Early & Late Service Order of Worship Divine Service Setting Four

As We Gather Rebellious generations reject the prophets of God. Why do these servants of the Lord not simply give up? God's whisper repeatedly urges Elijah to continue prophesying. Jesus, the ultimate Prophet, tirelessly strives to prophesy divine judgment, justice, and grace. He dares not camouflage the cost of true discipleship. Rejection is sure to season the lives of faithful people. Yet we have an Encourager. The Holy Spirit curbs the behaviors of our flesh and enables us to persevere with His Good gifts.

Prelude Prelude in G major, BWV 568

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Confession and Absolution

Please stand as you are able

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

Invocation *Matthew 28:19b; [18:20] LSB 203*

 ${\bf P}$ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Opening Sentences

Romans 10:15b, 18b; Isaiah 52:7b

- P How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news,
- who publish peace and bring good news of salvation.
- P Their voice has gone out to all the earth,
- and their words to the ends of the world.

Opening Hymn Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise LSB 802

Exhortation *Psalm 124:8; Psalm 130:3–4; Luke 18:13 LSB 203*

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

- who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- But with You there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Please kneel as you are able

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

LSB 203

P Together we confess:

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Absolution

[John 20:19-23] LSB 203

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Please stand as you are able

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 85:8-10, 13; antiphon: v. 7

- P Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation.
- Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly.
- P Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land.
- Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.
- P Righteousness will go before him and make his footsteps a way.

- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation.







We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

P Let us pray. Lord of all power and might, author and giver of all good things, graft into our hearts the love of Your name and nourish us with all goodness that we may love and serve our neighbor; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated

Old Testament

1 Kings 19:9b-21

A The Old Testament Lesson for the Third Sunday after Pentecost comes from First Kings, chapter nineteen.

Behold, the word of the LORD came to [Elijah], and he said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁰He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." 11And he said, "Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD." And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. ¹²And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. ¹³And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁴He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." 15 And the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. ¹⁶And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abelmeholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. ¹⁷And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. ¹⁸Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

¹⁹So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him. ²⁰And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." And he said to him, "Go back again, for what have I done to you?" ²¹And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the yokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalmody

When in the Night I Meditate

Psalm 16 Tune: LSB 733

- 1 When in the night I meditate on mercies multiplied, my grateful heart inspires my tongue to bless the Lord, my Guide.
- 2 Forever in my thought the LORD before my face shall stand; secure, unmoved, I shall remain, with Him at my right hand.
- 3 My inmost being thrills with joy and gladness fills my breast; because on Him my trust is stayed, my flesh in hope shall rest.
- 4 I know that I shall not be left forgotten in the grave, and from corruption, Thou, O LORD, Thy holy one will save.
- 5 The path of life Thou showest me; of joy a boundless store is ever found at Thy right hand, and pleasures evermore.

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Galatians 5:1, 13–25

Epistle

A The Epistle is from Galatians, chapter five.

¹For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery....

¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another.

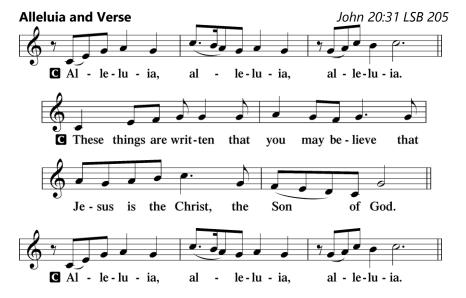
¹⁶But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²²But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able



Holy Gospel Luke 9:51–62

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the ninth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

⁵¹When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for him. ⁵³But the people did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶And they went on to another village.

⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." ⁵⁹To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father." ⁶⁰And Jesus said to him, "Leave the dead to bury their own dead. But as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." ⁶¹Yet another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home." ⁶²Jesus said to him, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated

Children's Message

Please stand as you are able

Hymn of the Day "Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake LSB 688

Please be seated

Sermon

Silence for reflection

Please stand as you are able

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.

Prayer of the Church

1 Timothy 2:1-4

After each petition:

- **P** Lord, in Your mercy.
- Hear our prayer.
- Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.
- Amen.

Offering

During this time, please fill out and pass the blue Friendship Register. Please indicate if you plan to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion and whether you are a member or visitor. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to join the family of believers here at Christ the Redeemer.

Voluntary O Christ, Who Called the Twelve Faye López (b. 1955)

Please stand as you are able

Offertory Hymn O Blessed Spring LSB 595

Service of the Sacrament

The Lord's Supper is celebrated in the confession that we receive not just bread and wine but the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which we eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Our Lord invites to His table those who have faith in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to love and forgive as He loves and forgives us.

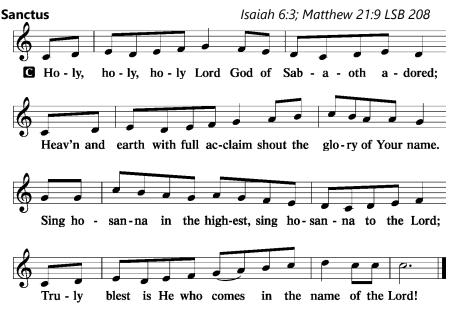
Holy Communion also signifies a unity of faith and belief with those who gather at this altar. Baptized Christians who share the confession of the Lutheran church are welcome at the Lord's Table. If you are unsure what you believe or have questions, we invite you to speak with the Elder on duty or the Pastor before the service. Grape juice is available in the center circle of the individual cup trays.

Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 136 LSB 208

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **G** We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- (It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 209

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13 LSB 209

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to 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.

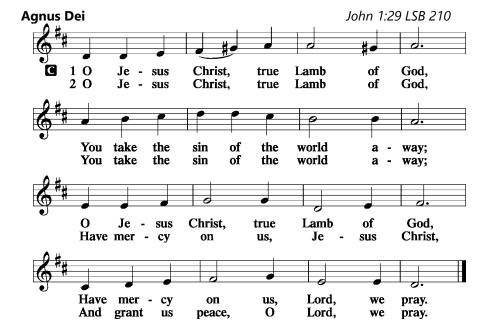
The Words of Our Lord Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24 LSB 209 P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini John 20:19 LSB 209

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.



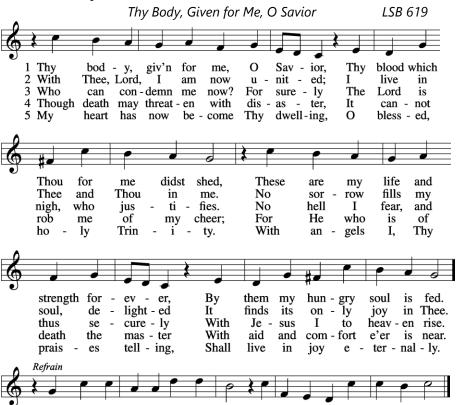
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Voluntary

8:15 service Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise John Carter
Daphnee Brian, piano (b. 1930)

10:45 service Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
Michael Burkhardt (b. 1957)

Distribution Hymns



Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high-est good!

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Please stand as you are able

P Now may this body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace.

Amen.





Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus and Benediction Psalm 103:1, Numbers 6:23-27 LSB 212

P Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn Sent Forth by God's Blessing LSB 643

Announcements

P Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude Sent Forth by God's Blessing John Behnke

(b. 1953)

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Music Notes for June 29, 2025 - Third Sunday after Pentecost

The Prelude for the Third Sunday after Pentecost is *Prelude in G major*, BWV 568, by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750). This bright, ebullient work, which likely dates to an early period of Bach's compositional output, features flowing scalar passages and virtuosic pedal solos.

The Voluntary is a piano arrangement of the hymn tune *Terra Beata* by American composer and pianist Faye López (b. 1955). Drawing inspiration from the famous *Gymnopédie No. 1* for piano by French composer Erik Satie (1866-1925), López utilizes the rich harmonic language of French Impressionist music for her setting of this beautiful hymn tune. *Terra Beata*, Latin for "blessed earth," is often associated with the hymn "This is My Father's World." This Sunday, we will sing this tune to the text "O Christ, Who Called the Twelve" (LSB 856), a wonderful twentieth-century hymn that reminds us that we, like the first disciples, are called by Christ to follow Him out into the world to live lives of love and service toward others.

The Communion Voluntary for the 8:15 service is a reflective piano setting of "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" (LSB 802) by American composer John Carter (b. 1930). This piece will be played by CTR member Daphnee Brian.

The Communion Voluntary for the 10:45 service is an organ improvisation on "Immortal, Invisible" by American composer and organist Michael Burkhardt (b. 1957). Dr. Burkhardt's jaunty setting of this beloved hymn incorporates thematic material from *Gloria* by the Italian Baroque composer Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741).

The Postlude is a spirited arrangement of the Closing Hymn "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" (LSB 643) by American composer and organist John Behnke. Dr. Behnke, who serves as Minister of Music at Lakeside Lutheran Church in Venice, Florida, is Professor Emeritus of Music at Concordia University Wisconsin.