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Opening Hymn: Alleluia! Let Praises Ring

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Opening Versicles

[Psalm 51:15; Psalm 70:1]

P O Lord, open my lips,
 C **and my mouth will declare Your praise.**
 P Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
 C **make haste to help me, O Lord,
 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.**

Confession of Sins

(adapted from Compline)

P Today in the Gospel Lesson we will hear that God has called those who have seen Christ to be His witnesses. As we gather together as His people, God is truly present among us, and the eyes of our minds are open to see our Savior. Therefore, as His witnesses, we are to stand lovingly and confess His truth in a world drowning in sin. Yet we often look to our own interests instead of those of our neighbor and we often place our name above God's and keep silent when we should speak His truth. We have all failed as witnesses and often represent Christ poorly. This morning, as the church has done for centuries at the close of day, we will confess these and all our sins to one another, and then by the power of the keys, absolve one another as a congregation.

*First the left side of the church L will confess
 and the right side R absolve.*

L I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word and deed

by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

R **The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness and remission of all your sins. Amen.**

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Entrance Hymn: O Sing to the Lord

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1 O sing to the Lord, O sing God a new song. O sing to the
 2 For God is the Lord! And God has done won-ders. For God is the
 Lord, O sing God a new song. O sing to the Lord, O
 Lord! And God has done won-ders. For God is the Lord! And
 sing God a new song. O sing to our God, O sing to our God.
 God has done won-ders. O sing to our God, O sing to our God.

3 So dance for our God And blow all the trumpets.
 So dance for our God And blow all the trumpets.
 So dance for our God And blow all the trumpets.
 And sing to our God, And sing to our God.

4 O shout to our God, Who gave us the Spirit.
 O shout to our God, Who gave us the Spirit.
 O shout to our God, Who gave us the Spirit.
 O sing to our God, O sing to our God.

5 For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia!
For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia!
For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia!
O sing to our God, O sing to our God.

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Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 62:1–7

¹For Zion’s sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem’s sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. ²The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. ³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. ⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. ⁵For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you. ⁶On your walls, O Jerusalem, I have set watchmen; all the day and all the night they shall never be silent. You who put the LORD in remembrance, take no rest, ⁷and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it a praise in the earth.

Epistle Reading

Romans 10:11–17

¹¹For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

¹⁴But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching?

¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

Gospel Reading

Luke 24:44–53

⁴⁴Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

⁵⁰Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. ⁵¹While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵²And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, ⁵³and were continually in the temple blessing God.

Apostles Creed

Sermon Hymn: Christ the Eternal Lord

Sermon

Offering

Hymn of Thanks: Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying

Call to Prayer - Kyrie

P O Lord,
C **Have mercy.**
P O Christ,
C **Have mercy.**
P O Lord,
C **Have mercy.**

Lord's Prayer

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.**

Versicles

P Hear my prayer, O Lord;
C **let my cry come to You.**
P In the day of my trouble I call upon You;
C **for You answer me.**
P Hide Your face from my sins,
C **and blot out all my iniquities.**
P Create in me a clean heart, O God,
C **and renew a right spirit within me.**
P Cast me not away from Your presence,
C **and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.**
P Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,
C **and uphold me with a willing spirit.**
P Because Your steadfast love is better than life,
C **my lips will praise You.**
P For You have been my help,
C **and in the shadow of Your wings I will sing for joy.**

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P Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk in Your truth;
 C **unite my heart to fear Your name.**
 P I give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
 C **and I will glorify Your name forever.**
 P May all who seek You rejoice and be glad in You.
 C **May those who love Your salvation say evermore, "God is great!"**
 P Save Your people and bless Your heritage!
 C **Be their shepherd and carry them forever.**
 P Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer;
 C **listen to my plea for grace.**

Collect of the Day

P Let us pray together the collect of the day.
 C **Almighty God, in Your kindness You cause the light of the Gospel to shine among us. By the working of Your Holy Spirit, help us to share the good news of Your salvation that all who hear it may rejoice in the gift of Your unending love; through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.**

Collect of Grace and Forgiveness

P Spare us, O Lord, and mercifully forgive us our sins. Though by our continual transgressions we have merited Your chastisements, be gracious to us. Grant that all these punishments which we have deserved may not come upon us, but that all things may work to our everlasting good; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
 C **Amen.**

Collect for Seasonable Weather

P Most gracious God and Father, we thank and praise You for sending rain to water the earth, causing it to be fruitful and to bring forth food in plenteous supply. We ask that you send us seasonable weather. Teach us ever to remember that we do not live on bread alone in order that we may receive Your blessings with thanksgiving and Your Word with grateful hearts; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
 C **Amen.**

Collect for the Nation

P Almighty God, You have given us this good land as our heritage. Grant that we remember Your generosity and constantly do Your will. Bless our land with honest industry, truthful education, and an honorable way of life. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion, from pride and arrogance, and from every evil course of action. Grant that we, who came from many nations with many different languages,

may become a united people. Support us in defending our liberties, and give those to whom we have entrusted the authority of government the spirit of wisdom, that there may be justice and peace in our land. Protect our soldiers and government officials, especially those who work overseas. When times are prosperous, may our hearts be thankful, and in troubled times do not let our trust in You fail; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
 C **Amen.**

Collect for Those in Physical Need

(P “We pray for _____ and those in our hearts with all who are in physical need.” A moment of silence may be observed for individuals to name in the hearts those whom they know in physical need.)

P O Father of mercies and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need, look with favor upon all who are ill or recovering, all who face surgery or tests, all who are homebound. Assure them of Your mercy, deliver them from the temptations of the evil one, and give them patience and comfort in their struggles. If it please You, restore all who are sick to health, and give all who suffer grace to accept tribulation with courage and hope; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
 C **Amen.**

Luther’s Morning Prayer

C **I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

Benedicamus and Blessing

[Psalm 103:1]

P Let us bless the Lord.
 C **Thanks be to God.**
 L The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.
 C **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: Lift High the Cross

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