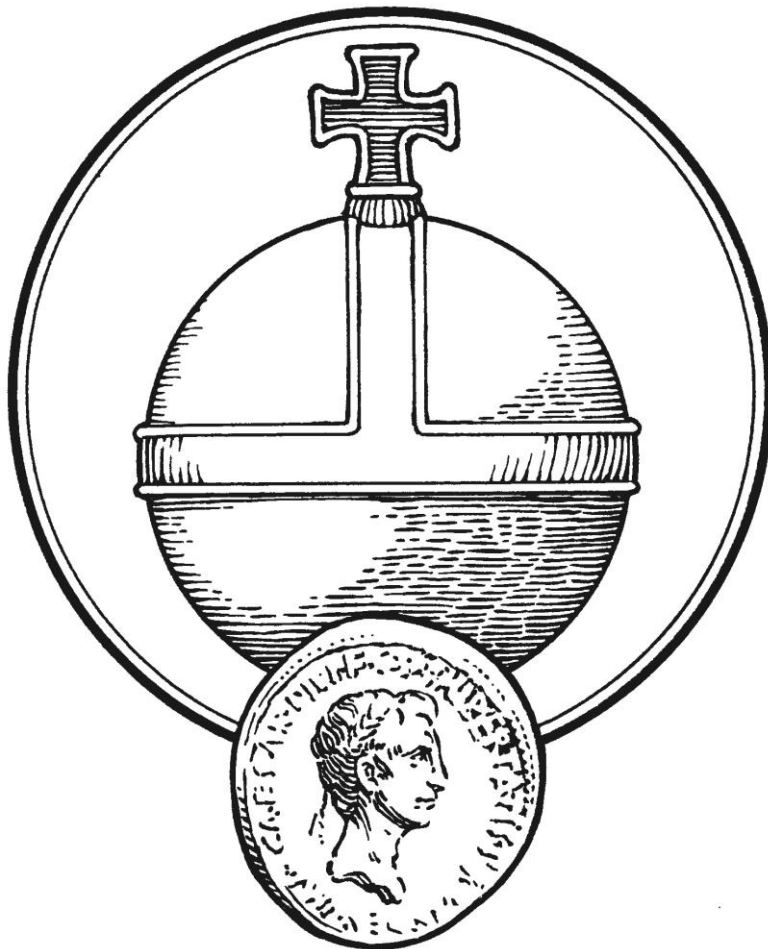


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*Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity*

✠ *SUNDAY OF THE DENARIUS* ✠

November 12, 2023

## RENDER TO GOD THE THINGS OF GOD

When confronted with the civic duty of paying taxes, our Lord Jesus, Wisdom incarnate, walked "in the way of righteousness, in the paths of justice" (Prov. 8:20) and discerned that wisdom "is better than jewels" and "better than gold, even fine gold" (Prov. 8:11, 19). When we set our minds on earthly things, such as wealth and passing glory, our "end is destruction" (Phil. 3:19). However, our humble and prudent Lord has rendered "to God the things that are God's" (Matt. 22:21), namely, perfect fear, love, and trust, as well as the complete sacrifice for our sin. In so doing, He also rendered to Caesar the things of honor and justice, submitting to the law of the land that put Him on the cross. The true "riches and honor are with [Him]," because "enduring wealth and righteousness" (Prov. 8:18) are found in our heavenly citizenship from which "we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ." He "will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself" (Phil. 3:20-21).

### *Communing at this Altar*

**The Lord's Supper is celebrated and offered here every Lord's day!**

***\*Guests wishing to join our confession and receive this Holy Sacrament now, and in the future, are asked to meet with the pastor before communing.***

Because we consider communing at this altar a public declaration of fellowship in what our church believes, teaches, and confesses, we welcome to commune those who:

- ✠ are baptized into the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Mt 28:19);
- ✠ confess Jesus Christ as their personal Savior from sin;
- ✠ discern the Lord's Body and Blood as truly present, together with the bread and wine (1 Cor 11:29), as taught by the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod in the Small Catechism;
- ✠ examine themselves and repent, as instructed in the Scriptures (1 Cor 11:28);
- ✠ believe the words of Jesus, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins" (Mt 26:28);

If this is *not* your confession, or you're seeking a church home and wish to learn more about Trinity, our Pastor will gladly meet with you after the service. In the meantime, we welcome you forward for a blessing during the distribution. Simply come forward and, when kneeling, ***cross your arms over your chest***, indicating that you'd like to receive a blessing.

As you commune, select either the individual cup or the common chalice.

Communicants who cannot easily come to the altar will be communed in the pew.

*Please notify an usher or the Pastor beforehand if you need such assistance.*

To help prepare yourself to receive the Lord's Body and Blood you may read "Christian Questions with Their Answers" found on pages 329 and 330 of the hymnal.

## ✠ THE DIVINE SERVICE ✠

*Setting Three, Lutheran Service Book, p.184*

**HYMN OF INVOCATION ~ All People That on Earth Do Dwell**

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△Please stand and face the cross as it enters.

## ✠ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION ✠

## INVOCATION

*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** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the Name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## ✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

### INTROIT

*Ps. 85:1, 7, 9, 11; antiphon: Jer. 29:11a, 12*



**P** I know the plans I have for you, de- | clares the LORD,\*  
plans for wholeness and not for | evil.

**C** Then you will call upon Me and come and | pray to Me,\*  
and I will | hear you.

**P** Lord, you were favorable | to Your land;\*  
You restored the fortunes of | Jacob.

**C** Show us Your steadfast love, | O Lord,\*  
and grant us Your sal- | vation.

**P** Surely His salvation is near to those who | fear Him,\*  
that glory may dwell | in our land.

**C** Faithfulness springs up | from the ground,\*  
and righteousness looks down | from the sky.

**C** *Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\**  
*and to the Holy | Spirit;*  
 as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
 is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

*\*You may bow your head at this point  
 in praise of the Name of the Holy Trinity*

**P** I know the plans I have for you, de- | clares the LORD,\*  
 plans for wholeness and not for | evil.

**C** Then you will call upon Me and come and | pray to Me,\*  
 and I will | hear you

**KYRIE** ~ *Lord, Have Mercy*

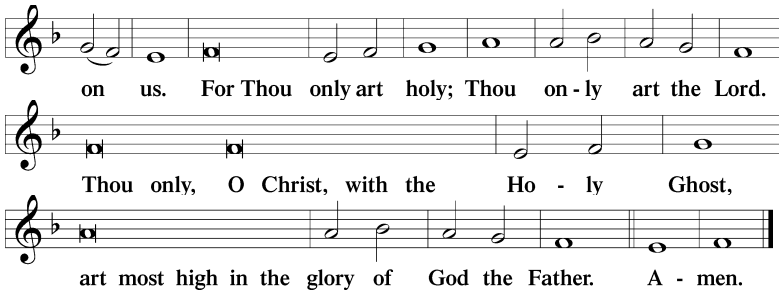
*Mark 10:47*

**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
 on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** ~ *Glory to God in the Highest*

*Lk 2:14; Jn 1:29*

**P** Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward  
 men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,  
 we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
 O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.  
 O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;  
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.  
 Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.  
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.  
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,  
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.



**G** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Let us pray.

O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**G** A - men.

Sit

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Proverbs 8:11-22*

<sup>11</sup>For wisdom is better than jewels, and all that you may desire cannot compare with her. <sup>12</sup>"I, wisdom, dwell with prudence, and I find knowledge and discretion. <sup>13</sup>The fear of the LORD is hatred of evil. Pride and arrogance and the way of evil and perverted speech I hate. <sup>14</sup>I have counsel and sound wisdom; I have insight; I have strength. <sup>15</sup>By me kings reign, and rulers decree what is just; <sup>16</sup>by me princes rule, and nobles, all who govern justly. <sup>17</sup>I love those who love me, and those who seek me diligently find me. <sup>18</sup>Riches and honor are with me, enduring wealth and righteousness. <sup>19</sup>My fruit is better than gold, even fine gold, and my yield than choice silver. <sup>20</sup>I walk in the way of righteousness, in the paths of justice, <sup>21</sup>granting an inheritance to those who love me, and filling their treasuries. <sup>22</sup>"The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**GRADUAL**

*Ps. 44:7- 8*

**A** You have saved us | from our foes\*  
 and have put to shame those who | hate us.

**C** In God we have boasted con- | tinually,\*  
 and we will give thanks to your name for- | ever.

## EPISTLE READING

*Philippians 3:17-21*

<sup>17</sup>Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. <sup>18</sup>For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. <sup>19</sup>Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. <sup>20</sup>But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup>who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## ALLELUIA



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

**P** You who fear the LORD, trust | in the LORD!\*

He is their help | and their shield.

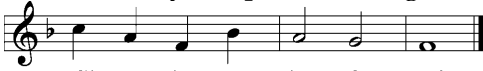


**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL READING

*Matthew 22:15-22*

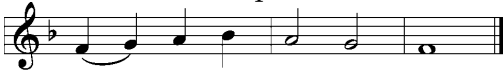
**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.



**C** Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. <sup>16</sup>And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. <sup>17</sup>Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" <sup>18</sup>But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? <sup>19</sup>Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. <sup>20</sup>And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" <sup>21</sup>They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." <sup>22</sup>When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

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



**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## NICENE CREED

**C** 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;

*\*You may genuflect  
 in reverence of the incarnation*

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  $\text{✠}$  of the world to come. Amen.

*Sit*

**HYMN OF THE DAY ~ Who Trusts in God a Strong Abode**

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**SERMON**

*Stand*

**OFFERTORY**

*Psalm 51:10-12*

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

## OFFERING

The offering is a response of faith. It should be free, generous, and sacrificial.

The offering today goes toward the work and mission of the Church.

Guests, especially, should not feel obliged to give.

Please take a second to fill out the pew card and read the communion statement in the bulletin cover.

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## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

After each petition respond: "Hear our prayer."

## ✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

### PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



**R** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

Colossians 3:1



**R** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God

Psalm 136



**R** It is meet and right so to do.

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting 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 ~ *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9



**R** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.





Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

### LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**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

*Mt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25*

**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  $\text{✠}$  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  $\text{✠}$  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 ~ *The Peace of the Lord*

*John 20:19*

**P** The peace of the  $\text{✠}$  Lord be with you always.



**A** - men.

### AGNUS DEI ~ *Lamb of God*

*John 1:29*



**O** Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



Sit

## DISTRIBUTION

Please take a moment and read 'COMMUNING AT THIS ALTAR' in the front cover of the bulletin.  
 Guests are invited to please speak with the Pastor before communing for the first time.

### Prayer Before Reception of Holy Communion

O Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof; but speak only Your Word, and my soul will be healed. I will take the Bread of Heaven and call upon the Name of the Lord. What shall I give to the Lord for all that He has given to me? I will take the Cup of Salvation and call upon the Name of the Lord. Amen.

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS ~

<i>Eternal Father, Strong to Save</i>	717
<i>Thy Strong Word</i>	578
<i>I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light</i>	411
<i>Jerusalem, My Happy Home</i>	673

### Prayer After Reception of Holy Communion

I live, and yet not I, but Christ lives in me. What we have received with our mouths, O Lord, let us keep with faithful hearts, that this Gift given us in earthly time may bring us to eternal salvation. Amen.

Additional prayers to prepare for receiving the Sacrament are found in the front cover of the hymnal.

## NUNC DIMITTIS ~ Song of Simeon

Luke 2:29-32

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -  
 cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
 which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
 a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
 people Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
 to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

## THANKSGIVING

**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

**G** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**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 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.

**G** A - men.

## SALUTATION and BENEDICAMUS

**P** The Lord be with you.

**G** And with thy spir - it.

**A** Bless we the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

## BENEDICTION

*Numbers 6:24-26*

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

**G** A - men, a - men, a - men.

*△ Please remain standing and face the cross in reverence as it processes out.*

## CLOSING HYMN ~ God of Grace and God of Glory

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