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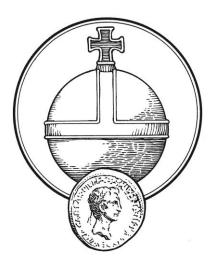


## Nain Evangelical Lutheran Church

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We Are Recreated in the Image of God by the Cross of Christ

Plotting against Jesus, the Pharisees attempted to trap him in his words by asking about the payment of taxes to Caesar (Matthew 22:15). The Lord pointed to coins required for the tax, and he answered that we should "give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's" (Matthew 22:21).

The Lord of History has not only established the spiritual kingdom, but he also has established earthly governments to carry out his will. As people in God's spiritual kingdom and in an earthly kingdom, Christians show honor and respect to the Lord when they show honor and respect to their government.

We recognize that we owe much more than taxes to God. If coins bearing the image of an earthly ruler should be rendered to him, then man—who is made in the image of God—must be rendered to the Lord. That tax is paid for us by the Lord Jesus, the Image of God in the flesh, by his self-offering on the cross. In response, we are moved by faith to thank, praise, serve, and obey him. In response, we are moved by faith to thank, praise, serve, and obey him.

# + COMMON SERVICE +

## THE PREPARATION

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

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**OPENING HYMN** 278 "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" 1 Ho ly God. praise your name; Lord of we 2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial song An gel

choirs a gin's Son, 3 Blest Re - deem - er, vir -O ver death his 4 Ho ly Fa - ther, ho \_ ly Son, Ho ly Spir - it, bow be - fore you. All earth ter claim: on your scep are rais - ing: Proph - ets, join bove mar tyrs the throng. vic - t'ry claim-ing, Now as cend ed his throne, to we name you; Though in three es sence on ly one, -All a - dore you. heav'n a bove fi - nite in In your un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing In With the Church in king, Judge and his grace pro-claim-ing, O - pens heav'n to di - vid - ed God we claim you, Then. Un a - dor - ing, Ev your reign. do - main. er - last ing is vast Ho ly, ac - cord: ho ho ly Lord! one \_ ly, -Praise all his own. and thanks to God a - lone! the knee And con - fess bend the mys ter - y.

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

\* Please stand.

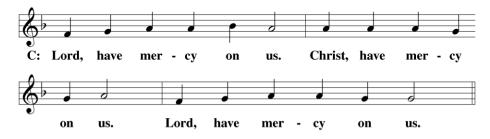
M: In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

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)



## 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.

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



**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.

Lord, keep your household, the Church, in continual godliness and set us free from all adversities, that under your protection, we may serve you with true devotion and holy deeds; 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 45:1-7

\* After the reading of the Lesson:

- M: The Word of Our Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God!

## PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 96

- \* 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: Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord a new song.
- M: Sing to the LORD, praise his name;
- C: proclaim his salvation day after day.
- M: Declare his glory among the nations,
- C: his marvelous deeds among all peoples.

- M: Worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness;
- C: tremble before him, all the earth.

All: Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord a new song.

- M: Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;
- C: let the sea resound, and all that is in it;
- M: let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them.
- C: Then all the trees of the forest will sing for joy;
- M: for he comes to judge the world in righteousness
- C: and the peoples in his truth.

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: Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord a new song.

SECOND LESSON 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5a

- \* After the reading of the Lesson:
- M: The Word of Our Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God!

VERSE OF THE DAY Ephesians 2:10a (Psalm 150; Revelation 19)

M: Alleluia. "For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works." 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 22:15-21

\* Please stand.

- M: The Holy Gospel for the Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost, according to St. Matthew, chapter twenty-two.
- C: Glory be to you, O Lord!

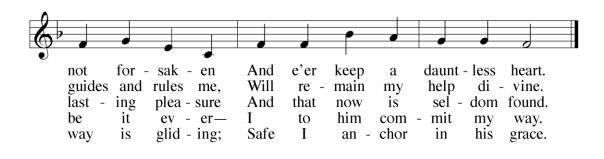
\* After the reading of the Gospel:

- M: This is the Gospel of our Lord!
- C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

\* Please be seated.

### HYMN OF THE DAY 421 "All Depends on Our Possessing"





SERMON Matthew 22:15-21

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  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

\* Please be seated.

**OFFERTORY MUSIC** 485 "We Give Thee but Thine Own"

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

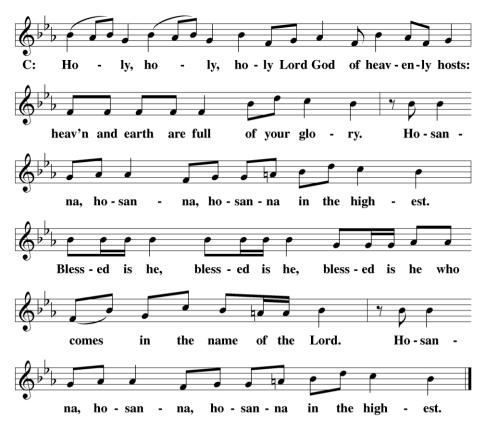
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- M: The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22; 2 Thessalonians 3:16)
- C: And also with you.

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:



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

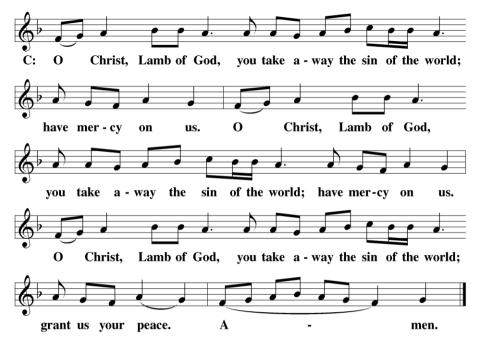
M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

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** 314 "O Living Bread from Heaven"

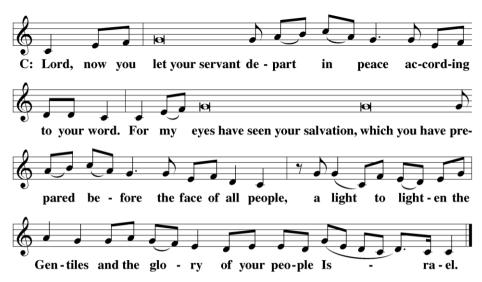
316 "O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee"

#### 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

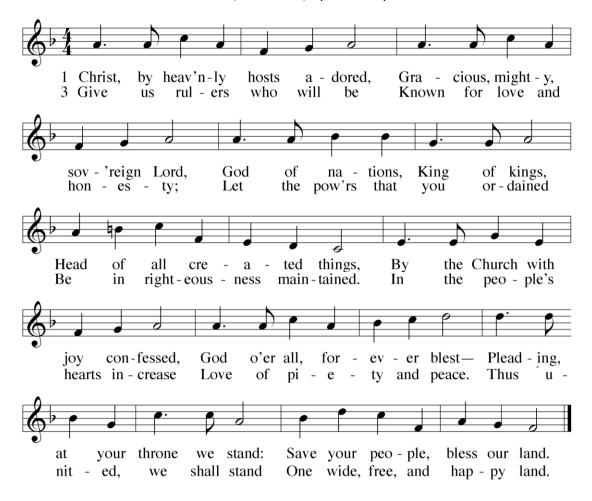
- M: O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that 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.
- C: Amen.
- \* Please be seated.

CLOSING HYMN 617

617 vv 1,3 "Christ, by Heavenly Hosts Adored"



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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:** Amy Hermanson for serving as cantor; Ben Leyrer for recording the video of the service; and Peter Hermanson for running the sound and playing the music.

**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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