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In a Day of Humiliation & Prayer

The Divine Service

Hymn of Invocation: 726 Evening and Morning



1 Eve - ning and morn - ing, Sun - set and dawn - ing, Wealth, peace, and
2 Fa - ther, O hear me, Par - don and spare me; Calm all my
3 Ills that still grieve me Soon are to leave me; Though bil - lows
4 To God in heav - en All praise be giv - en! Come, let us



glad - ness, Com - fort in sad - ness: These are Thy works; all the
ter - rors, Blot out my er - rors That by Thine eyes they may
tow - er, And winds gain pow - er, Af - ter the storm the fair
of - fer And glad - ly prof - fer To the Cre - a - tor the



glo - ry be Thine! Times with - out num - ber, A - wake or in
no more be scanned. Or - der my go - ings, Di - rect all my
sun shows its face. Joys e'er in - creas - ing And peace nev - er
gifts He doth prize. He well re - ceiv - eth A heart that be -



slum - ber, Thine eye ob - serves us, From dan - ger pre - serves us,
do - ings; As it may please Thee, Re - tain or re - lease me;
ceas - ing: These shall I trea - sure And share in full mea - sure
liev - eth; Hymns that a - dore Him Are pre - cious be - fore Him



Caus - ing Thy mer - cy up - on us to shine.
All I com - mit to Thy fa - ther - ly hand.
When in His man - sions God grants me a place.
And to His throne like sweet in - cense a - rise.

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

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Introit

Psalm 30:1, 4–5; antiphon: v. 10



Hear, O LORD, and be merci- | ful to me!*

O LORD, be my | helper!

I will extol you, O LORD, for you have | drawn me up*

and have not let my foes rejoice | over me.

Sing praises to the LORD, O | you his saints,*

and give thanks to his | holy name.

For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a | lifetime.*

Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the | morning.

Hear, O LORD, and be merci- | ful to me!*

O LORD, be my | helper!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

As it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Hear, O LORD, and be merci- | ful to me!*

O LORD, be my | helper!

Kyrie

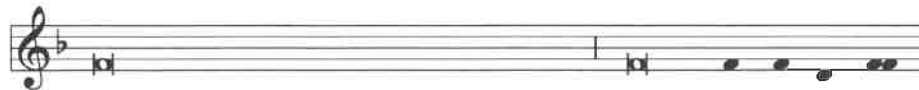
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A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



C Lord, have mer - cy.



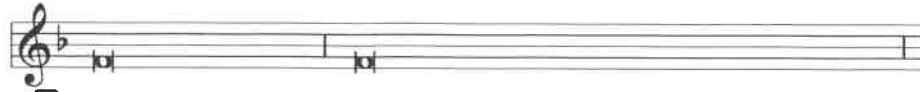
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose compassion never fails and who invites us to call upon You in prayer, hear the heartfelt confession of our sins and receive our humble supplication for Your mercy. Spare us from the just punishment of sin, which our Lord Jesus Christ has borne for us, and enable us to serve You in holiness and purity of life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Old Testament Reading

Joel 2:12-19

¹²“Yet even now,” declares the LORD, “return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; ¹³and rend your hearts and not your garments.”

Return to the LORD, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.

¹⁴Who knows whether he will not turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind him, a grain offering and a drink offering for the LORD your God?

¹⁵Blow the trumpet in Zion; consecrate a fast; call a solemn assembly; ¹⁶gather the people. Consecrate the congregation; assemble the elders; gather the children, even nursing infants. Let the bridegroom leave his room, and the bride her chamber.

¹⁷Between the vestibule and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep and say, "Spare your people, O LORD, and make not your heritage a reproach, a byword among the nations. Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?'"

¹⁸Then the LORD became jealous for his land and had pity on his people.

¹⁹The LORD answered and said to his people, "Behold, I am sending to you grain, wine, and oil, and you will be satisfied; and I will no more make you a reproach among the nations."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 6; antiphon: v. 4



¹O LORD, rebuke me not in your | anger,*
nor discipline me | in your wrath.

²Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am | languishing;*
heal me, O LORD, for my bones are | troubled.

³My soul also is greatly | troubled.*
But you, O LORD— | how long?

⁴Turn, O LORD, deliv- | er my life;*
save me for the sake of your | steadfast love.

⁵For in death there is no remem- | brance of you;*
in Sheol who will | give you praise?

⁶I am weary with my moaning;
every night I flood my | bed with tears;*
I drench my couch with my | weeping.

⁷My eye wastes away be- | cause of grief;*
it grows weak because of | all my foes.

⁸Depart from me, all you workers of | evil,*
for the LORD has heard the sound of my | weeping.

⁹The LORD has | heard my plea;*
the LORD ac- | cepts my prayer.

¹⁰All my enemies shall be ashamed and greatly | troubled;*
they shall turn back and be put to shame in a | moment.

Epistle

1 John 1:5—2:2

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

¹My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ²He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 6:16–21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixth chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹⁶[Jesus said:] “And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ¹⁷But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, ¹⁸that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

¹⁹“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, ²⁰but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal.

²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day: 730 What Is the World to Me



1 What is the world to me With all its vaunt - ed plea - sure
2 The world seeks to be praised And hon - ored by the might - y
3 The world seeks af - ter wealth And all that mam - mon of - fers
4 What is the world to me! My Je - sus is my trea - sure,



When You, and You a - lone, Lord Je - sus, are my trea - sure!
Yet nev - er once re - flects That they are frail and flight - y.
Yet nev - er is con - tent Though gold should fill its cof - fers.
My life, my health, my wealth, My friend, my love, my plea - sure,



You on - ly, dear - est Lord, My soul's de - light shall be;
But what I tru - ly prize A - bove all things is He,
I have a high - er good, Con - tent with it I'll be:
My joy, my crown, my all, My bliss e - ter - nal - ly.



You are my peace, my rest. What is the world to me!
My Je - sus, He a - lone. What is the world to me!
My Je - sus is my wealth. What is the world to me!
Once more, then, I de - clare: What is the world to me!

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Sermon

“Humbled and Needy - A Christian Is Right at Home”

Apostles' Creed

G I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
Born of the virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
And sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 The holy Christian Church,
 The communion of saints,
 The forgiveness of sins,
 The resurrection of the body,
 And the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church, Lord's Prayer, and Closing Collect

Benediction

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P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you
 and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

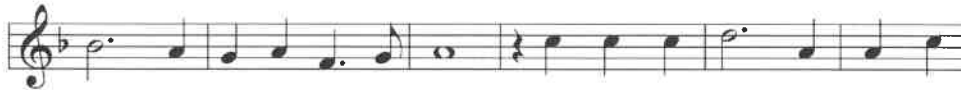


G A - men.

Hymn to Depart: 752 Be Still, My Soul



1 Be still, my soul; the Lord is on your side; Bear pa-tient-
 2 Be still, my soul; your God will un-der-take To guide the
 3 Be still, my soul; though dear-est friends de-part And all is
 4 Be still, my soul; the hour is has-t'ning on When we shall



ly the cross of grief or pain; Leave to your God to or-der
 fu-ture as He has the past. Your hope, your con-fi-dence let
 dark-ened in this vale of tears; Then you will bet-ter know His
 be-for-ev-er with the Lord, When dis-ap-point-ment, grief, and



and pro-vide; In ev-'ry change He faith-ful will re-
 noth-ing shake; All now mys-te-rious shall be bright at
 love, His heart, Who comes to soothe your sor-rows and your
 fear are gone, Sor-row for-got, love's pur-est joys re-



main. Be still, my soul; your best, your heav'n-ly Friend
 last. Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know
 fears. Be still, my soul; your Je-sus can re-pay
 stored. Be still, my soul; when change and tears are past,



Through thorn-y ways leads to a joy-ful end.
 His voice who ruled them while He dwelt be-low.
 From His own full-ness all He takes a-way.
 All safe and bless-ed we shall meet at last.

The following Psalms would be appropriate to pray during a Day of Humiliation and Prayer:
Psalms 6, 25, 32, 38, 51, 90, 102, 130, and 143

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Prayer Requests & Announcements

Pastor—Family Visitations: To make an appointment for confession and absolution, prayer, a devotion, or receiving Holy Communion, please call the church office- 763-420-2426.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Members who are sick and in need of healing and comfort—Rick Bymark (wife Jackie, son Hank), Lynn Slauson, Pam Linton (daughter of LaVerne & Arlene Bagne), Ilene Shepherd, Brigitte Ritter, Diane Lawrence, Rev. Dr. Herbert Mueller (vice-president of the LCMS), Dr. Crystal Rossow, Charice McDowell, Mavis Kalk, Joyce O'Hern, Melvin Haag, Pr. Steven Briel, Larry Jobes, and Carol Heinen (mother of Andrew Heinen). Our Lord Jesus, who reached out to heal and comfort the sick and dying, continues to reach out with His healing Word through us. Cards, phone calls, and prayers are always appreciated. If you know of someone who is sick or hospitalized, please inform your pastors.

Our homebound members are John and Arleen Barrett, Linda Bredenberg, Sue Erickson, Marlys Johnson, Inez Koehler, Steve Orbin, Gerald Oswald, Mark Pruhs, Amy Schalo, and Ilene Shepherd.

All those serving in our Armed Forces—Agena Christophersen (Belgium), Nicholas Malikowski (California), Kevin Mazurowski (Deployed), Nathan Mazurowski (Arizona), Isak Preus (Florida), Brian Pruhs (Germany), Joseph Radintz (home), Emily Sawyer (Florida), and Danny Schilling (home).

Those who have lost loved ones during the past year—Rick Foggia & family (at the loss of his mother Virginia), the family of Audrey Bauermeister, Shirley Holthus & family (at the loss of her sister, Sharon Berndt), the family of Dorothy Cooper, the family of Pr. Roger Dramstad (former Circuit Pr.-Eternal Hope, Brooklyn Park), Jerry Rogge & family (at the loss of his father Merlyn), Katie Moss & family (at the loss of her grandmother Barbara Behling), Rob Essig & family (at the loss of his brother-in-law Barry Schramel), Mark Ellinger & family (at the loss of his mother Ruth), the family of Robert Malwitz, the family of Alvin Cook, and the family of Betty Schmiege.

And we remember those who have recently lost loved ones—Justin Bermel & family (at the loss of his father Douglas, and his brother Jeffrey), Rob Borchering & family (at the loss of his mother Carol), the family of Rev. Greg Tyler (Pastor at St. Paul Lutheran in Osseo), and Lisa Kolander & family (at the loss of her mother Lucy Fairchild).

All expecting families and their unborn children—especially Maria & Jeremy Koosman, and Zach and Megan Stewart. If you would like to announce your pregnancy to the Church that we might pray for you, please contact one of our pastors.

THIS WEEK: The congregations in our circuit are praying for St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church & School, Corcoran, and Pastor Matthew Moss and Pastor Matthew Johnson.

PRAYING FOR OUR CHURCH & SCHOOL: This week we pray for Deacon Chairman Chris Kruse and Deacon Secretary Joel Johnson, and also for Teachers Maria (Pre-K) and Jeremy (2nd) Koosman.

† Announcements †

SOCIAL DISTANCING: All St. John's regularly scheduled services, events, and activities have been cancelled until further notice. **Pastor—Family Visitation** appointments are being scheduled; please keep in mind your social distancing awareness and hygiene guidelines when entering the building and encountering other individuals.

BAPTISED THIS PAST WEEKEND: Friday evening during a private service was Owen Daniel Curd, son born to Ryan and Angie Curd on September 29th, and Saturday during a private service was Bella Grace Briel, infant daughter of Leif & Chelsi Briel born on February 29th. May our gracious Lord Jesus keep Owen and Bella safe in the holy Ark of the Church until they reach their new home in heaven. "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God." Matthew 19:14

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: (March 22-March 28) Sunday-Tina Gapen, Monday-Lori Kaiser, Thursday-Audrey Bahr, Friday-Elise Alvarez/Carrie Mock/Paige Pomeranke, Saturday-Jada Clifford/Carson Dufault.

	Last Week ¹ 03/15/20	Year-to-date since 02/01/19
FINANCIAL UPDATE		
Total General Fund Receipts-All Sources	\$ 21,388	\$ 1,125,914
Amount Needed	\$ 27,996	\$ 1,281,056
Amount Ahead (Behind)	\$ (6,612)	\$ (155,142)
% Ahead (-Behind)		-12%
Current Building Mortgage Balance (February 29, 2020):	\$335,737	

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Sunday, March 15th ~

CT: 192 CM: 148

COAT MIX-UP: In the bustle after church service on March 15th, Katy Briel's coat was mistakenly taken and a similar one was left behind. The label is "Pelle" with red lining; knee length with no belt. If discovered, kindly bring to exchange, leave it at the front desk downstairs, or contact the church secretary.