

As We Gather

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This Is My Body... This Is My Blood – Those who take part in the Lord's Supper consume bread and wine. (1Corinthian 10:17; 11:27ff). But more than that, they also receive a miracle in the bread and wine, for therein Christ places His true Body and true Blood (1Corinthians 10:16). He gives them to us as His personal assurance of the forgiveness of our sins. *It is the request of our congregation that anyone who wishes to commune with us share this faith.* As His Body and Blood can be taken to one's own judgment (1Corinthians 11:29), St. Paul urges each communicant "examine yourself" before participating in the Meal. By his admonition, therefore, we in turn urge you to ask yourself:

1. Do I believe that I am a sinner, admit my sins, and am I truly sorry for them?
2. Do I believe that Jesus, by His death in my place, offers me forgiveness for all my sins?
3. Do I believe that I receive the Body and Blood of Jesus in, with, and under the bread and wine? (Not merely symbolically present)
4. Will I, with a grateful heart, and in loving obedience, strive with the Spirit's help to change my sinful attitudes, habits, and actions so I may more fully live for my Savior?

If you need or desire to know more about Holy Communion, please talk to the pastor before communing. Follow the directions of the ushers when it is time to commune.

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“Jump for Joy” series

“Discovering Your Joy” is sometimes difficult. Sometimes our joy seems to fade. Sometimes we face trials that have suffering and loss. Sometimes we don’t remember the last time we were filled with zeal. Jesus not only gives us gladness, but makes a reason to leap all through life.

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Hymn

“How Great Thou Art”

LSB 801

1 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy pow’r throughout the universe displayed; **Refrain**

**Refrain Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!**

2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; **Refrain**

3 But when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in—
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin; **Refrain**

4 When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim: “My God, how great Thou art!” **Refrain**

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Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Confession

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for Self-Examination

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your Holy Name. Amen.

Absolution

Prayer

Old Testament Psalm 30:1-12

R The Old Testament Reading is from Psalm 30.

I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up and have not let my foes rejoice over me. O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me. O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol; you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit. Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name.

For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning. As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved." By your favor, O LORD, you made my mountain stand strong; you hid your face; I was dismayed. To you, O LORD, I cry, and to the Lord I plead for mercy: "What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness? Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me! O LORD, be my helper!" You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness, that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent.

O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Solo 8 am

“Amazing Grace”

Nancy Berryhill

Epistle
1 Peter 5:6-11

R The Epistle is from First Peter, chapter five.

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel
John 16:16-22

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter
C Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] “A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me.” So some of his disciples said to one another, “What is this that he says to us, ‘A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me’; and, ‘because I am going to the Father’?” So they were saying, “What does he mean by ‘a little while’? We do not know what he is talking about.” Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, “Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, ‘A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me’? Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Children’s
Message

1 Joyful, joyful we adore Thee,
 God of glory, Lord of love!
 Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee,
 Praising Thee, their sun above.
 Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
 Drive the gloom of doubt away.
 Giver of immortal gladness,
 Fill us with the light of day.

2 All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
 Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,
 Stars and angels sing around Thee,
 Center of unbroken praise.
 Field and forest, vale and mountain,
 Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
 Chanting bird, and flowing fountain
 Call us to rejoice in Thee.

Please stand 3 Thou art giving and forgiving,
 Ever blessing, ever blest,
 Wellspring of the joy of living,
 Ocean-depth of happy rest!
 Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
 Fountainhead of love divine:
 Joyful, we Thy heav'n inherit!
 Joyful, we by grace are Thine!

Sermon

"Discovering Joy"

Nicene Creed

All 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.

Prayer

Lord's Prayer

All 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.

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Lord's Supper

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Benediction

Closing Hymn

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

LSB 791

- 1 All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
Him serve with mirth, His praise forthtell;
Come ye before Him and rejoice.
- 2 Know that the Lord is God indeed;
Without our aid He did us make.
We are His folk, He doth us feed,
And for His sheep He doth us take.

3 O enter then His gates with praise;
 Approach with joy His courts unto.
 Praise, laud, and bless His name always,
 For it is seemly so to do.

4 For why? The Lord our God is good:
 His mercy is forever sure.
 His truth at all times firmly stood
 And shall from age to age endure.

Please stand 5 To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
 The God whom heav'n and earth adore,
 From us and from the angel host
 Be praise and glory evermore.
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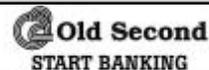
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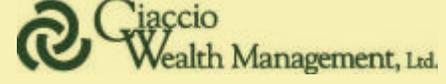
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