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Processional Hymn'Our Eyes Behold the Savior's Face'Our Eyes Behold the Savior's Face

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

Invocation

Lisa M. Clark

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Exhortation

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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.

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord, and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

Confession of Sins

O almighty God, merciful Father,

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.

Absolution

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. **Amen.**

Introit

Psalm 116:1–4; antiphon: v. 5

Gracious is the LORD, and | righteous;* our God is | merciful.

I love the LORD, because | he has heard*

my voice and my pleas for | mercy.

Because he inclined his | ear to me,*

therefore I will call on him as long | as I live.

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid | hold on me;*

I suffered distress and | anguish.

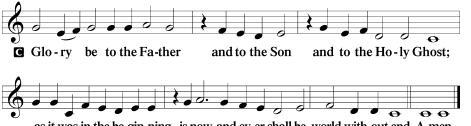
Then I called on the name | of the LORD:*

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Gracious is the LORD, and | righteous;*

our God is | merciful.

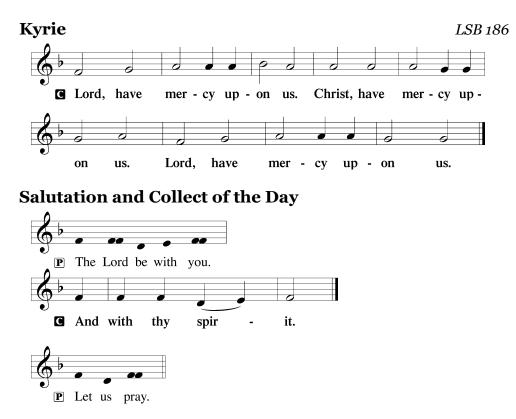
Gloria Patri



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

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O Lord, in this wondrous Sacrament You have left us a remembrance of Your passion. Grant that we may so receive the sacred mystery of Your body and blood that the fruits of Your redemption may continually be manifest in us; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading

Exodus 24:3-11

³Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD and all the just decrees. And all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words that the LORD has spoken we will do." ⁴And Moses wrote down all the words of the LORD. He rose early in the morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. ⁵And he sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the LORD. ⁶And Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he threw against the altar. ⁷Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said, "All that the LORD has

spoken we will do, and we will be obedient." ⁸And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words."

⁹Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, ¹⁰and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. ¹¹And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 116:12-19; antiphon: v. 17

¹²What shall I render | to the LORD* for all his bene- | fits to me? ¹³I will lift up the cup of sal- | vation* and call on the name | of the LORD, ¹⁴I will pay my vows | to the LORD* in the presence of all his | people. ¹⁵Precious in the sight | of the LORD* is the death | of his saints. ¹⁶O LORD, I am your | servant;* I am your servant, the son of your maidservant. You have | loosed my bonds. ¹⁷I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanks- | giving* and call on the name | of the LORD. ¹⁸I will pay my vows | to the LORD* in the presence of all his | people, ¹⁹in the courts of the house | of the LORD,* in your midst, O Jerusalem. | Praise the LORD!

Epistle

Hebrews 9:11-22

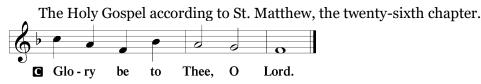
Redemption Through the Blood of Christ

¹¹When Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) ¹²he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. ¹³For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, ¹⁴how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God. ¹⁵Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant. ¹⁶For where a will is involved, the death of the one who made it must be established. ¹⁷For a will takes effect only at death, since it is not in force as long as the one who made it is alive. ¹⁸Therefore not even the first covenant was inaugurated without blood. ¹⁹For when every commandment of the law had been declared by Moses to all the people, he took the blood of calves and goats, with water and scarlet wool and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book itself and all the people, ²⁰saying, "This is the blood of the covenant that God commanded for you." ²¹And in the same way he sprinkled with the blood both the tent and all the vessels used in worship. ²²Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.

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Holy Gospel

Matthew 26:17-30



The Passover with the Disciples

¹⁷Now on the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Where will you have us prepare for you to eat the Passover?" ¹⁸He said, "Go into the city to a certain man and say to him, 'The Teacher says, My time is at hand. I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples." ¹⁹And the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover.

²⁰When it was evening, he reclined at table with the twelve. ²¹And as they were eating, he said, "Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me." ²²And they were very sorrowful and began to say to him one after another, "Is it I, Lord?" ²³He answered, "He who has dipped his hand in the dish with me will betray me. ²⁴The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born." ²⁵Judas, who would betray him, answered, "Is it I, Rabbi?" He said to him, "You have said so."

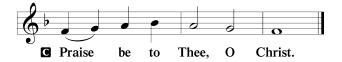
Institution of the Lord's Supper

²⁶Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." ²⁷And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, ²⁸for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. ²⁹I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

Jesus Foretells Peter's Denial

³⁰And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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, verv 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 T of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day	LSB 435	'Come to Calvary's Mountain'
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Praver of the Church

On this holy night in which our Lord gathered His disciples in the Upper Room, we come to You, O Lord, in His name with the concerns of our hearts for ourselves and all people. Grant to us zeal for Your house, O Lord, and love for the things of Your Kingdom, that Your Church may enjoy harmony and peace and confess Your Word with one voice before the world. Cover us with the blood of Christ, and grant us Your Spirit, that we may walk in Your ways and do the good You desire. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Deliver us, O Lord, from temptation, and lead us to know and do what is holy and right according to Your Word and commands. Bless those preparing for Baptism and those being catechized into the faith, that they would be steadfast in faith in Christ, our Lord. Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

In the midst of enemies that threaten and a world filled with conflict. give to us wise leaders. O Lord, that we may be preserved from harm. Guide those who make and administer our laws, and give to all judges and magistrates knowledge to render justice with mercy. Bless the members of the armed forces who defend us here and abroad. Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Preserve the sick, relieve the suffering and grant to the dying Your peace, O Lord. Hear us on behalf of all those who have asked us to prav *1*. Give them healing in accordance with *Fespeciallu* Your will, strength to bear up under the burdens of this mortal life, and comfort and hope in trial. Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

As generously as You have given to us, O Lord, teach us to be generous in giving, that the poor may not suffer want nor Your Church be deprived of the resources to serve Your purpose both here and across the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

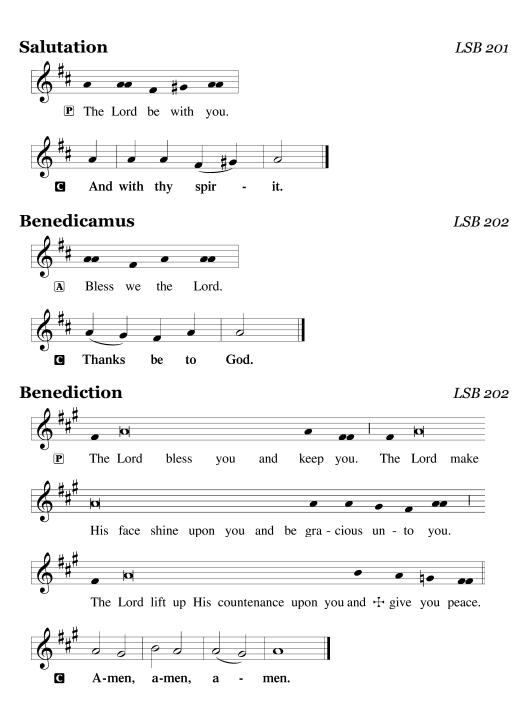
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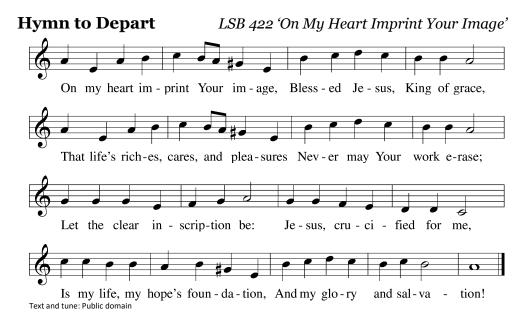
Bless us, O Lord, as again we walk in the footsteps of Jesus to the cross. Help us to ponder well the love He has shown us by His suffering and death, and make us so confident of the resurrection to everlasting life that this supper may fulfill the Passover promise and feed us upon the foretaste of the eternal feast to come. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

All these things and the prayers of our own hearts we are bold to lay before Your throne, dear Father, for the sake and in the name of Jesus, Who taught 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.





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Announcements:

For the remainder of our vacancy you may reach Pastor Rockemann at: Phone: 847.754.8729 E-mail: <u>larry.rockemann@att.net</u>. Whenever there is a need for pastoral care/visitation during the times that Pastor Rockemann must be away, please call on Pastor Roberts (865.229.6024), or our Circuit Visitor, Pastor Portier (865.771.2118).

Rev. Ed Maanum has accepted the Call to serve as our Pastor. He is expecting to move to Knoxville in May. We give thanks to the Triune God for the guidance of the call committee and Pastor Maanum through the Holy Spirit. Please continue to pray for Pastor Maanum, his family, and the congregations he is leaving in Colorado as he embark on this monumental change.

In thanksgiving to the Triune God, the worship inserts for the month of April were anonymously donated, thanking the Lord for faithful Pastors, Teachers, and Staff at First Lutheran Church and School. To God be the glory!

This coming KARM lunch will be my last as organizer. I have been doing this for 14 years, and I need a break. I appeal to you all to search your hearts and consider taking this on. It is very fulfilling, and feeding the hungry has always been part of our mission as Christians. Please drop me (Karen Farris) a line and I will be happy to discuss it with you. Our next mission is April 4th.

Prayer Requests:

Serving Our Country: Brett Anthonijs, Robert Boatman, Isaac Davis, Chad Kaiser, Adam Smith, Jeff Stone, and Neil Whitehead.

Members: Vicki Basler, Brenda Basler (Tony Basler's daughter), Janice Kaiser, George and Linda Walker, Doc Sternberg, Becky (friend of Don and Sandy Linde), and Jean Anderson (Mike Anderson's mom).

Our shut-in Members: Jim and Rosa Beck, Mary Acuff-Croes, Gene Franklin, Judy Kelley, Sharon Mueller, Doug Rodenbeck, Lily Varner, Liz Etzel, Marilyn Waldeck, Carl and Judy Testerman, and Harold and Katherine Whitaker.