



## PRELUDE

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*We stand.*

### OPENING HYMN

“Thy Strong Word”

578

*St. 1-3, 5*

### CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

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**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**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.

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, and call upon Him in prayer and praise, 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.

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

**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.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord. (refrain)

**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord. (refrain)

**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord. (refrain)

**A** Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord. (refrain)

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



**C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
 2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!  
 O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
 For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



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 & PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray,

**C** **O God, You have prepared for those who love You such good things as surpass our understanding. Cast out all sins and evil desires from us, and pour into our hearts Your Holy Spirit to guide us into all blessedness; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*We sit.*

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

**Isaiah 65:1-9**

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

Pew Bible pg. 792

**C** Thanks be to God.

## **PSALM**

**Psalm 3**

**L** O LORD, how many are my foes! Many are rising against me;

**C** **many are saying of my soul, there is no salvation for him in God.**

**L** But you, O LORD, are a shield about me, my glory, and the lifter of my head.

**C** **I cried aloud to the LORD, and he answered me from his holy hill.**

**L** I lay down and slept; I woke again, for the LORD sustained me.

**C** **I will not be afraid of many thousands of people who have set themselves against me all around.**

**L** Arise, O LORD! Save me, O my God! For you strike all my enemies on the cheek; you break the teeth of the wicked.

**C** **Salvation belongs to the LORD; your blessing be on your people!**

## **EPISTLE READING**

**Galatians 3:23-4:7**

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

Pew Bible pg. 1237

**C** Thanks be to God.

**VERSE**



**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



**C** These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**HOLY GOSPEL**

**Luke 8:26-39**

Pew Bible pg. 1100

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 8<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

*After the Gospel is read:*

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*We sit.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**“God Loved the World So That He Gave”**

**571**

**SERMON** “ “Jesus Breaks the Power of Evil” Pastor Paul Nelson

**HYMN**

**“Just as I Am, without One Plea”**

**570**

*We stand.*

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

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## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*We sit.*

## **OFFERING**

*We stand.*

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

## **CONCLUDING COLLECT**

### **FAREWELL & GODSPEED**      To Corey & Jolleen Christians

**P** Beloved in the Lord. Corey Christians will move to St. Louis to begin his studies at Concordia Seminary, to prepare him for a calling as a pastor in our Church. Among us here at Concordia, he and Jolleen have been nurtured through the Word and Sacraments. They have been active participants and leaders during their time here. As they prepare to leave our community, we send them off with prayers and encouragement, and this word of God

**C** **I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.**

Philippians 1:3-6

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray: Lord God, heavenly Father, we give thanks that You have nourished our brother and sister with us in the communion of this congregation. Bless, protect, and defend them as they now depart from us.

**C** **Preserve them in faith. Guide them in learning. Give Your grace that he may study with diligence, learn with eagerness, grow in understanding, and be prepared to serve Your people with a cheerful spirit and great zeal. Support, strengthen, and keep them by Your word, that through his Calling, Your Church may grow, Your kingdom may come, and Your will be done, in Christ's name. Amen.**

**P** Go in peace and joy. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**C** **Amen.**

#### **BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION**

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**CLOSING HYMN**

**“God Loves Me Dearly”**

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**POSTLUDE**