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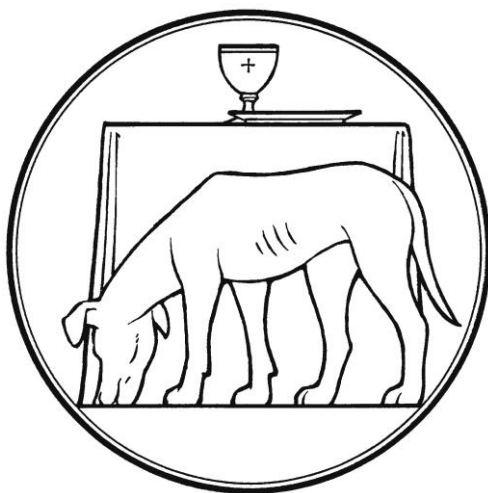


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## *The Church Lives Under the Cross of Christ and Prays in the Hope of His Mercy*

The chosen people of God could see nothing in Christ but a breaker of man-made traditions. Jesus' words to them could not be harsher. They were the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophesy: their outward rites and rituals belied an inward spiritual emptiness.

After leaving the land of God's chosen people, Jesus found a woman - a Canaanite woman - who received the Word of God and trusted in God's promises in a way that shamed every one of the religious teachers. By her persistent prayer that Jesus would have mercy and help her, and even in the face of his initial silence and apparent rejection, the Canaanite woman boldly confessed her faith in him.

The Canaanite woman's beautiful example encourages us to cling to the words and promises of the Gospel, even in the face of the Law that accuses and condemns us. The woman's faith and hope were not disappointed, but her prayers were answered in the mercy of Christ. Likewise with us, Jesus not only gives us the crumbs from his table, but he also feeds abundantly with the Bread of Life.

# ✚ DIVINE SERVICE I ✚

## THE PREPARATION

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

### OPENING HYMN

393 *"If Your Beloved Son, O God"*



1 If your be - lov - ed Son, O God, Had  
2 But now I find sweet peace and rest; De -  
3 I trust in him with all my heart; Now  
4 All right - eous - ness by works is vain; The  
5 My guilt, O Fa - ther, you have laid On



not to earth de - scend - ed And in our  
spair no more reigns o'er me. No more am  
all my sor - row ceas - es. His words a -  
law brings con - dem - na - tion. True right - eous -  
Christ, your Son, my Sav - ior. Lord Je - sus,



mor - tal flesh and blood Had not sin's pow - er  
I by sin op - pressed, For Christ has borne sin  
bid - ing peace im - part; His blood from guilt re -  
ness by faith I gain; Christ's work is my sal -  
you my debt have paid And gained for me God's



end - ed, Then this poor, wretch - ed soul of  
for me. Up - on the cross for me he  
leas - es. Free grace through him I now ob -  
va - tion. His death, that per - fect sac - ri -  
fav - or. O Ho - ly Spir - it, Fount of



mine In hell e - ter - nal - ly would pine  
died That, rec - on - ciled, I might a - bide  
tain; He wash - es me from ev - 'ry stain,  
fice, Has paid the all - suf - fi - cient price;  
grace, The good in me to you I trace;



Be - cause of my trans - gres - sion.  
With you, my God, for - ev - er.  
And pure I stand be - fore him.  
In him my hope is an - chored.  
In faith and hope pre - serve me.

#### INVOCATION (Matthew 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14)

*\* Please stand.*

**M:** In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

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

**M:** Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

*\* Please remain silent for reflection on God's Word and for repentant self-examination.*

**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.

**KYRIE – LORD, HAVE MERCY** (Mark 10:47; Luke 17:12-13)

Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy  
on us. Lord, have mer-cy on us. A - men.

**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.

C: Amen.

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

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

Glo - ry to God in the  
high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.  
Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and  
Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the

high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly

Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us.

You are seat - ed at the right hand of the

Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer, re -

ceive our prayer. Glo - ry to God in the

high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. For

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the

Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the  
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. Glo - ry to God in the  
high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.  
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God!

**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.

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift of grace that we come into your presence and offer true and faithful service. Grant that our worship on earth may always be pleasing to you, and in the life to come give us the fulfillment of what you have promised; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*\* Please be seated.*

# THE WORD

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

## FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 56:1,6-8

*\* After the reading of the Lesson:*

M: The Word of Our Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 133-134

*\* 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.*

M: Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

M: How good and pleasant it is

**C: when brothers live together in unity!**

M: For there the LORD bestows his blessing,

**C: even life forevermore.**

**All: Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.**

M: Praise the LORD, all you servants of the LORD

**C: who minister in the house of the LORD.**

M: Lift up your hands in the sanctuary

**C: and praise the LORD.**

M: May the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth,

**C: bless you from Zion.**

**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: Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.**



## SECOND LESSON

Romans 11:13-15,28-32

*\* After the reading of the Lesson:*

M: The Word of Our Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## VERSE OF THE DAY

Hebrews 4:12 (Psalm 150; Revelation 19)

M: Alleluia. "The Word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart." Alleluia.

## GOSPEL OF THE DAY

Matthew 15:21-28

*\* Please stand.*

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

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

**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!**

*\* Please be seated.*



1 When in the hour of ut - most need We know not  
 2 Then is our com - fort this a - lone That we may  
 3 For you have prom - ised, Lord, to heed Your chil - dren's  
 4 And so we come, O God, to - day And all our  
 5 So that with all our hearts we may To you our



where to look for aid, When days and nights of  
 meet be - fore your throne; To you, O faith - ful  
 cries in time of need Through him whose name a -  
 woes be - fore you lay. Be with us in our  
 glad thanks - giv - ing pay, Then walk o - be - dient



anx - ious thought Nor help nor coun - sel yet have brought,  
 God, we cry For res - cue in our mis - er - y.  
 lone is great, Our Sav - ior and our ad - vo - cate.  
 an - guish still; Free us at last from ev - 'ry ill,  
 to your Word And now and ev - er praise you, Lord.

## SERMON

Matthew 15:21-28

## NICENE CREED (Romans 10:9-10; Philippians 2:10-11)

\* 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 † of the world to come. Amen.**

*\* Please be seated.*

**OFFERTORY MUSIC**      402    *“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”*

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

*\* Please remain seated.*

*The Christian Church has traditionally marked August 24<sup>th</sup> as a day to thank God for his work through St. Bartholomew, Apostle. We will recognize this minor festival in our prayers today.*

**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.**

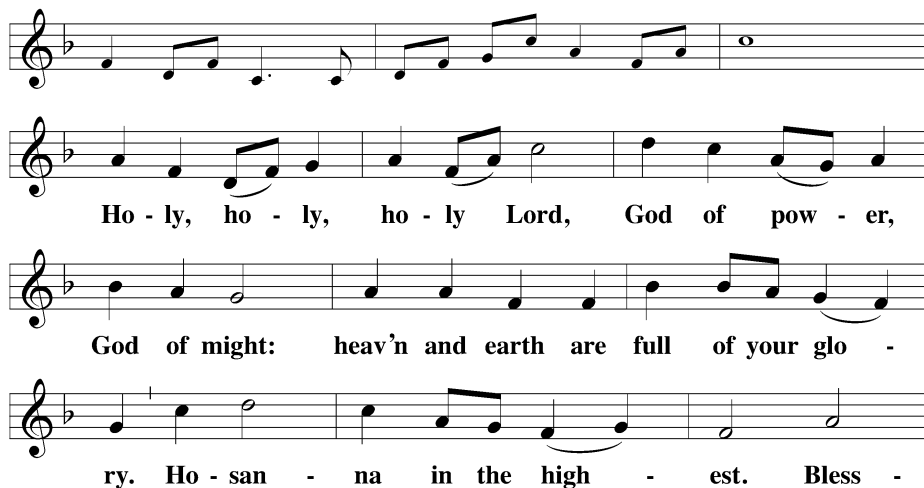
**M:** Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God. (Psalm 107:1; Psalm 136)

**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)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,  
God of might: heav'n and earth are full of your glo -  
ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless -

ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -  
na in the high - est. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

**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."

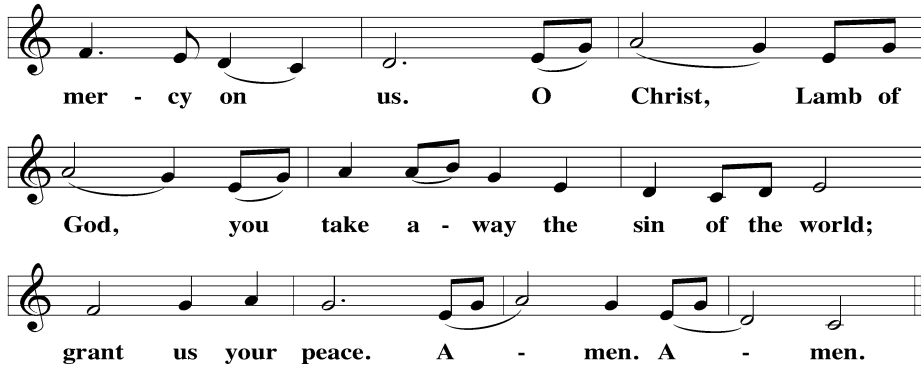
**PAX DOMINI – THE PEACE OF THE LORD** (John 20:19)

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)

O Christ, Lamb of  
God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of  
God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of  
 God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
 grant us your peace. A - men. A - men.

\* 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.*

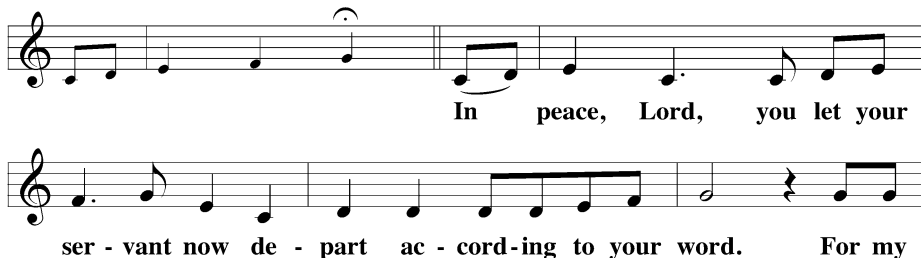
**DISTRIBUTION MUSIC** 312 "Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared"

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.



In peace, Lord, you let your  
 ser - vant now de - part ac - cord - ing to your word. For my

eyes have seen your sal - va - tion, which you have pre-pared for  
 ev-'ry peo - ple, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the  
 glo - ry, the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

**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 BENEDECTION** (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.  
 C: **Amen.**

\* *Please be seated.*

CLOSING HYMN

577 v 1 "Rise, O Light of Gentile Nations"

1 Rise, O Light of Gen - tile na - tions, Je - sus, bright and  
Morn - ing Star; Let your Word, the glad - some ti - dings,  
Ring out loud - ly near and far, Bring - ing  
free - dom to the cap - tives, Peace and com - fort  
to the slave, That the hea - then, free from  
bond - age, May pro - claim your pow'r to save.

The image shows a musical score for a closing hymn. It consists of six staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the notes. The music is simple and melodic, with a clear rhythm. The lyrics are: "1 Rise, O Light of Gen - tile na - tions, Je - sus, bright and Morn - ing Star; Let your Word, the glad - some ti - dings, Ring out loud - ly near and far, Bring - ing free - dom to the cap - tives, Peace and com - fort to the slave, That the hea - then, free from bond - age, May pro - claim your pow'r to save." The score ends with a double bar line.

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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:*** Ben Leyrer for recording the video of the service.

***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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