# **Traditional Eucharist**

(Setting 5)

Deacon's Mass

# Sunday, March 10, 2024

Lectionary 10 4th Sunday in Lent - Year B)

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **PRELUDE MUSIC**

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

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God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone.

Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

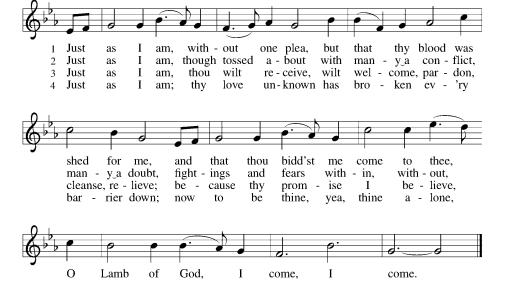
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ.

By grace we have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

May Almighty God strengthen us with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in our hearts through faith. Amen.

## Just As I Am, without One Plea

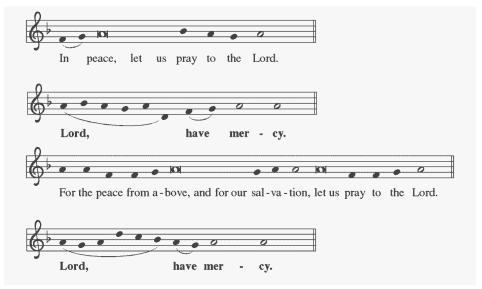


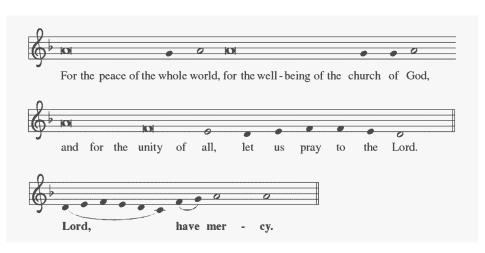
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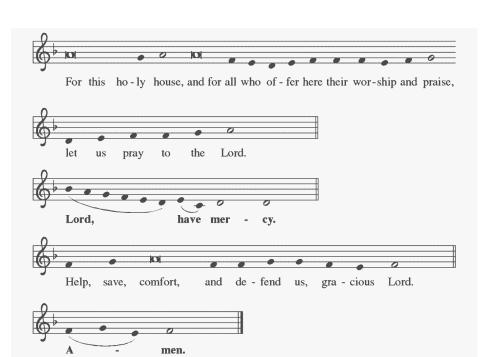
## **GREETING**

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all. And also with you.

KYRIE (Setting 5 / S 156)







## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, rich in mercy, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world and rescued us from the hopelessness of death. Lead us into your light, that all our deeds may reflect your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

#### FIRST READING

Introduction: "A reading from Numbers ."

<sup>4</sup>From Mount Hor [the Israelites] set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom: but the people became impatient on the way. <sup>5</sup>The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water. and we detest this miserable food." 6Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. <sup>7</sup>The people

came to Moses and said. "We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. 8And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." 9So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

After the First Reading the following will be said:

Conclusion: "The word of the Lord."

Response: ("Thanks be to God.")

#### (PFW - Tone 35)

## **PSALM**

(Choir verses in yellow highlight)

Psalm 107:1-3,17-22

(Psalm Tone: PFW - Tone 35 - 0 Flats)



Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good,

for God's mercy en- | dures forever.

<sup>2</sup>Let the redeemed of the | LORD proclaim that God redeemed them from the hand | of the foe.

## <sup>3</sup>gathering them in | from the lands;

from the east and from the west, from the north and I from the south.

<sup>17</sup>Some were fools and took re- | bellious paths; through their sins they | were afflicted.

<sup>18</sup>They loathed all man- I ner of food and drew near I to death's door.

<sup>19</sup>Then in their trouble they cried <sup>1</sup> to the LORD and you delivered them from <sup>1</sup> their distress.

20 You sent forth your | word and healed them and rescued them | from the grave.

<sup>21</sup>Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your | steadfast love and your wonderful works | for all people.

<sup>22</sup>Let them offer sacrifices | of thanksgiving and tell of your deeds with | shouts of joy

#### SECOND READING

Introduction: "A reading from Ephesians."

<sup>1</sup>You were dead through the trespasses and sins 2 in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. 3All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. 4But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us <sup>5</sup>even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—

by grace you have been saved—6and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, 7so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. 8For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God-<sup>9</sup>not the result of works, so that no one may boast. 10 For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

After the Second Reading the following will be said:

Conclusion: "The word of the Lord."

Response: ("Thanks be to God.")

Sung by the choir and the congregation:



#### Sung by a soloist:



God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,\*

# so that everyone who believes in him should not perish, but have e- | ternal life

#### Sung by the choir and the congregation:



#### **GOSPEL**

Introduction: "The Holy Gospel According to John ."

Announcement Response: ("Glory to you, O Lord.")

: <sup>14</sup>"Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

16"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup>"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. <sup>18</sup>Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned

already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. 19And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. 20 For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. <sup>21</sup>But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

After the Gospel Reading the following will be said:

Conclusion: "The Gospel of the Lord."

Concluding Response: ("Praise to you, O Christ.")

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

No. 666

## What Wondrous Love Is This



- 1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
- When I was sink ing down, sink ing down, sink ing down, when
- 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and



won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when I was sink - ing down God and to the Lamb I will sing; to God and to the Lamb, when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free,



that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my be - neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my mil - lions join the theme, I will great I Aм, while through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing sing God's love for and me,



Text: North American folk hymn, 19th cent., alt. Music: WONDROUS LOVE, W. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1835

#### NICENE CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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 with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic 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.

## PRAYERS AND SQUARES MINISTRY: QUILT MINISTRY:

| NAME:  |
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| (Presented by Xxxxxxx Xxxxxxxx   |
| (Sunday:10x:x0 AM Liturgy)   |
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| Loving God, we thank you for the gifts you have given to our Prayers and Squares Ministry: the talent, the gifts of fabric, the time, the gifts we use to create these quilts that are given with love and prayer to those who are struggling. We ask that you continue to help those involved in this ministry to use these gifts to honor you. |
| We ask your blessing upon the recipient of this quilt,  May this quilt wrap with comfort and love.  This we pray in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.  Amen.  |

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

We pray for those within the Trinity family who are sick, hospitalized, or in special need, especially . . .

We pray for those who are serving in the armed forces, especially.

We pray for those outside the Trinity membership who are sick, hospitalized, or in special need, especially . . .

#### A brief silence.

Dear Father, we know the words by heart: "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son." Kindle your Holy Spirit in us, so these words burn bright and pure therein. Let them shine through all our thoughts, words, and deeds. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Form the Church into the perfect image of your beloved Son. Through its witness, let all people know of your great love for them. Lead them to believe in you and receive everlasting life. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Lift up your faithful persecuted Church as a sign of your saving love in a sin-darkened world. Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

Bless the people of this congregation. Center our hearts in your love, given to us in Jesus. Help us to show his love others. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We fervently pray that you will raise up pastors, teachers, missionaries, and evangelists whose hearts burn with the desire to share the Gospel with those who do not know you. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Teach the leaders of the nations the ways of wisdom, integrity, and humility. Do not let them be seduced by power and praise. Fill them with a hunger for justice; a love of mercy; and a desire to work for peace among all people.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Ease the burdens of those who stand in harm's way on behalf of safety, health, and freedom. Make them wise, brave, honest, and good. We also pray that you would give prudence, common sense, and a dash of humility to each of us, to make their jobs a little easier. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

As the Israelites looked upon the bronze serpent and were healed, grant that all who suffer may look upon the Cross of Christ and find healing, forgiveness, and life. Restore them to our fellowship. Bestow upon us all the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We praise you, Father, for receiving into eternal life those who loved Jesus in their mortal life. Keep our minds and hearts firmly fixed on him, too. Let us journey safely through the wilderness of this world into the blessedness and joy of your Promised Land. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

## Intercessions for the Ministries of the NALC

(Number 6) (Focus on the 1st Core Value of the NALC: Christ centered)

We pray for our bishop, Dan (Selbo), for the staff of the North American Lutheran Church, for our Northeast Mission District, for our Atlantic Mission Region, for each of the congregations of the NALC, and especially today for Salem Lutheran Church in Elizabethville, Pennsylvania.

(Defend and protect the people of Immanuel Lutheran Church in New York City as they wage a holy war against the radical evil forces endeavoring to consume their congregation. Afford strength and encouragement to its pastors, Carol and Gregory Fryer, and Lara Bhasin, its congregational leaders, as well as each of its members in this time as they contend with demonic evil.) Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Empower this Church and each congregation to be truly Christ centered as we confess Jesus Christ, as revealed in Scripture, is the Lord of the Church and the only Savior of the World. Guide and direct us to always affirm the Holy Scriptures to be the norm for all matters of our life and faith and to embrace the Lutheran Confessions as a faithful witness to the Scripture. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

As Trinity enters the process of pastoral transition, might the forthcoming decisions that are made by your grace reflect your vision for our faith community. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

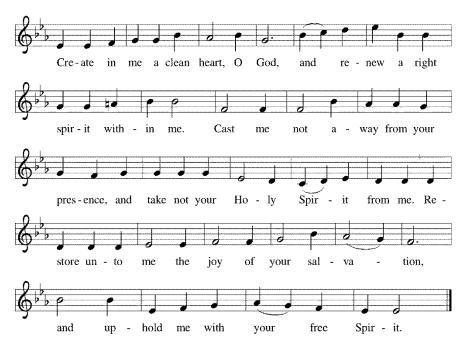
Amen.

## **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

OFFERTORY: (S 188)

## Create in Me a Clean Heart



#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

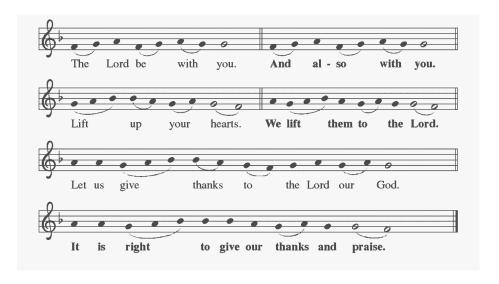
Let us pray.

Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal.
Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace.
We pray this in your name.

Amen.

## **DIALOGUE**

(Setting 5 / S 161a)



## **DIALOGUE**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### **PREFACE**

[LENT]

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace.

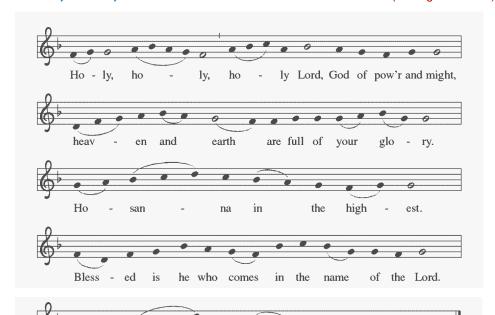
And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

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# **Thanksgiving at the Table:**

Thanksgiving at the Table (The Season of Lent)

Holy God, our living Water and our merciful Guide. together with rivers and seas, wells and springs we bless and magnify you.

You led your people Israel through the desert. and provided them water from the rock.

We praise you for Christ, our Rock and Our Water, who joined us in our desert, pouring out his life for the world.

# In the night in which our Lord Jesus

was betrayed, we recall how He took bread and wine and promised his disciples that they were about to receive his very body and blood.

# In like manner,

as we partake of these consecrated elements of bread and wine, we too are recipients of that very same promise of the forgiveness of our sins and the promise of everlasting life.

- Remembering, therefore, his life, death, and resurrection, we await your salvation for all this thirsty world.
- Pour out your Spirit on this holy food and on all the baptized gathered for this feast: wash away our sin, that we may be revived for our journey by the love of Christ.
- Through him all glory and honor is yours,
  Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
  in your holy Church,
  both now and forever.
  Amen

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

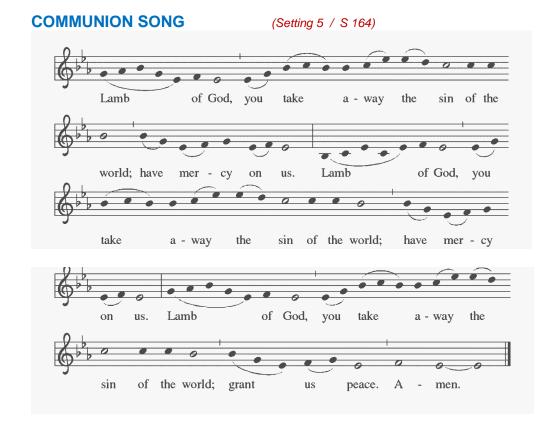
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,

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.

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Bread for the journey. A feast for hungry hearts. Come!



## **COMMUNION**

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. Amen.

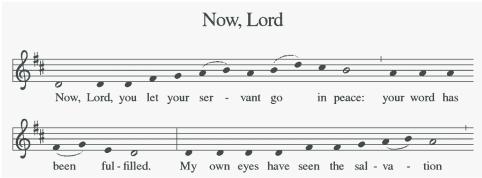
## **BLESSING FOLLOWING EACH TABLE**

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Depart in peace and the Lord go with you. Amen.

## **BLESSING FOLLOWING THE DISTRIBUTION**

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in his grace.





#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life.

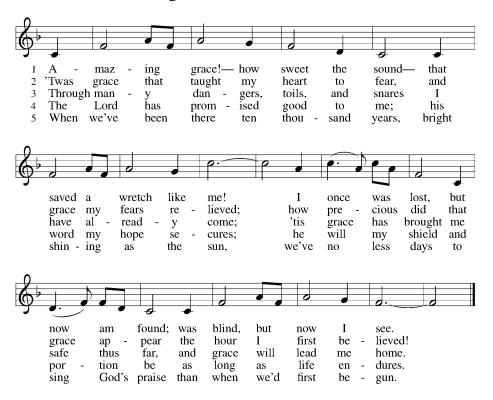
Amen.

## **BLESSING**

People of God, we are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. May the holy Trinity, + one God, bless us now and forever.

Amen.

## Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound



Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt., sts. 1–4; anonymous, st. 5 Music: NEW BRITAIN, W. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1835

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in us. Thanks be to God.