

LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR

November 24, 2024 Divine Service, Setting Four LSB 203 Rev. Don McKillop, Vacancy Pastor Confession and Absolution



506 Glory Be to God the Father 1 Glo-ry God the Fa - ther, Glo be be to _ ry to 2 Glo-ry Washed be to Him who loved us. us from each 3 Glo-ry King Glo to the of an - gels, the ry to -4 Glo-ry, bless - ing, praise ter - nal! Thus the choir of e -Glo - ry God the Son. Spir God it: be to the Glo - ry spot and stain; be to Him who bought us, Church's King, Glo - ry the King of to na - tions; Hon - or, do min - ion! an - gels sings; rich - es, pow'r, _ Great Je _ ho _ vah, Three in One! Glo - ry, Made kings with Him reign! Glo - ry, us to Glo - ry, Glo - ry, Heav'n and earth, your bring! prais es Thus brings. its praise tion cre a θ glo - ry While e - ter - nal а ges run! glo - ry То the Lamb that once was slain! glo То the King sing! glo - ry of ry King Glo the of kings! glo - ry, ry to Tune: Walter G. Whinfield, 1865–1919 | Text and tune: Public doma Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-89

Please stand.

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

Invocation

 \blacksquare In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Exhortation

- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.

- **P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- Implies 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.

Confession of Sins

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

Prayer for Forgiveness

Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 39:4–5a, 7–8, 12a; antiphon: 2 Peter 3:13b NIV

We are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness.

O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure of my days; let me know how fleeting I am!

Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths,

and my lifetime is as nothing before you.

And now, O Lord, for what do I wait?

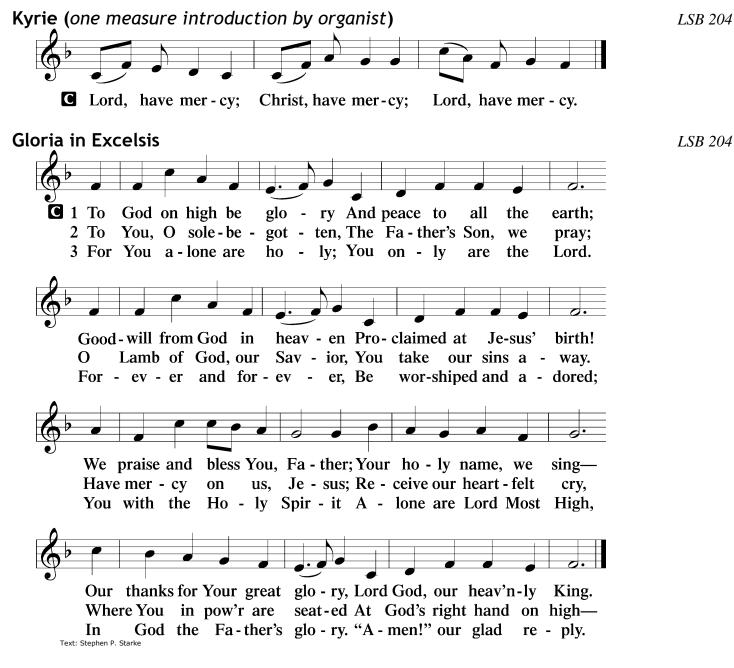
My hope is in you.

Deliver me from all my transgressions. Do not make me the scorn of the fool!

- Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry;
- hold not your peace at my tears!
- 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.

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



You may be seated.

Children's Sermon

Old Testament Reading

⁴"Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law will go out from me, and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait. ⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Jude 20–25

²⁰But you, beloved, build yourselves up in your most holy faith; pray in the Holy Spirit; ²¹keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. ²²And have mercy on those who doubt; ²³save others by snatching them out of the fire; to others show mercy with fear, hating even the garment stained by the flesh.

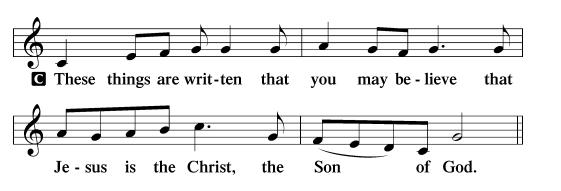
²⁴Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, ²⁵to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand.





Alleluia



Holy Gospel

Mark 13:24–37

Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁴[Jesus said:] "In those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, ²⁵and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. ²⁶And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. ²⁷And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

²⁸"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. ²⁹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. ³¹Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³²"But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. ³⁵Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the cock crows, or in the morning— ³⁶lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. ³⁷And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth chapter.

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

You may be seated for our sermon hymn.

663 Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray 1 Rise. to watch and pray; From your sleep a - wak my soul. dev - il's snares Lest 2 Watch a gainst the a - sleep he find the wick - ed world With 3 Watch! Let not its lies de - feat 4 Watch a - gainst your-self, my soul, with grace you tri Lest while watch-ing, То 5 But al - so pray the Lord un - ceas vil Un en! Be by the e day a - wares o'er not you; For in - deed no pains he spares To de - ceive and you Lest with bold de - cep tions hurled It be - tray and fle; Let not self your thoughts con - trol Nor God's mer - cy day, Strength and faith in ing. God pro-tects you day by For Well en: the we know, Is tak foe, а blind you. Sa - tan's prey Oft are they Who se cheat you. Watch and see Lest there be Faith - less your fle. Pride and Lurk with - in, sti sin All creas - ing, So that still Mind and will Shall u -While the saints are sleep har vest reap ing ing. cure are sleep ing And no watch are keep ing. friends to charm you, Who but seek to harm you. hopes shat Heed not when they flat to ter; ter. nite to serve Him And Text: Johann Burkhard Freystein, 1671-1718; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78, alt. Tune: Hundert . . . geistlicher Arien, 1694, Dresden, alt. Text and tune: Public domain for - ev - er Him. love

Sermon

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Prayer of the Church Prayer Response

A Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

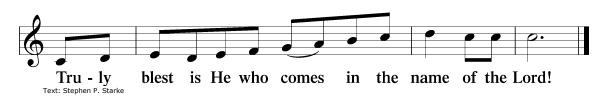
Offering



Preface

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** 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 saying:

Sanctus Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored; Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name. Sing ho - san - na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;



Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

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.

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The Words of Our Lord

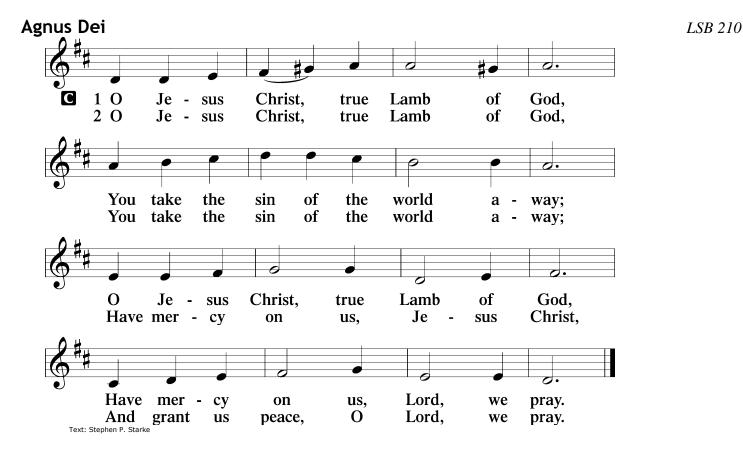
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.



You may be seated.

Distribution

611 Chief of Sinners Though I Be 1 Chief of though Ι shed His sin - ners be, Je sus 2 Oh. the height of Je sus' love, High er than the -3 On ly Je - sus Balm the can im - part to heal 4 Chief Christ of sin - ners though Ι be, is all in 5 O Sav - ior, help af - ford By Your Spir - it my blood for Died that Ι might live high, me, on heav'ns a - bove, the Deep - er depths of sea, than wound - ed Peace that heart, flows from sin for - giv'n, all me; All my wants Him are known, to to and Your Word! When my way - ward heart would stray, die. Lives that Ι might nev the branch er As is Last - ing as e ter ni - ty! Love that found melifts Faith Jov that the soul to heav'n, and hope to All my sor - rows are His own. He sus tains the Keep me in the row way; Grace in time of nar -His, to the vine, Ι am and He is mine. won - drous thought! Found me when Ι sought Him not. walk with God the way that E - noch trod. In with Him from hid den life Safe earth - ly strife. need sup ply While Ι live and when Ι die. Text: William McComb, 1793–1873, alt. Tune: Richard Redhead, 1820–1901 Text and tune: Public domain

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Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; 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

- **A** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Benediction

- The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
- **C** Amen.

730 What Is the World to Me the world to With all 1 What is its vaunt - ed plea me sure 2 The world seeks to And hon-ored by be praised the might У 3 The world seeks af - ter wealth And all that mam - mon of fers 4 What is the world to me! My Je - sus is my trea sure, When You, and You a - lone, Lord Je - sus, trea - sure! are my Yet nev - er once re - flects That are frail and flight - y. they Yet Though gold should fill cof - fers. is con - tent its nev - er life, my health, my wealth, My friend, my love, my My plea - sure, You dear - est Lord, My soul's de - light shall be; on - ly, But what Ι tru - ly prize A - bove all things is He, have high - er good, Con - tent with it I'll be: Ι a My crown, my all, My bliss e ter - nal ly. joy, my -0 You are my peace, my rest. What is the world to me! My a - lone. What Je - sus, He is the world me! to my wealth. My Je - sus What is the world me! is to What Once more, then, Ι de - clare: is the world to me! Text: Georg Michael Pfefferkorn, 1645-1732; tr. August Crull, 1845-1923, alt. Tune: Ahasverus Fritsch, 1629-1701 Text and tune: Public domain

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