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Nain Evangelical Lutheran Church

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### The Christian lives as wheat among the weeds

Jesus brings forth a harvest of faith and bears good fruits in the children of God's kingdom (Matthew 13:38). Whatever is sown apart from his Word is of the devil, who plants the weeds of unbelief and sin, even among the people of God.

Thankfully, the Lord is patient and he does not uproot the weeds, lest the plants also be destroyed. He lets both grow together until the harvest (Matthew 13:30) while he continues to preach repentance and forgiveness of sins. Thus he preserves his Church in righteousness until the end. In this hope we wait with patience.

Though we do not yet see it, "the Spirit helps us in our weakness" (Romans 8:26) and reminds us that during times of trouble and cross-bearing that "our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us" (Romans 8:18).

### + COMMON SERVICE +

#### THE PREPARATION

(Job 11:13-15; Psalm 25; Isaiah 40:3-5; Hebrews 4:16)

#### **OPENING HYMN** "All Christians Who Have Been Baptized" 736 All Chris - tians who have been bap - tized, Who 1 You 2 be - fore day of were birth, In your But all of way— 3 that was washed a Im -4 In Bap - tism we Our now put Christ on gift 5 O Chris - tian, firm - ly hold this And 6 So use it well! You are made new-In know the God of heav And en, deed, from Con your tion, con cep and drowned for The mersed ev er. shame is ful With ly cov ered give God thanks for er! It ev Christ a new cre a tion! As whose ly The prized in dai life is all demned and lost with the earth. None day Re wa ter of bap tism your all that he once sac ri ficed And

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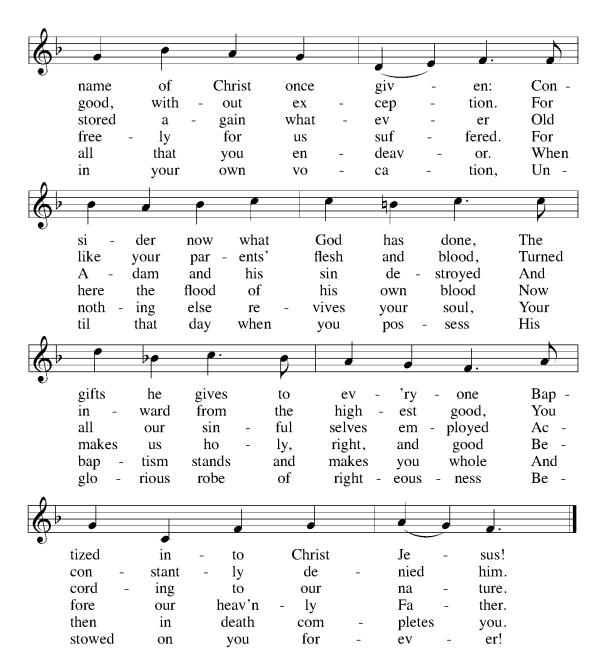
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This hymn calls to mind the gifts of Holy Baptism—new life, forgiveness, and the divine inspiration to offer our lives in service to God and others.

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#### **APOSTOLIC GREETING** (2 Corinthians 13:14)

- \* Please stand.
- M: The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.

#### CONFESSION OF SINS (1 John 1:8-9)

- M: Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded Baptism when he said: "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." All of us are born into this world with a deep need for Baptism. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature; we are without true fear of God and true faith in God and are condemned to eternal death. But Jesus took away our sin by giving his life on the cross. At our baptism he clothes us with the robe of his righteousness and gives us a new life. Our sinful nature need not control us any longer. We recall what Baptism means for our daily lives as we speak these words:
- C: Baptism means that the sinful nature in us should be drowned by daily sorrow and repentance, and that all its evil deeds and desires be put to death. It also means that a new person should daily arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.
- M: As baptized children of God we confess our sins.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

#### **HOLY ABSOLUTION** (John 20:19-23)

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

<sup>\*</sup> Please be seated. The rite of Holy Baptism continues at the font.

#### HOLY BAPTISM

(Matthew 28:19; Acts 2:38; Romans 6:3-5; Galatians 3:26-27; Titus 3:4-7; 1 Peter 3:21)

#### Janna Caroline Leyrer

M: In bringing this child to Baptism, you are doing what is God-pleasing. Jesus himself invited little children to become a part of his kingdom when he said: "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them, and blessed them.

\* The pastor marks the sign of the cross on the infant presented for baptism, saying:

Janna, receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart † to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

#### **PRAYER**

M: Let us pray.

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father, through your stern judgment the unbelieving world was destroyed by the flood, but according to your great mercy, you saved Noah and his family. You engulfed stubborn Pharaoh and his army in the waters of the Red Sea but led your people through those same waters to safety on dry land. In the waters of the Jordan your own Son was baptized and anointed with the Spirit. By these signs you foreshadowed the precious, cleansing bath which you give us in Holy Baptism.

Clinging to your command and promise, we ask that you would look with favor on Janna. Through this water of Baptism, drown in her all sin inherited from Adam and any other evil she may do. Set her apart from the unbelieving world and hold her safe and secure in the holy ark of the Church. Keep her always fervent in spirit and joyful in hope so that she may honor your holy name and at last receive, together with all your people, the promised inheritance of eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

- M: Let us confess the faith of the Church, the faith into which this child will be baptized, the Apostles' Creed.
- C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

#### **BAPTISMAL RITE**

- \* The minister says to the parents of the infant presented for baptism:
- M: Do you desire to have Janna baptized into this Christian faith?
- R: Yes.
- M: Janna Caroline Leyrer, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

The Almighty God - Father, Son, † and Holy Spirit - has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven.

May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

#### **EXHORTATION TO PARENTS**

M: Dear parents, our Lord Jesus Christ, in instituting Baptism, not only commanded that children should be baptized, but that they should be taught to obey everything he has commanded us. I therefore ask you:

Do you sincerely intend to bring up Janna in the way of the Lord and to instruct her in the truths of God's saving Word so that she may grow in faith, serve God with a

Christian life, and remain in her baptismal grace unto the end? If so, answer: Yes, and we ask God to help us.

R: Yes, and we ask God to help us.

#### **EXHORTATION TO SPONSORS**

M: Dear sponsors, Janna has been baptized in the name of the Triune God. It is your privilege and responsibility to remember her in your prayers, to remind her of her baptism, and, as far as possible, to give your counsel and aid that she may be brought up in the true knowledge of God according to the teachings of the Scriptures as confessed by our Lutheran Church. If you intend gladly and willingly to do this, then answer: Yes, and we ask God to help us.

R: Yes, and we ask God to help us.

#### **EXHORTATION TO CONGREGATION**

M: Brothers and sisters in Christ, our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love, therefore, urges all of us to assist in whatever manner possible so that Janna may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, and we ask God to help us.

C: Yes, and we ask God to help us.

#### **BAPTISMAL GARMENT**

M: Janna, this white garment shows that Christ has taken away your sin and put on you his perfect robe of righteousness.

#### BAPTISMAL CANDLE

M: Jesus said: "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." Light this candle again and again in years to come on anniversaries of this day, and recall what God has done for Janna through the gift of his Son and through Baptism which unites her with Jesus in his death to sin and resurrection to new life.

#### **PRAYER**

\* Please stand.

M: Let us pray.

We give thanks, most merciful Father, that you have received Janna as your own child and made her a member of Christ's body, the Church. Now, we pray, grant to her and to all your Church on earth that being dead to sin, we may live to righteousness, and being buried with Christ into his death, we may also be partakers of his resurrection, so that, with all your saints, we may inherit eternal life, through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

#### **BLESSING**

M: Almighty God, the Father of our Lord † Jesus Christ, strengthen you by his Spirit, that Christ, dwelling in your hearts by faith, may fill you with all spiritual blessings. Go in peace.

\* The baptismal party returns to their seats.

#### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS - GLORY TO GOD (Luke 2:14; John 1:29)

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



God the Fa-ther al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



#### **SALUTATION** (Ruth 2:4; 2 Timothy 4:22)

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY (Philippians 4:6; Matthew 18:19-20)

M: Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, the spirit to think and do what is right that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may by your help be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

<sup>\*</sup> Please be seated.

#### THE WORD

(Romans 10:17; Acts 2:42; 2 Timothy 3:16,17)

FIRST LESSON Joel 3:12-16

\* After the reading of the Lesson:

M: The Word of Our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

#### **PSALM OF THE DAY** Psalm 18

\* Pastor will speak the initial refrain, and then the first half of each Psalm verse.

The congregation will respond with the second half of each verse, and join Pastor in the other refrains.

On Saturday, the psalm will be sung by the cantora.

M: The mighty Lord is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

M: The LORD is my rock, my fortress and by deliverer:

C: my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge.

M: He reached down from on high and took hold of me;

C: he rescued me from my powerful enemy.

M: He brought me out into a spacious place;

C: he rescued me because he delighted in me.

All: The mighty Lord is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

M: You, O LORD, keep my lamp burning;

C: my God turns my darkness into light.

M: You save the humble

C: but bring low those whose eyes are haughty.

M: You give me your shield of victory,

C: and your right hand sustains me.

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.

All: The mighty Lord is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

SECOND LESSON Romans 8:26,27

\* After the reading of the Lesson:

M: The Word of Our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

**VERSE OF THE DAY** Isaiah 55:11b (Psalm 150; Revelation 19)

M: Alleluia. "My Word will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it." Alleluia.



\* The pastor processes to the nave floor for the reading of the Gospel, symbolizing Christ's presence among us in his Word.

GOSPEL OF THE DAY Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

\* Please stand.

M: The Holy Gospel for Ninth Sunday after Pentecost, according to St. Matthew, chapter thirteen.

C: Glory be to you, O Lord!

\* After the reading of the Gospel:

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

<sup>\*</sup> Please be seated.



- 6 The cause is yours, the glory, too. So hear us, Lord, and keep us true, Your Word alone is our defense, The Church's glorious confidence.
- 7 Oh, grant that in your holy Word We here may live and die, dear Lord, And when our journey's ending here, Receive us into glory there.

- \* Please stand.
- C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

\* Please be seated.

OFFERTORY MUSIC 737 "God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It"

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH - SUNDAYS AFTER PENTECOST (1 Timothy 2:1-6; Ephesians 6:18)

\* Please remain seated.

LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4)

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.

#### THE SACRAMENT

(Matthew 26; Mark 14; Luke 22; 1 Corinthians 11)

#### **PREFACES**

\* Please stand.

M: The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22; 2 Thessalonians 3:16)

C: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts. (Colossians 3:1; Lamentations 3:41)

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

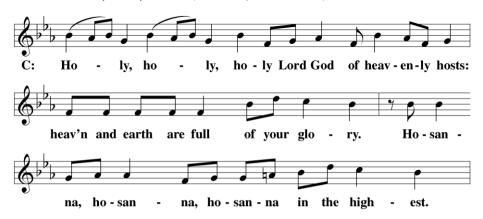
M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God. (Psalm 107:1; Psalm 136)

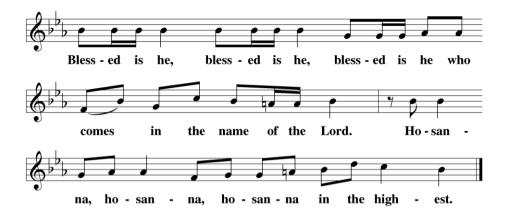
C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory.

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

#### **SANCTUS** – *HOLY, HOLY, HOLY* (Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)





#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION (Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-24)

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my † body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my † blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

#### PAX DOMINI - THE PEACE OF THE LORD (John 20:19)

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

### AGNUS DEI – O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (John 1:29; Isaiah 53:7)





\* Please be seated.

#### **DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION** (1 Corinthians 11:26)

#### Personal Prayer before Holy Communion

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior. Amen.

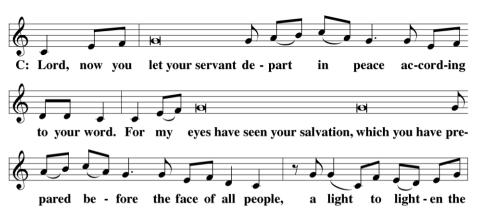
#### **DISTRIBUTION MUSIC** 312 "Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared"

#### Personal Prayer after Holy Communion

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

#### NUNC DIMITTIS - SONG OF SIMEON (Luke 2:29-32)

\* Please stand.





#### **THANKSGIVING** (Psalm 118:1)

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: And his mercy endures forever.

#### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

M: O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

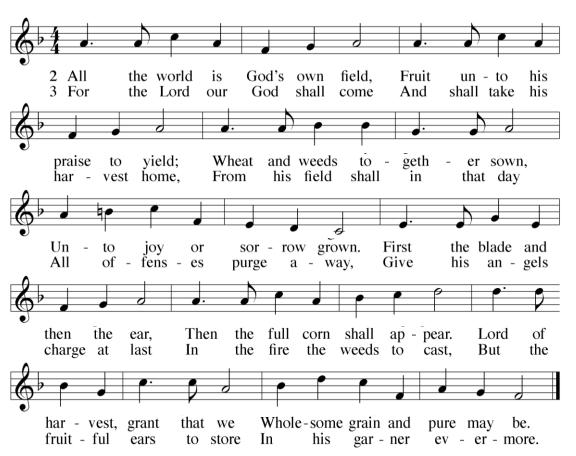
#### **AARONIC BENEDICTION** (Numbers 6:24-26)

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

<sup>\*</sup> Please be seated.



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#### Personal Prayer for after Worship

Good Shepherd, I was glad to be here, gathered with your flock to worship you. Cause the Word I have heard to take root in my heart and bear fruit in my life. Guide me in paths of righteousness, that my words and actions might lead others to glorify you. In your Name, I pray. Amen.

**Special thanks to:** Lois Buske for serving as cantora; Peter Hermanson for recording the video of the service and playing the music; and Matthias & Sarah Leyrer and Jonas & Sarah Leyrer for serving as Janna Leyrer's sponsors.

**Offering**: If you have an offering, you can place it in the box in the narthex, mail it to the church, or give online via the link on our church website. Thank you for your financial support of our congregation.

"About the Propers," a document explaining the changeable parts of the service, and "The Congregation at Prayer," a document offering suggestions for daily devotions and Scripture readings are posted on our website.

Thank you for joining us as we together worshiped our Triune God. The Lord be with you this week!

**Please contact Pastor Berg** if you are need of any pastoral care during the week.

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