



WELCOME TO
ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH!

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You are fairer than the sons of men; Grace is poured upon Your lips.
Psalm 45:2a

A Service of Word and Sacrament

TLH (hymns 1-660) is the RED book, WS (hymns 701-800) is the TAN book
(If you have difficulty standing, please feel free to remain seated as needed)

VISITORS: Because Scripture tells us that those who share in the “one bread” are “one body” and then warns against condoning “divisions” in the fellowship, we kindly ask those who are not in fellowship with the CLC first meet with the pastor before communing at the altar. We want to share in this blessing with you and to do so on the basis of a united faith and understanding of the Sacrament. The pastor would be happy to meet with you to explain this practice. You can read more about our practice of “close communion” in the blue trifold pamphlet in the entry way. Thank you for your understanding 1 Cor. 1:10; 10:16-17; 11:18-29

Preservice Devotion: Psalm 45, forepart of TLH p.133

OPENING HYMN

TLH 657 (red hymnal)

Beautiful Savior

INVOCATION

Matthew 28:19

Minister (M) In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



Congreg. (C) A - - men

M Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord.



C Who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

M I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.



C And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

Psalm 32:5

C O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

M 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. *John 20:19-23*



C A - - - men

INTROIT

Ps 84:1-2, 9, 11 (antiphon: Ps 84:4)

M How lovely is Your tabernacle, O Lord of hosts!

C **Blessed are those who dwell in Your house; They will still be praising You.**

M My soul longs, yes, even faints For the courts of the Lord;

C **Blessed are those who dwell in Your house; They will still be praising You.**

M My heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.

C **Blessed are those who dwell in Your house; They will still be praising You.**

M O God, behold our shield, And look upon the face of Your anointed.

C **Blessed are those who dwell in Your house; They will still be praising You.**

M For the Lord God is a sun and shield; The Lord will give grace and glory;

C **Blessed are those who dwell in Your house; They will still be praising You.**

M No good thing will He withhold From those who walk uprightly.

C **Glory be to God...**

GLORIA PATRI ~ Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit



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 ~ Lord Have Mercy

Mark 10:47

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

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS ~ Glory to God in the Highest

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -
on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

M The Lord be with you.

Luke 1:28

C **And also with you.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

M Let us pray ... one God, now and forever,

C A - - - men.

FIRST LESSON

Deuteronomy 34:1–12

¹ Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is across from Jericho. And the Lord showed him all the land of Gilead as far as Dan, ² all Naphtali and the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, ³ the South, and the plain of the Valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. ⁴ Then the Lord said to him, “This *is* the land of which I swore to give Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, saying, ‘I will give it to your descendants.’ I have caused you to see *it* with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.”

⁵ So Moses the servant of the Lord died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the Lord. ⁶ And He buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth Peor; but no one knows his grave to this day. ⁷ Moses *was* one hundred and twenty years old when he died. His eyes were not dim nor his natural vigor diminished. ⁸ And the children of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. So the days of weeping *and* mourning for Moses ended.

⁹ Now Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him; so the children of Israel heeded him, and did as the Lord had commanded Moses.

¹⁰ But since then there has not arisen in Israel a prophet like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face, ¹¹ in all the signs and wonders which the Lord sent him to do in the land of Egypt, before Pharaoh, before all his servants, and in all his land, ¹² and by all that mighty power and all the great terror which Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 3:1–6

¹ Therefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our confession, Christ Jesus, ² who was faithful to Him who appointed Him, as Moses also *was faithful* in all His house. ³ For this One has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses, inasmuch as He who built the house has more honor than the house. ⁴ For every house is built by someone, but He who built all things *is* God. ⁵ And Moses indeed *was faithful* in all His house as a servant, for a testimony of those things which would be spoken *afterward*, ⁶ but Christ as a Son over His own house, whose house we are if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm to the end.

GRADUAL

Ps. 117:1-2a; 96:8

Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles! Laud Him, all you peoples! For His merciful kindness is great toward us, And the truth of the Lord endures forever. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Give to the Lord the glory due His name; Bring an offering, and come into His courts. Hallelujah!



C Halle - lu - jah! Halle-lu-jah! Halle-lu - - jah!

GOSPEL LESSON *(rise)*

M And this is eternal life, that we know the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom He has sent.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord!

Luke 9:28–36

²⁸ Now it came to pass, about eight days after these sayings, that He took Peter, John, and James and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹ As He prayed, the appearance of His face was altered, and His robe *became white and glistening.* ³⁰ And behold, two men talked with Him, who were Moses and Elijah, ³¹ who appeared in glory and spoke of His decease which He was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³² But Peter and those with him were heavy with sleep; and when they were fully awake, they saw His glory and the two men who stood with Him. ³³ Then it happened, as they were parting from Him, *that* Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; and let us make three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah”—not knowing what he said.

³⁴ While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were fearful as they entered the cloud. ³⁵ And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is My beloved Son. Hear Him!” ³⁶ When the voice had ceased, Jesus was found alone. But they kept quiet, and told no one in those days any of the things they had seen.

M These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing, we may have life in His name.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

CREED ~

The Nicene Creed

C 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 on 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.

CHURCH OFFICER INSTALLATIONS

HYMN

WS 720 (tan hymnal)

Oh, Wondrous Type! Oh, Vision Fair

SERMON ~ based on the Gospel lesson

Luke 9:28–36
Worship Is All About Jesus

M The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. *Philippians 4:7*



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -



HYMN

TLH 135 (red hymnal)

Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here

GATHERING OF OUR THANK OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray...

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!



A Service of the Sacrament



M The Lord be with you.



C **And with thy spir - it.**

M Lift up your hearts.



C **We lift them up un-to the Lord**

M Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

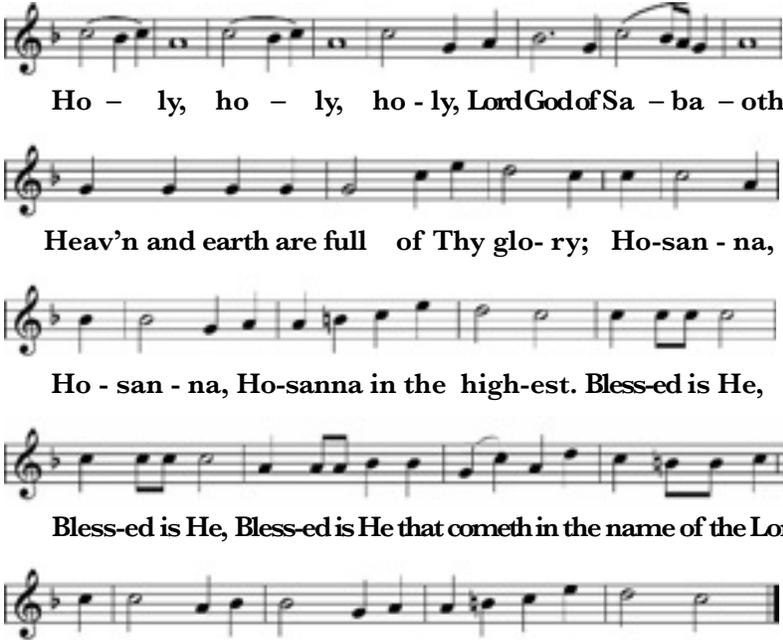


C **It is meet and right so to do.**

M It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who at His transfiguration revealed His glory to His disciples that they might be strengthened to proclaim His cross and resurrection and with all the faithful look forward to the glory of life everlasting. 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 ~ Holy, Holy, Holy

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of Sa - ba - oth;
Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo- ry; Ho-san - na,
Ho - san - na, Ho-sanna in the high-est. Bless-ed is He,
Bless-ed is He, Bless-ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Ho-san - na, Ho-san- na, Ho-san-na in the high-est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Matt. 26, Mk 14, Lk 22, 1 Cor. 11

M Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and, when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples saying, 'Take, eat. This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.' In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, 'Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.'

PAX DOMINI

John 20:19

M The peace of the Lord be with you always!



♩ A - - - - - men.

AGNUS DEI ~ Lamb of God

John 1:29

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.



DISTRIBUTION



NUNC DIMITTIS ~ Now Let Us Depart (Song of Simeon)

Luke 2:29-32

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-tiles 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 withoutend. A-men.

THANKSGIVING

Psalms 107:1

M Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good

and His mercy endureth for-ev-er.

M Let us pray ... one God, now and forever.



C A - - - men.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

M 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.



C A - men, A - men, A - - men.

CLOSING HYMN

TLH 296:2,4 (red hymnal)

Speak, O Lord, Thy Servant Heareth

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Welcome! We wish a warm welcome to our guests this morning. It is our mission to share the good news that God gave His only Son that whoever believes in Him has eternal life (John 3:16-17). May that good news go with you. Feel free to sign our guest book in the entry way. For more information about our church see the visitor comment cards and brochures in the entry way or visit our website at AscensionBatavia.org. We hope to see you again!

Participating in this Service of the Word

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