## St. John's Lutheran Church



# Order of Worship

by Pastor Aaron Mol

#### 605 Father Welcomes



## Confession and Absolution

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

- In the name of the Father and of the ⅓ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **©** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

## Service of the Word

#### Introit

Psalm 127:3-5; antiphon: v. 1a

Unless the LORD builds the house,

those who build it labor in vain.

Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD,

the fruit of the womb a reward.

Like arrows in the hand of a warrior

are the children of one's youth.

Blessèd is the man who fills his quiver with them!

He shall not be put to shame when he speaks with his enemies in the gate.

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. Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain.



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.





Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!

O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.

For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

#### Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

Merciful Father, Your patience and loving-kindness toward us have no end. Grant that by Your Holy Spirit we may always think and do those things that are pleasing in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

### **Old Testament Reading**

Genesis 2:18-25

Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." So out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man."

Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

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

**Epistle** Hebrews 2:1-13

Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

Now it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. It has been testified somewhere,

"What is man, that you are mindful of him, or the son of man, that you care for him?

You made him for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned him with glory and honor, putting everything in subjection under his feet."

Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering. For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one origin. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers, saying,

"I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise."

And again,

"I will put my trust in him."

And again,

"Behold, I and the children God has given me."

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

#### Alleluia and Verse



## Holy Gospel

Mark 10:2-16

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

Pharisees came up and in order to test [Jesus] asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of divorce and to send her away." And Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate."

And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. And he said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her, and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

#### 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,
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

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

Sit

## 863 Our Father, by Whose Name



#### Sermon

#### Psalm of Meditation

Psalm 128; antiphon: v. 1

Blessèd is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks in his ways!

You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands; you shall be blessed, and it shall be well with you.

Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your children will be like olive shoots around your table.

Behold, thus shall the man be blessed who fears the LORD.

The LORD bless you from Zion!

May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life!

May you see your children's children!

Peace be upon Israel!

Stand

## Prayer of the Church

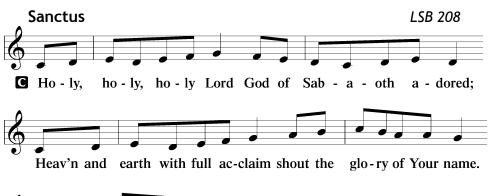
- **P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For the Spirit's help to receive the kingdom of God in humble repentance like little children, that we may enter it in the joy of His forgiveness in Christ, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, that we may pay closer attention to God's Word, lest we drift away from it and neglect the great salvation it reveals to us in Christ, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For the engaged, the newly married and those who have shared many years together, that the Lord, who joins man and woman together in a reflection of His eternal love so that they are no longer two but one flesh, would bless them

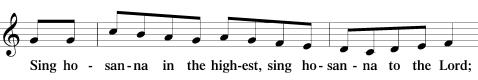
- with even more of His love, to live together in it with joy their whole lives long, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For all parents who have brought their children to Christ in the waters of Holy Baptism, that they would continue to bring them to Christ faithfully in the Divine Service, so that He may continue to take them in His arms and bless them through His Word, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For eyes of faith, that when we do not see everything subject to Jesus, yet we would see Him crowned with glory and honor at Your right hand and so believe that nothing is outside of His control, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For especially Kristine, Catherine, Emily, Ron, Barbaralee, Steve, Lidia, Irene, Muriel, Joanie, Michele, Timothy, Rob, James, Nicole, Richard, Phyllis, Sally, Steven, Davin, Regan, Aiden, Ed, Giuseppe, Alex, Alfred, William, Claudio, Dorothy, Stephen, Zebulun, Eleanor, Naomi, Pat, Mariah, Bob, Suzanne, Albert, Richard, and all others who suffer in body or mind, that they would take comfort that God has made the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering, and so in all their trials they may put their trust in Him, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For all who eat and drink Christ's body and blood today, that the Lord would deepen us in the truth that Christ has made us bone of His bone and flesh of His flesh, and so not doubt but believe that He will hold fast to us forever, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

### Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 208

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead, all who believe in Him will rise again to new 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:





Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

## Lord's Prayer

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

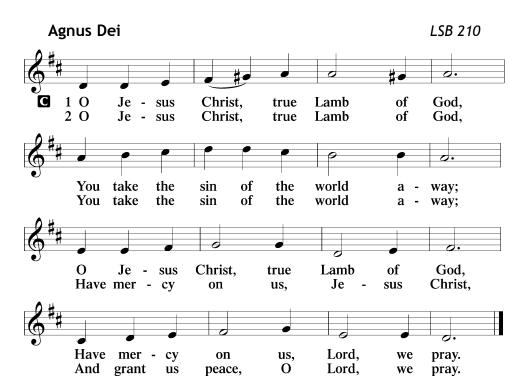
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and

gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + 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 + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

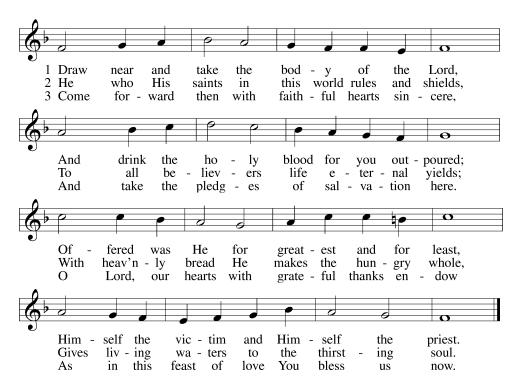
#### Pax Domini

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



## Distribution & Distribution Hymn

## 637 Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord



Stand

#### **Dismissal**



#### **Post-Communion Collect**

#### **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 in 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.

#### C Amen.

- **A** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

#### **Benediction**

- The Lord bless you and keep you.

  The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
- C Amen.

Closing hymn on next page



## Bible Study Schedule

October 3 – Daniel Chapters 5 & 6 October 10 – Daniel Chapter 7

October 17 – Daniel Chapters 8 & 9

## Announcement

Margaret Eppler will be turning 100 years of age on October 11<sup>th</sup>!

As of this time, Margaret may or may not be at her home so if you wish to send a card, letter, or gift to her you may bring it to church and all items will be delivered to her once her location is confirmed.

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