

*Midweek Lenten Eucharist     March 8, 2023*

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

**Congregation: Amen.**

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

Pastor: Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

**Congregation: Who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

**Congregation: And thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

Pastor: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto thee, that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against thee by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring thy grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**All: O Most merciful God, who hast given thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us, and for his sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of thee and of thy will, and true obedience to thy Word, that by thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, hath had mercy upon us, and hath given his only Son to die for us, and for his sake forgiveth us all our sins. To them that believe on his Name, he giveth power to become the children of God, and bestoweth upon them his Holy Spirit. He that believeth, and is baptized, shall be saved. Grant this, O Lord, unto us all.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**Congregation: And with thy spirit.**

Pastor: Let us pray. (The pastor says the Collect for the Day).

**Congregation: Amen.**

The Holy Gospel is announced.

John 5:1-18

**Congregation: Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

*(After the reading of the Gospel, the congregation responds)* **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

The Homily

“The Word and The Elements”

Pastor Hoyer

The Sermon Hymn

*Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness* (vs. 2)

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The Prayers of the Church

*(After each petition the congregation responds)* **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

*An offering will be received at the door.*

*The Offertory is spoken by all:*

**Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free Spirit. Amen**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**Congregation: And with thy spirit.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**Congregation: We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

**Congregation: It is meet and right so to do.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

**Lord's Prayer** is said, followed by the saying of the Lamb of God:

**O Christ, thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace. Amen.**

*Specific instructions for communion will be given by the Pastor. Please receive the host in your flattened palm.*

*If you cannot receive alcohol, please inform the Pastor before the host is dipped in the chalice.*

*If you need gluten free host, please ask before the host is dipped in the chalice.*

Pastor: The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ and his precious Blood strengthen and preserve you unto eternal life.

The Prayer is prayed by the pastor.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**Congregation: And with thy spirit.**

Pastor: Bless we the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

Pastor: The Lord bless thee, and keep thee. The Lord make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

**Congregation: Amen.**

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**SMALL CATECHISM**

**The Sacrament of the Altar**

*Where is this written?*

The holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and St. Paul write: 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."



**A reminder that Daylight Saving Time begins next Sunday.  
Remember to turn your clocks back one hour Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup>.**



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## Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness



1 Soul, a - dorn your-self with glad-ness, leave the gloom-y haunts of sad-ness,  
2 Has - ten as a bride to meet him, ea - ger - ly and glad - ly greet him.  
3 Now in faith I hum-bly pon - der o - ver this sur-pass - ing won - der  
4 Je - sus, source of last-ing plea-sure, tru - est friend, and dear - est trea - sure,



come in - to the day-light's splen-dor, there with joy your prais-es ren - der.  
There he stands al-read - y knock-ing; quick - ly, now, your gate un-lock - ing,  
that the bread of life is bound-less though the souls it feeds are count-less;  
peace be - yond all un - der - stand - ing, joy in - to all life ex - pand - ing:



Bless the one whose grace un-bound-ed this a - maz - ing ban-quet found-ed;  
o - pen wide the fast-closed por - tal, say - ing to the Lord im - mor - tal:  
with the choic - est wine of heav - en Christ's own blood to us is giv - en.  
hum-bly now, I bow be - fore you, love in - car - nate, I a - dore you;



he, though heav'n-ly, high, and ho - ly, deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.  
"Come, and leave your loved one nev - er; dwell with-in my heart for - ev - er."  
Oh, most glo - rious con - so - la - tion, pledge and seal of my sal - va - tion.  
wor - thi - ly let me re - ceive you, and, so fa - vored, nev - er leave you.

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