+ DIVINE SERVICE +

[PROLOGUE - PREPARATION]

Opening Hymn: 462 All the Earth with Joy Is Sounding

1 All the earth with joy is sounding:

Christ has risen from the dead!

He, the greater Jonah, bounding

From the grave, His three-day bed,

Wins the prize:

Death's demise—

Songs of triumph fill the skies.

2 Christ, the devil's might unwinding,

Leaves behind His borrowed tomb.

Stronger He, the strong man binding,

Takes, disarms his house of doom;

In the rout

Casting out

Pow'rs of darkness, sin, and doubt.

3 Jesus, author of salvation,

Shared in our humanity;

Crowned with radiant exaltation,

Now He shares His victory!

From His face

Shines the grace

Meant for all our fallen race.

4 Praise the Lord, His reign commences,

Reign of life and liberty—

Paschal Lamb, for our offenses,

Slain and raised to set us free!

Evermore

Bow before

Christ, the Lord of Life adore!

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Stand

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

- **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?
- But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- 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.

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

Stand

[THE WORD - INSTRUCTION]

INTROIT: (Psalm 98:1b,3-4; Antiphon: Psalm 98:1a,2b.) Pastor: Sing to the LORD a new song! Alleluia!

For He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations. Alleluia!

Congregation: His right hand and His holy arm Have worked salvation for Him.

P: He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel; All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

C:Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;

Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

All: 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: Sing to the LORD a new song! Alleluia!

For He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations. Alleluia!

C: His right hand and His holy arm Have worked salvation for Him.

Kyrie LSB 204

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Gloria in Excelsis LSB 204

- And peace to all the earth;
 Goodwill from God in heaven
 Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
 We praise and bless You, Father;
 Your holy name, we sing—
 Our thanks for Your great glory,
 Lord God, our heav'nly King.
 - 2 To You, O sole-begotten,
 The Father's Son, we pray;
 O Lamb of God, our Savior,
 You take our sins away.
 Have mercy on us, Jesus;
 Receive our heartfelt cry,
 Where You in pow'r are seated
 At God's right hand on high—
 - 3 For You alone are holy;
 You only are the Lord.
 Forever and forever,
 Be worshiped and adored;
 You with the Holy Spirit
 Alone are Lord Most High,
 In God the Father's glory.
 "Amen!" our glad reply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

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

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 12

¹You will say in that day:
"I will give thanks to you, O Lord,
for though you were angry with me,
your anger turned away,
that you might comfort me.

²"Behold, God is my salvation;
I will trust, and will not be afraid;
for the LordGod is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation."

³With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴And you will say in that day:

"Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted.

5"Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth.

6Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

Epistle Lesson: James 1:16–21

¹⁶Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. ¹⁷Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

¹⁹Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness that God requires. ²¹Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

+Lutheran Confessions Responsive Reading: The Smalcald Articles+

P: How does God grant us the Holy Spirit? (Smalcald Articles, Part III, Article VIII, paragraphs 3-6,9,10)

C: In issues relating to the spoken, outward Word, we must firmly hold that God grants His Spirit or grace to no one except through or with the preceding outward Word [Galatians 3:2, 5]. This protects us from the enthusiasts (that is, souls who boast that they have the Spirit without and before the Word). They judge Scripture or the spoken Word and explain and stretch it at their pleasure, ...

P: All this is the old devil and old serpent [Revelation 12:9], who also turned Adam and Eve into enthusiasts. He led them away from God's outward Word to spiritualizing and self-pride [Genesis 3:2-5]. And yet, he did this through other outward words. 6 In the same way, our enthusiasts today condemn the outward Word. Yet they themselves are not silent.

C: They fill the world with their babbling and writings, as if the Spirit could not come through the apostles' writings and spoken Word, but has to come through their writings and words. Why don't they leave out their own sermons and writings and let the Spirit Himself come to people without their writings before them, as they boast that He has come into them without the preaching of the Scriptures?.....

P: In a word, enthusiasm dwells in Adam and his children from the beginning to the end of the world. Its venom has been implanted and infused into them by the old serpent. It is the origin, power, and strength

of all heresy, especially of that of the papacy and Muhammad.

C:Therefore, we must constantly maintain this point: God does not want to deal with us in any other way than through the spoken Word and the Sacraments. Whatever is praised as from the Spirit "without the Word and Sacraments" is the devil himself.

Stand

Verse:(Psalm 118:16; Romans 6:9.)

P: Alleluia! The right hand of the LORD exalts The right hand of the LORD does valiantly. Alleluia! C: We know Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. Alleluia!

Alleluia and Verse

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel: John 16:5-15

⁵[Jesus said:] "But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. ⁷Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; ¹¹concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

¹²"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

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.

556 Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

- Dear Christians, one and all, rejoice,
 With exultation springing,
 And with united heart and voice
 And holy rapture singing,
 Proclaim the wonders God has done,
 How His right arm the vict'ry won.
 What price our ransom cost Him!
- 2 Fast bound in Satan's chains I lay; Death brooded darkly o'er me. Sin was my torment night and day; In sin my mother bore me. But daily deeper still I fell; My life became a living hell, So firmly sin possessed me.
- My own good works all came to naught, No grace or merit gaining; Free will against God's judgment fought, Dead to all good remaining. My fears increased till sheer despair Left only death to be my share; The pangs of hell I suffered.
- But God had seen my wretched state
 Before the world's foundation,
 And mindful of His mercies great,
 He planned for my salvation.
 He turned to me a father's heart;
 He did not choose the easy part
 But gave His dearest treasure.
- 5 God said to His belovèd Son: "It's time to have compassion. Then go, bright jewel of My crown, And bring to all salvation. From sin and sorrow set them free; Slay bitter death for them that they May live with You forever."
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Sermon: "O Lord, Open My Lips and My Mouth Will Declare Your Praise!" John 16:5-15 Stand

Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Brief silence

For all the baptized, that they would make a joyful noise to the Lord for the salvation they have in Jesus Christ, in whose righteousness they are clothed, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all pastors in Christ, that they would be diligent in their studies, faithful in their prayers, steadfast in their faith and compassionate toward the children of God they serve, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For our children and young people, that they would be brought up by faithful parents; receive a good education; and grow into fruitful maturity for service to home, church and world, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the vocation of motherhood, that mothers would love and care for their children, and that children would cherish and honor their mothers, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all those who have been entrusted with earthly authority, that they would be given the wisdom to rule according to Your will, to work for the well-being of the nation especially during the present pandemic, and to enable justice and peace to flourish throughout the world, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who suffer in this vale of tears, and for all those who have requested our prayers, *[including _____,]* that they would be comforted with the sure and certain hope of life eternal through Christ, their Lord, knowing that a day is coming when no one will be able to take their joy from them, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who partake of the Holy Supper of Christ's body and blood this day, that they would receive the blessed Sacrament in repentance and faith, unto life everlasting; and for all who are unable to gather together due to the pandemic, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who have gone before us with the sign of faith and now rest in Jesus, let us give thanks to the Lord; that we would be enlivened by the Gospel and sustained in the one, true faith until our last hour comes, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Sit

Offering

[THE WORD - HOLY COMMUNION]

Stand

Preface LSB 208

- **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.
- P 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 LSB 208

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of 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.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has delivered us into new life in Him.

Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.

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

Lord's Prayer

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

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.

Agnus Dei LSB 210

- **Q** 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
 - 2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Sit

Distribution

556 Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

The Son obeyed His Father's will,
Was born of virgin mother;
And God's good pleasure to fulfill,
He came to be my brother.
His royal pow'r disguised He bore;
A servant's form, like mine, He wore
To lead the devil captive.

sts. 6-8, 10

- 7 To me He said: "Stay close to Me,
 I am your rock and castle.
 Your ransom I Myself will be;
 For you I strive and wrestle.
 For I am yours, and you are Mine,
 And where I am you may remain;
 The foe shall not divide us.
- 8 "Though he will shed My precious blood,
 Me of My life bereaving,
 All this I suffer for your good;
 Be steadfast and believing.
 Life will from death the vict'ry win;
 My innocence shall bear your sin,
 And you are blest forever.
- 10 "What I on earth have done and taught
 Guide all your life and teaching;
 So shall the kingdom's work be wrought
 And honored in your preaching.
 But watch lest foes with base alloy
 The heav'nly treasure should destroy;
 This final word I leave you."

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819 Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good

- Sing praise to God, the highest good, The author of creation, The God of love who understood Our need for His salvation. With healing balm our souls He fills And ev'ry faithless murmur stills:
 To God all praise and glory!
- What God's almighty pow'r has made,
 In mercy He is keeping.
 By morning glow or evening shade
 His eye is never sleeping.
 Within the kingdom of His might
 All things are just and good and right:
 To God all praise and glory!
- We sought the Lord in our distress;
 O God, in mercy hear us.
 Our Savior saw our helplessness
 And came with peace to cheer us.
 For this we thank and praise the Lord,
 Who is by one and all adored:
 To God all praise and glory!
- He never shall forsake His flock,
 His chosen generation;
 He is their refuge and their rock,
 Their peace and their salvation.
 As with a mother's tender hand,
 He leads His own, His chosen band:
 To God all praise and glory!
- All who confess Christ's holy name,
 Give God the praise and glory.
 Let all who know His pow'r proclaim
 Aloud the wondrous story.
 Cast ev'ry idol from its throne,
 For God is God, and He alone: To God all praise and glory!

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478 The Day of Resurrection

- The day of resurrection!
 Earth, tell it out abroad,
 The passover of gladness,
 The passover of God.
 From death to life eternal,
 From sin's dominion free,
 Our Christ has brought us over
 With hymns of victory.
- Let hearts be purged of evil
 That we may see aright
 The Lord in rays eternal
 Of resurrection light
 And, list'ning to His accents,
 May hear, so calm and plain,
 His own "All hail!" and, hearing,
 May raise the victor strain.
- 3 Now let the heav'ns be joyful,
 Let earth its song begin,
 Let all the world keep triumph
 And all that is therein.
 Let all things, seen and unseen,
 Their notes of gladness blend;
 For Christ the Lord has risen,
 Our joy that has no end!
- △ 4 All praise to God the Father,
 All praise to God the Son,
 All praise to God the Spirit,
 Eternal Three in One!
 Let all the ransomed number
 Fall down before the throne
 And honor, pow'r, and glory
 Ascribe to God alone!

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Stand

Nunc Dimittis LSB 211

- O Lord, now let Your servant
 Depart in heav'nly peace,
 For I have seen the glory
 Of Your redeeming grace:
 A light to lead the Gentiles
 Unto Your holy hill,
 The glory of Your people,
 Your chosen Israel.
 - 2 All glory to the Father,
 All glory to the Son,
 All glory to the Spirit,
 Forever Three in One;
 For as in the beginning,
 Is now, shall ever be,
 God's triune name resounding
 Through all eternity.

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 LSB 212

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P 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.

855 For All the Faithful Women

sts. 1-2, 6, 8, 13, 3-4

For all the faithful women
Who served in days of old,
To You shall thanks be given;
To all, their story told.
They served with strength and gladness
In tasks Your wisdom gave.
To You their lives bore witness,
Proclaimed Your pow'r to save.

6 To Hannah, praying childless
Before Your throne of grace,
You gave a son and called him
To serve before Your face.
Grant us her perseverance;
Lord, teach us how to pray
And trust in Your deliv'rance

When darkness hides our way. 1 Samuel 1:1—2:10

We sing of Mary, mother,
Fair maiden, full of grace.
She bore the Christ, our brother,
Who came to save our race.
May we, with her, surrender
Ourselves to Your command
And lay upon Your altar
Our gifts of heart and hand.

Luke 1:26-38

13 For Eunice and for Lois
We sing our thanks and praise.
Young Timothy they nurtured
And led him in Your ways.
Raise up in ev'ry household
True teachers of Your Word
Whose lives will bear clear witness
To Christ, our risen Lord.

2 Timothy 1:5

O God, for saints and servants,
Those named and those unknown
In whom through all the ages
Your light of glory shone,
We offer glad thanksgiving
And fervent prayer we raise
That, faithful in Your service,
Our lives may sing Your praise.

△ 4 All praise to God the Father!

All praise to Christ the Son!

All praise the Holy Spirit,

Who binds the Church in one!

With saints who went before us,

With saints who witness still,

We sing glad Alleluias

And strive to do Your will.

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+++ "Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! For He has done marvelous things;+++ +++ His right hand and His holy arm have gained Him the victory."+++ Psalm 98:I

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