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Bells

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele by Johannes Brahms

Confession and Forgiveness

Please stand.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

- C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
- P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

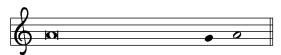
Gathering Hymn

O God Beyond All Praising (ELW 880)

Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

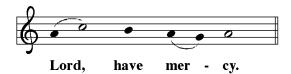


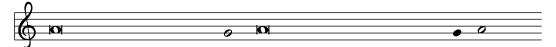
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



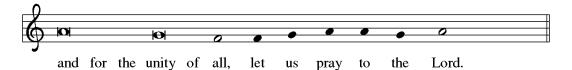


For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.

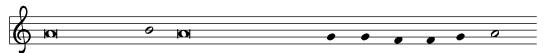




For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,







For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,





Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

Prayer of the Day

P: O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Please be seated.

HOLY BAPTISM

P: God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

I present Jameson for baptism.

P: As you bring your child to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with him among God's faithful people, bring him to the word of God and the holy supper, teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in his hands the holy scriptures, and nurture him in faith and prayer, so that your child may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

Mario and Caitlin, do you promise to help your child grow in the Christian faith and life?

R: I do.

P: Isai, Shad, and Melissa, do you promise to nurture Jameson in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

R: I do.

P: People of God, do you promise to support Jameson and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

C: We do.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

P: Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

R: I renounce them.

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirt born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended

into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: We give you thanks, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and you created heaven and earth. By the gift of water you nourish and sustain us and all living things.

C: Blessed be God now and forever.

P: By the waters of the flood you condemned the wicked and saved those whom you had chosen, Noah and his family. You led Israel by the pillar of cloud and fire through the sea, out of slavery into the freedom of the promised land.

C: Blessed be God now and forever.

P: In the waters of the Jordan your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Spirit. By the baptism of his own death and resurrection your beloved Son has set us free from the bondage to sin and death, and has opened the way to the joy and freedom of everlasting life. He made water a sign of the kingdom and of cleansing and rebirth. In obedience to his command, we make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Blessed be God now and forever.

P: Pour out your Holy Spirit, so that those who are here baptized may be given new life. Wash away the sin of all those who are cleansed by this water and bring them forth as inheritors of your glorious kingdom.

To you be given praise and honor and worship through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BAPTISM

P: Jameson, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

P: Sustain Jameson with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C: Amen

P: Jameson, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

C: Amen.

WELCOME

P: Jesus said, I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will have the light of life. Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing god's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

First Reading: Isaiah 65:1-9

L: ¹I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, "Here I am, here I am," to a nation that did not call on my name. ²I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; ³a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; ⁴who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; ⁵who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. ⁶See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps ⁷their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the LORD; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. ⁸Thus says the LORD: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, "Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it," so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. ⁹I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 22



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¹⁹But you, O LORD, be not | far away;

O my help, hasten | to my aid.

²⁰Deliver me | from the sword,

my life from the power | of the dog.

²¹Save me from the lion's mouth!

From the horns of wild bulls you have | rescued me.

²²I will declare your name to my people;

in the midst of the assembly | I will praise you. R

²³You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's | line, give glory.

Stand in awe of the LORD, all you off- | spring of Israel.

²⁴For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the LORD's face hidden from them;

but when they cry out, | the LORD hears them.

²⁵From you comes my praise in the | great assembly;

I will perform my vows in the sight of those who | fear the LORD.

²⁶The poor shall eat | and be satisfied,

Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts $\$ live forever! $\$ R

²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn | to the LORD; all the families of nations shall bow | before God.

²⁸For dominion belongs | to the LORD, who rules o- | ver the nations. R

Second Reading: Galatians 3:23-29

L[:] ²³Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸There is no

longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

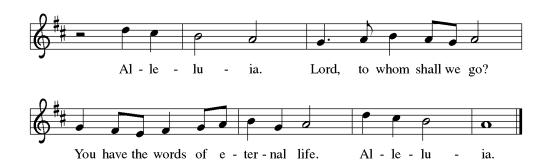
The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Refrain:



GOSPEL: Luke 8:26-39

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

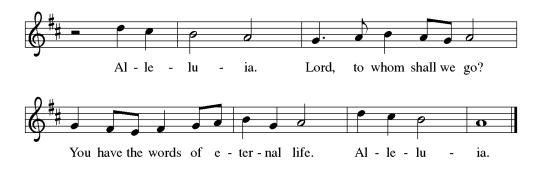
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: [Jesus said,] ¹²"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Refrain:



Please be seated.

Youth Sermon Pastor Caleb Jeffers

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Please stand.

Hymn of the Day

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness (ELW 843)

Please be seated.

Prayers of Intercession

A: Holy God, you hear the cries of those who seek you. Equip your church with evangelists who reveal the continuous call of your outstretched hands and your promises of a home in you. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: You hear the cries of the earth. Restore places where land, air, and waterways have been harmed. Guide us to develop and implement sources of energy and food production that do not destroy the earth. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: You hear the cries of those who are marginalized or cast out. On this Juneteenth observance, guide us continually toward the end of oppression in all its forms, especially white supremacy. Bring true freedom and human flourishing to all your beloved children. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: You hear the cries of those who suffer. Come to the aid of all who are homeless, naked, hungry, and sick. Bring peace to any experiencing mental illness, that they can clearly recognize your loving presence. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: You hear the cries of those who celebrate and those who grieve on this Father's Day. Nurture mutual love and tender care in all relationships. Comfort those for whom this day brings sadness or longing. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, we remember your saints for their strong faith and witness, even unto death (*especially the victims from Uvalde*). Console grieving families. Stir up in us the resolve to end the sin hatred and apathy toward human life and help us pursue the courageous path of justice. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Lord of mercy we pray for the people of Ukraine. We ask for a speedy end to the conflict. We pray for those that have lost loved ones. May your mercy surround them. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace, with special care in our hearts for Muriel Leafstedt, Ruth Haas, Chris Gates, Gloria Boenisch, Ernie Clauss, Beverly R., Lauren, Cheri and Kenny Knippa, Albert Tietze, Marvin Echtle, Cheryl Miller, Malton Luddeke, Lisa Warren, Laura Baker, Sharon Blackburn, Dora Esquivel and Carol Wendel. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.

C: Amen.

Please stand.

Peace

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

C: And also with you. (Please greet those nearest you with these or similar words: "Peace be with you.")

Please be seated.

Offering

Offertory

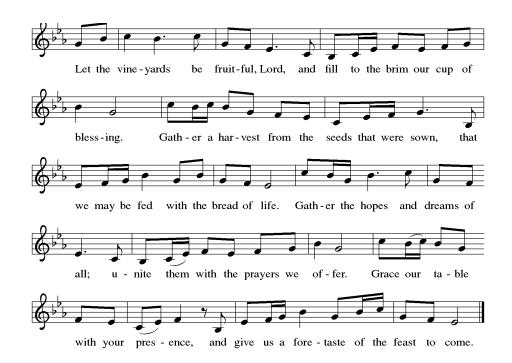
Sicut cervus by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina St. John's Choir

As the deer long for the springs of water, so my soul longs for you, oh God.

Please stand.

Offertory Response

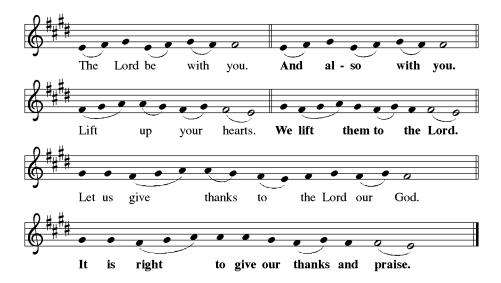
Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful (ELW 184)



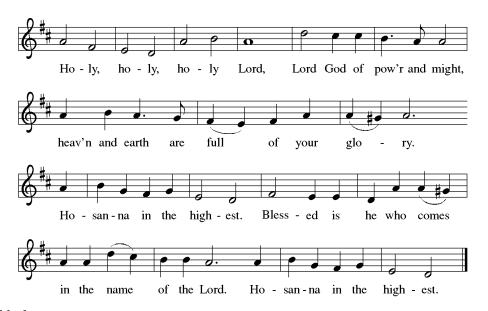
Offering Prayer

A: Let us pray. Blessed are you, O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving



P: It is . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



P: You are indeed holy . . .

For as often as we eat of the

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



P: Remembering . . . To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

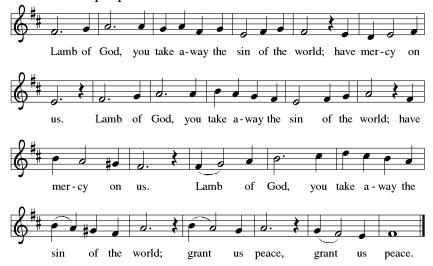


LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: 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.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

P: When we eat this bread we share in the body of Christ. When we drink this cup we share in the blood of Christ. These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Welcome to the table of the Lord.



Please be seated.

Hymns During Holy Communion

Soul, Adorn Yourself With Gladness (*ELW* 488) Day by Day (*ELW* 790)

Holy Communion

Communion Prayer

A: Let us pray. Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing (ELW 886)

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen. Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

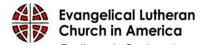
Wer nur den lieben Gott lässt walten (BWV 642) by J.S. Bach

Whoever lets only the dear God reign and hopes in him at all times, he will preserve in a marvelous way in every cross and sadness.

Whoever trusts in almighty God has not built upon sand.

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