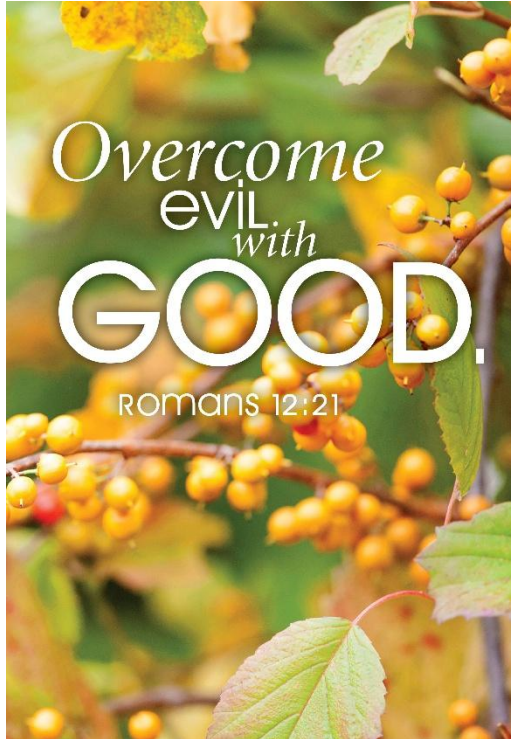


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# REDEMPTION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Fourth Sunday After Trinity



**WELCOME** To all of you who are visiting our service this morning, we extend a most cordial welcome in Jesus' name. It is our hope that you will feel at home in our midst and will be blessed by our message of Christ crucified and risen for the sins of the world.

If you are looking for a church home or would like to know more about our beliefs and practices, please see the pastor. He will be glad to visit with you at your convenience. Be sure to join us again.



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**Pre-Service Meditation:**

**Genesis 50:19-20a** <sup>19</sup> But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? <sup>20</sup> As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good,

**Prayer:** Dear Heavenly Father, we confess that we haven't forgiven others as we have been forgiven ourselves. Crush our hardened hearts that Your boundless love might flow through us. Teach us how to forgive; not just on the surface, but true forgiveness and fruits of faith that follow through. Show us to freely forgive, knowing that no matter the sin against us, You will work it out for our good. Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God now and forever, world without end. Amen.

# Service of the Word

Opening Hymn

**TLH 16 Blessed Jesus At Thy Word**

Invocation

**P** In the Name of the Father and of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

Confession and Absolution

**P**: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P**: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C**: **who made heaven and earth.**

**P**: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C**: **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

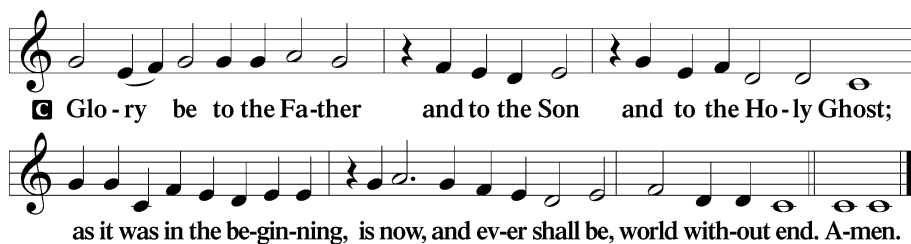
**P**: Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C**: **O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**P**: Upon this your confession, I, as a called servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

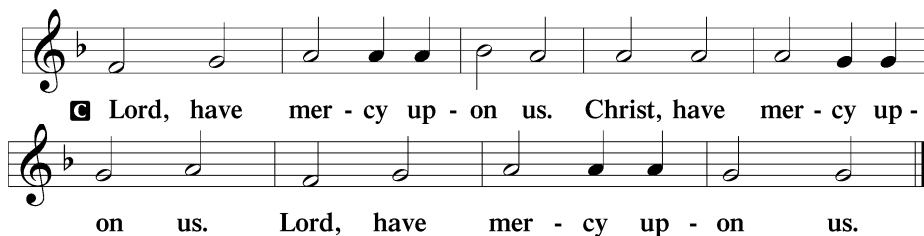
**C**: Amen.

## Gloria Patri TLH pg 6



**C** Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;  
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## Kyrie TLH pg 7



**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Hymn of Response: TLH 237

All Glory be to God on high, Who hath mankind befriended!  
To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended.  
God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall reign on earth  
again; Oh, thank Him for His goodness!

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And also with you.
- P** Let us pray. . . Lord Jesus Christ, in Your deep  
compassion You rescue us from whatever may hurt us.  
Teach us to love You above all things and to love our  
neighbors as ourselves; for You live and reign with the  
Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

## Epistle Lesson:

## Romans 12:14-21

<sup>14</sup> Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup>  
Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup> Live  
in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with  
the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. <sup>17</sup> Repay no one evil for

evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup>  
If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. <sup>19</sup>  
Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God,  
for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." <sup>20</sup>  
To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty,  
give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning  
coals on his head." <sup>21</sup> Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil  
with good.

## **Psalm of the Day**

## **Psalm 138 [Selected Verses]**

- P** I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;  
**C** Before the gods I sing Your praise;  
**P** On the day I called, You answered me;  
**C** My strength of soul You increased.  
**P** Though I walk in the midst of trouble, You preserve my life;  
**C** You stretch out Your hand against the wrath of my enemies,  
and Your right hand delivers me.  
**P** The LORD will fulfill His purpose for me;  
**C** Your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever.

## **Gospel Lesson**

## **Luke 6:36-42**

<sup>32</sup> Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful. <sup>37</sup> "Judge not, and  
you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be  
condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; <sup>38</sup> give, and it will be  
given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together,  
running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you  
use it will be measured back to you." <sup>39</sup> He also told them a parable:  
"Can a blind man lead a blind man? Will they not both fall into a pit?"  
<sup>40</sup> A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully  
trained will be like his teacher. <sup>41</sup> Why do you see the speck that is  
in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own  
eye? <sup>42</sup> How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me take out  
the speck that is in your eye,' when you yourself do not see the log  
that is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your

own eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the speck that is in your brother's eye.

## **Confession of Faith:**

## **Nicene Creed**

**☐** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Hymn:**                    **INSERT Awake, O Sleeper, Rise From Death**

## **Sermon**

## **Genesis 50:15-21**

<sup>15</sup> When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." <sup>16</sup> So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died: <sup>17</sup> 'Say to Joseph, "Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.'" And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. <sup>18</sup> His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." <sup>19</sup> But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? <sup>20</sup>

As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. <sup>21</sup> So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

## Forgiveness is the Best Policy

**Offertory:**

**Create in Me** 🎵🎵

Create in me a clean heart O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen

**Hymn**     **TLH 442 Lord of Glory Who Has Bought Us 1-3,5**

### Offering of Thankful Hearts

## Order of the Sacrament

**[P]:** The Lord be with you



**[P]:** Lift up your hearts

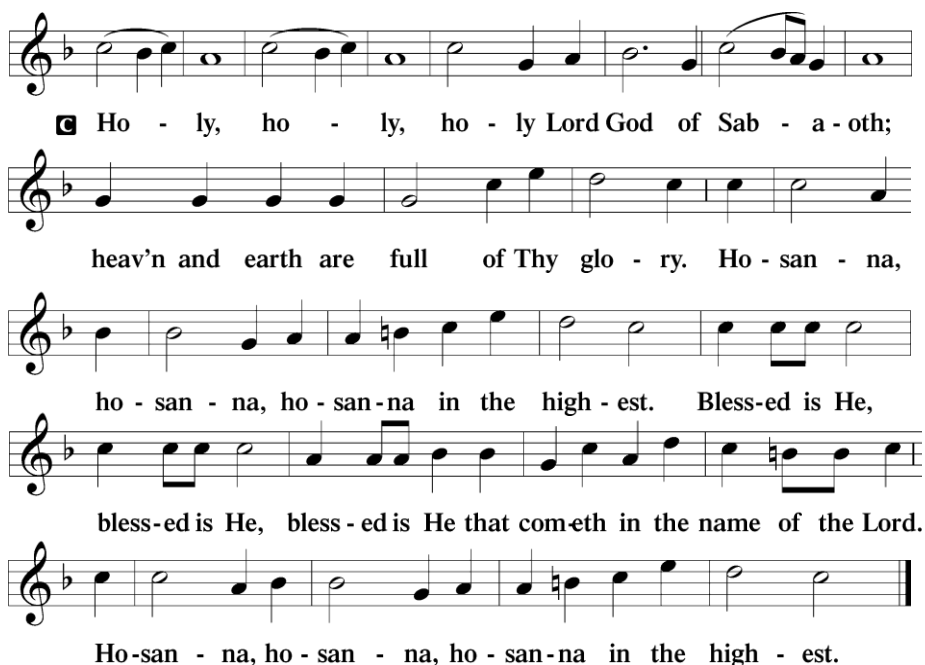


**[P]:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God



**[P]:** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. . . Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,  
bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.  
Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Lord's Prayer

**P** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.



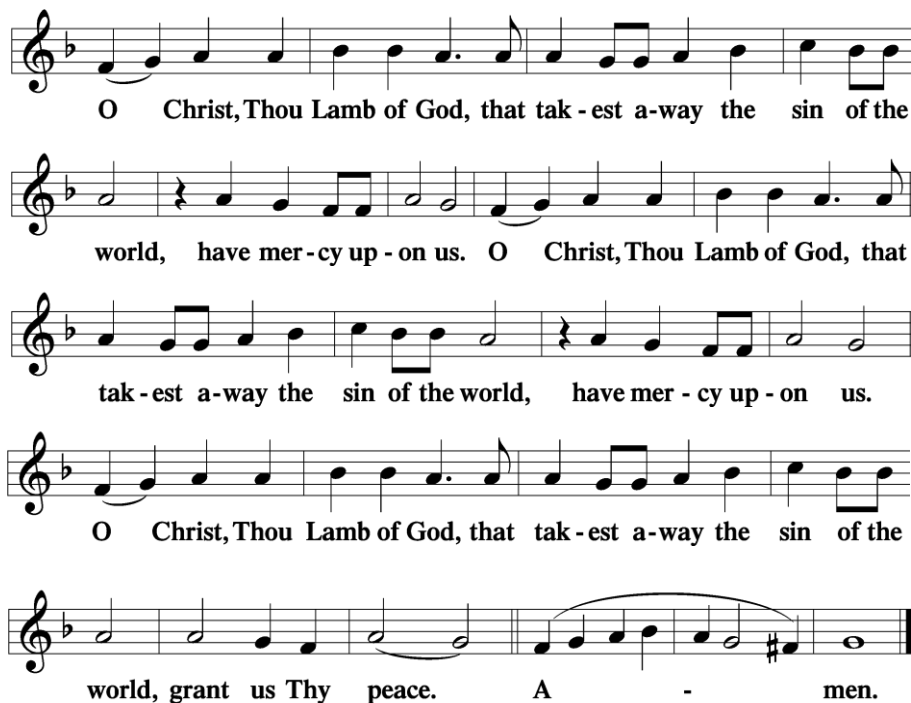
**C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the  
glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## Words of Institution

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.



## Agnus Dei



## Communion Note:

The Bible tells us to be "*perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.*" One way that unity is expressed is by communing together. For that reason, we ask that anyone who has not established this unity through membership in a CLC congregation, speak with the pastor or one of the Elders before coming to the Lord's Table. We hold this position in loving

obedience to the Word of God. This is by no means a judgment of anyone's Christian faith, sincerity, or standing before God.

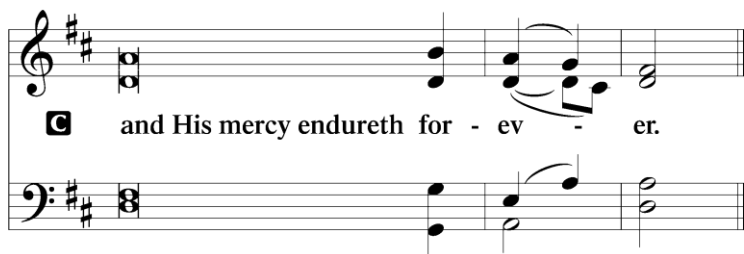
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### Nunc Dimittis

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -  
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
a light to light - en the Gen - tles and the glo - ry of Thy  
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

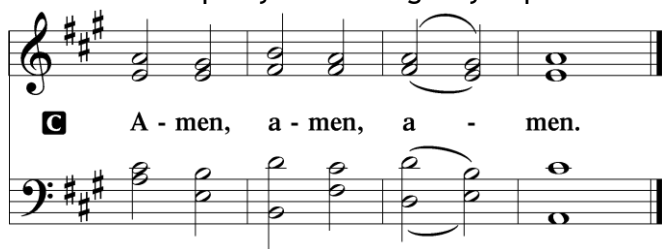
## Thanksgiving

**P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



## **Benediction**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



## **Hymn**

## **TLH 370 My Hope is Built on Nothing Less**

## **Silent Prayer**

## **Acknowledgments**

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## **Announcements**

## **Upcoming Events:**

- **Voters Meeting:** Our voters meeting will begin shortly after the potluck meal.
- **Potluck:** All are invited to join us for a potluck meal in the basement immediately following the service.

- **Vacation Bible School:** So far 29 kids have signed up for our Vacation Bible School. Continue to spread the word, registration is still open!

## **Call News:**

- Pastor Aaron Ude of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Rapid City, SD ***has returned the call*** to St Stephen Lutheran Church in Mt. View, CA
- Pastor Tom Naumann of Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, Madison Heights, MI, ***has received the call*** to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI.

## **Upcoming Schedule:**

Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup> Redemption Sunday Service at 9

Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup> Redemption Sunday Service at 9

Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> Redemption Sunday Service at 9