

Opening Hymn

837 When Will I Walk



1 When will I walk the shin - ing streets of gold
 2 When will I wear the robe of bril - liant white
 3 When will I win what Je - sus won for me—



which lie be - hind the mas - sive gates of pearl,
 and raise a - loft the vic - tor's branch of palm,
 a par - a - dise of rest - ful, won - drous peace,



where saints tri - um - phant live in bliss un - told,
 where long - for - got - ten is the no - ble fight
 where day is bright and night will nev - er be,



and all a - round the al - le - lu - ias swirl?
 and glass - y seas be - tray a per - fect calm?
 and joy - ful - ness will ev - er - more in - crease?



Refrain

My days, O Lord, are trou - ble - filled and few, and



I'm not home un - til I'm home with you.

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Stand

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Confession

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If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.
**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. 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 $\dagger$ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

CW 174

In peace let us pray to the Lord.



For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



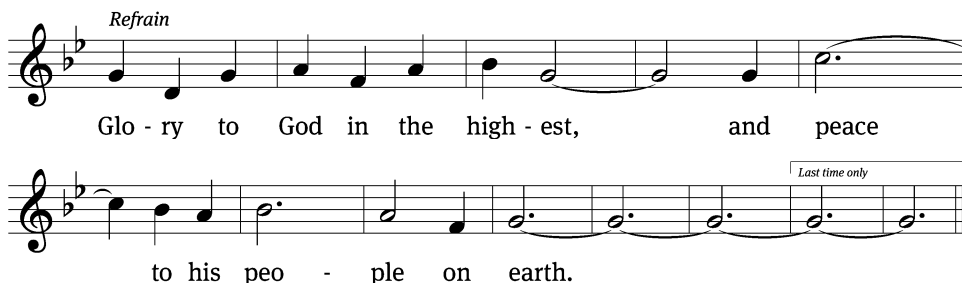
Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



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Glory to God in the Highest

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Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. *Refrain*

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. *Refrain*

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen. Amen. *Refrain*

The Word

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Living God, your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of your grace to lay hold of your promises and live forever in your presence; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Isaiah 65:17–25

¹⁷Watch this! I am about to create new heavens and a new earth.

The former things will not be remembered.

They will not come to mind.

¹⁸Instead, rejoice and celebrate forever, because of what I am creating.

Watch this! I am about to create Jerusalem to be a source of gladness, and her people will be a source of joy.

¹⁹I also will be glad because of Jerusalem, and I will rejoice over my people.

The sound of weeping will not be heard in her again, nor will the sound of crying.

²⁰There will never again be an infant there who lives for only a few days, or an elderly man who does not fill out all his days, for one who dies at a hundred will be considered a young man, and one who fails to attain the age of one hundred will be regarded as cursed.

²¹Then they will build houses and live in them.

They will plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

²²They will not build a house and have another person live in it.

They will not plant and have another person eat the crop, for the days of my people will be like the days of a tree, and my chosen ones will enjoy all the work of their hands.

²³They will not labor only to receive nothing,

and they will not give birth to children doomed to disaster,
for they will be offspring who are blessed by the LORD,
and their descendants will be with them.

²⁴Then even before they call, I will answer.

While they are still speaking, I will hear.

²⁵The wolf and the lamb will graze together,

and lions will eat straw like cattle,

but the serpent will eat dust as its food.

They will not harm or destroy anywhere on my holy mountain,
says the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 148

Alleluia! Praise the Lord!

Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the LORD!



1 Let the whole cre - a - tion cry, "Glo - ry
2 Men and wom - en, young and old, raise the
3 Praise the LORD, you hosts a - bove, ev - er
4 From the north to south - ern pole let the



to the LORD on high." Heav'n and earth, a - wake and
an - them man - i - fold. Join with chil - dren's songs of
shin - ing forth in love. Sun and moon, up - lift your
might - y cho - rus roll: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly



sing, "God is our e - ter - nal King."
praise; wor - ship God through length of days.
voice; night and stars, in God re - joice!
One, glo - ry be to God a - lone!"

Refrain

Second Reading

Revelation 22:1–5

¹The angel showed me the river of the water of life, which was as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and the Lamb. ²In the middle of the city's street and on each side of the river was a tree of life that yielded twelve kinds of fruit. The tree yields its fruit every month, and its leaves are for the healing of the nations.

³There will no longer be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city. His servants will worship him. ⁴They will see his face. His name will be on their foreheads. ⁵There will no longer be any night or any need for lamplight or sunlight, because the Lord God will shine on them. And they will reign forever and ever.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 20:38



Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Tone



Refrain

He is not the God of the dead, but of the liv - ing, for to him all are a - live.

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Gospel

Luke 20:27–38

²⁷Some of the Sadducees (who say there is no resurrection) came to him. ²⁸They asked him a question, “Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies leaving a wife but no children, his brother should take the wife and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹So there were seven brothers. The first took a wife and died childless. ³⁰The second took her as a wife, ³¹and so did the third, and in the same way the seven died and left no children. ³²Finally the

woman died too. ³³So in the resurrection, whose wife will she be? For the seven had her as a wife.”

³⁴Jesus said to them, “The people of this age marry and are given in marriage. ³⁵But those who are considered worthy to experience that age and the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶In fact, they cannot die any more, for they are like the angels. They are sons of God, because they are sons of the resurrection.

³⁷“Even Moses showed in the account about the burning bush that the dead are raised, when he called the Lord: ‘The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.’ ³⁸He is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for all are alive to him.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Hymn of the Day

882 What Joy to Join the Chorus



- 1 What joy to join the cho - rus, to look in Je - sus' eyes,
- 2 What love will then be shown us when we with them ap - pear!
- 3 There love - ly harps are sound - ing, up - rais - ing mu - sic's voice,
- 4 There God shall from all e - vil for - ev - er make us free,



whose blood and suf - f'ring for us have o - pened par - a - dise,
They will not blush to own us as broth - ers, sis - ters dear.
and there, in bliss a - bound - ing, we shall in God re - joice.
from sin and from the dev - il, from all ad - ver - si - ty,



where pa - tri - archs are sing - ing and proph - ets raise the cry,
We all shall come be - fore him who for us man be - came,
The an - gels shall a - dore him, all saints shall bring him praise,
from sick - ness, pain, and sad - ness, from trou - bles, cares, and fears,



a - pos - tles, mar - tyrs bring - ing all praise to God Most High!
as Lord and God a - dore him, and ev - er bless his name.
and sing their hymns be - fore him for joy - ful, end - less days.
and grant us heav'n - ly glad - ness and wipe a - way our tears.

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Sermon

Isaiah 65:17–25

“Be Glad and Rejoice Forever”

Stand

Nicene Creed

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 truly 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.

Be seated

Offering

May be left in the offering box in the
entryway or given online



Prayer of the Church

Lord Jesus Christ, blessed are you, the King who comes to set your people free.
Reign over us in your abundant mercy.

While we long for your final coming, we rejoice that you lengthen these end times so that many may hear of your saving work and believe.

Send your Spirit on us that we may use the gift of time to share our faith with others.

Lord and King, defend all who are imprisoned or insulted because of your name. Come to help those whose Christian faith is mocked as foolish or naïve, and rescue those who are straying from the faith.

Lead us to those who need help, guide us in our works of service, and strengthen us with a firm resolve to follow you in obedience.

Lord of the Church, develop in us a new awareness of the gifts you give us to use in our callings, that your kingdom of grace may flourish.

Bless and preserve Christian churches everywhere and raise up another generation of faithful workers.

Both in humiliation and glory you extended your loving hand to the weak and the hurting. Speak to those who are confused and wondering. Defend those who are oppressed and put down. Comfort those who are enduring pain or struggling with sadness. Abide with the aged who are alone as they die and protect pregnant mothers and their unborn children.

Move us to see your face in them, Lord Jesus and to help them as we serve you.

Mighty King, look with mercy on this land, its government, and all the kingdoms of the world. Relieve us from war, bloodshed, and rebellion.

Grant us wisdom as we deal with a changing economy. Provide for the unemployed and their families. Open the hearts of those who prosper to be generous and willing to share.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer.

Coming King and Savior of the world, keep us faithful to the end as we watch and wait for your return.

Amen.

To You, Our Dear Guests ...

Our Saviour Evangelical Lutheran Church practices “**Close Communion**” as commanded by God’s Word (1 Corinthians 11:27; Romans 16:17). Those who are of our *close* fellowship—members in good standing of *our congregation* or those churches *in close fellowship with us* (WELS and ELS)—may commune at our altar. **We ask all others to meet with our pastor first before taking communion with us so he may teach you about this.** Please make an appointment to do so! Thank you for respecting our historic and Scriptural practice.

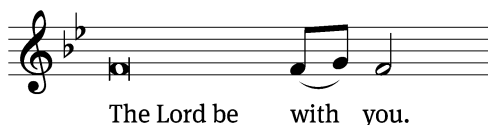


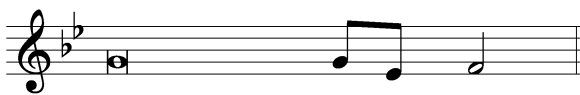
The Sacrament

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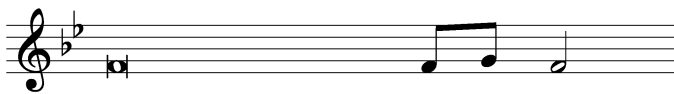
Preface

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We lift them up to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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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 until 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:

Holy, Holy, Holy

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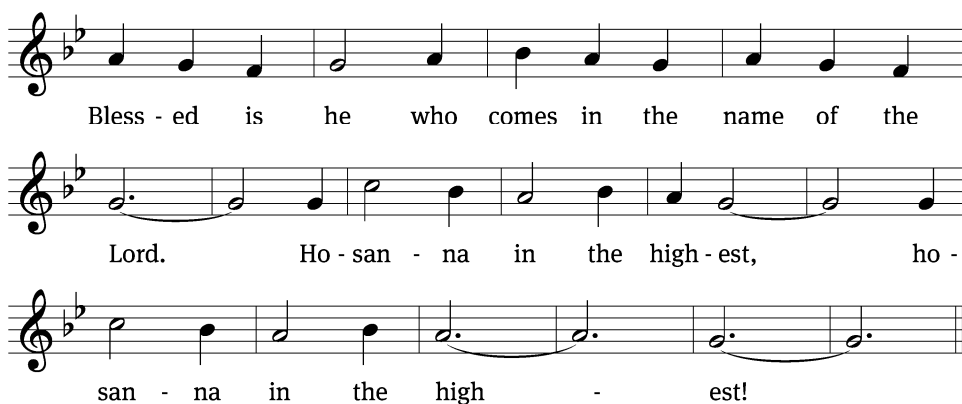
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,



God of might. Heav - en and earth are full of your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord God, you are worthy to receive thanks and praise from all people. You created the world and all who live in it, and in your mercy you saved us. We give thanks to you for the grace of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Though in very nature God, he took the nature of a servant and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. He offered himself as a sacrifice for sin and redeemed us from its curse and penalty. He rescued us from the terrors of death and restored eternal life with you. He conquered our enemies and gained for us the kingdom of grace and glory.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood, and lead us to remember his suffering, death, and resurrection. Forgive our sins and fill us with the hope of new life in heaven. Hear our praise and receive our thanks as we worship you—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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.**

Words of Institution

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.”

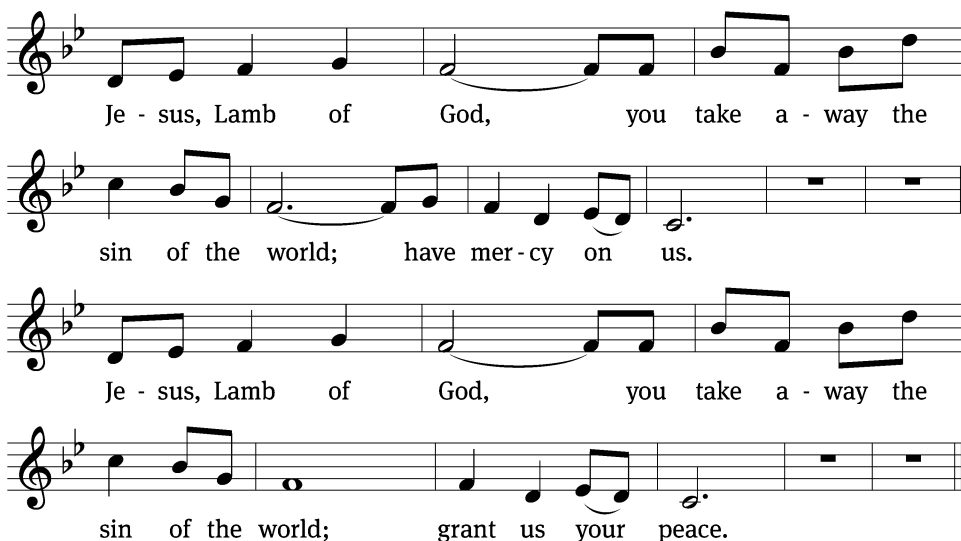
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Amen.

Jesus, Lamb of God

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

Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us your peace.

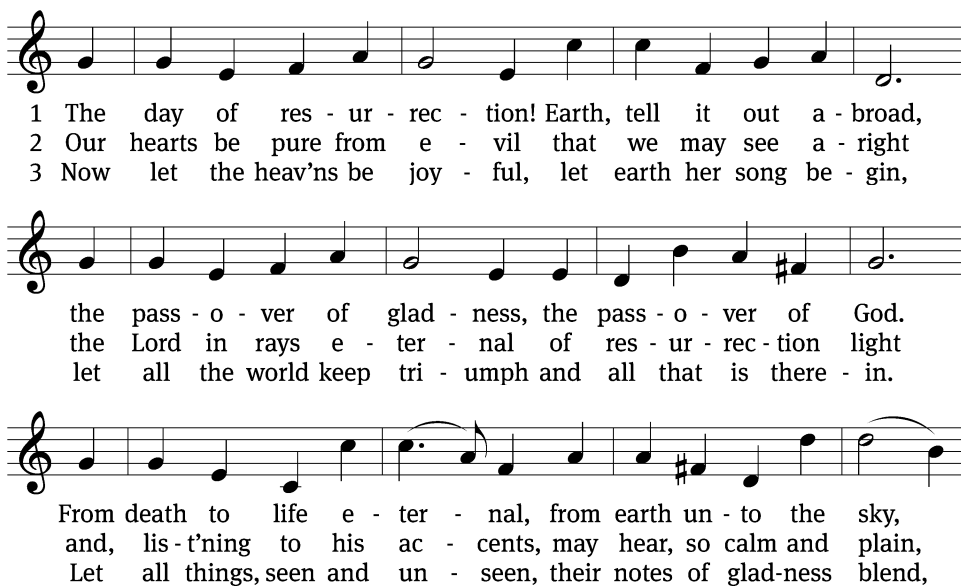
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Be seated

Distribution Hymn

450 The Day of Resurrection



1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,
2 Our hearts be pure from e - vil that we may see a - right
3 Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, let earth her song be - gin,

the pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the pass - o - ver of God.
the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light
let all the world keep tri - umph and all that is there in.

From death to life e - ter - nal, from earth un - to the sky,
and, lis - t'ning to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,
Let all things, seen and un - seen, their notes of glad - ness blend,



our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
his own "All hail!" and, hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.
for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end.

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Stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet you have given us in this Sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit, help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing

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.

Amen.

Closing Hymn

884 Lord, When Your Glory I Shall See



Lord, when your glo - ry I shall see and taste your king-dom's
plea - sure, your blood my roy - al robe shall be, my
joy be - yond all mea - sure! When I ap - pear be - fore your
throne, your right - eous - ness shall be my crown; with
these I need not hide me. And there, in gar - ments rich - ly
wrought, as your own bride I shall be brought, to
stand in joy be - side you.

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