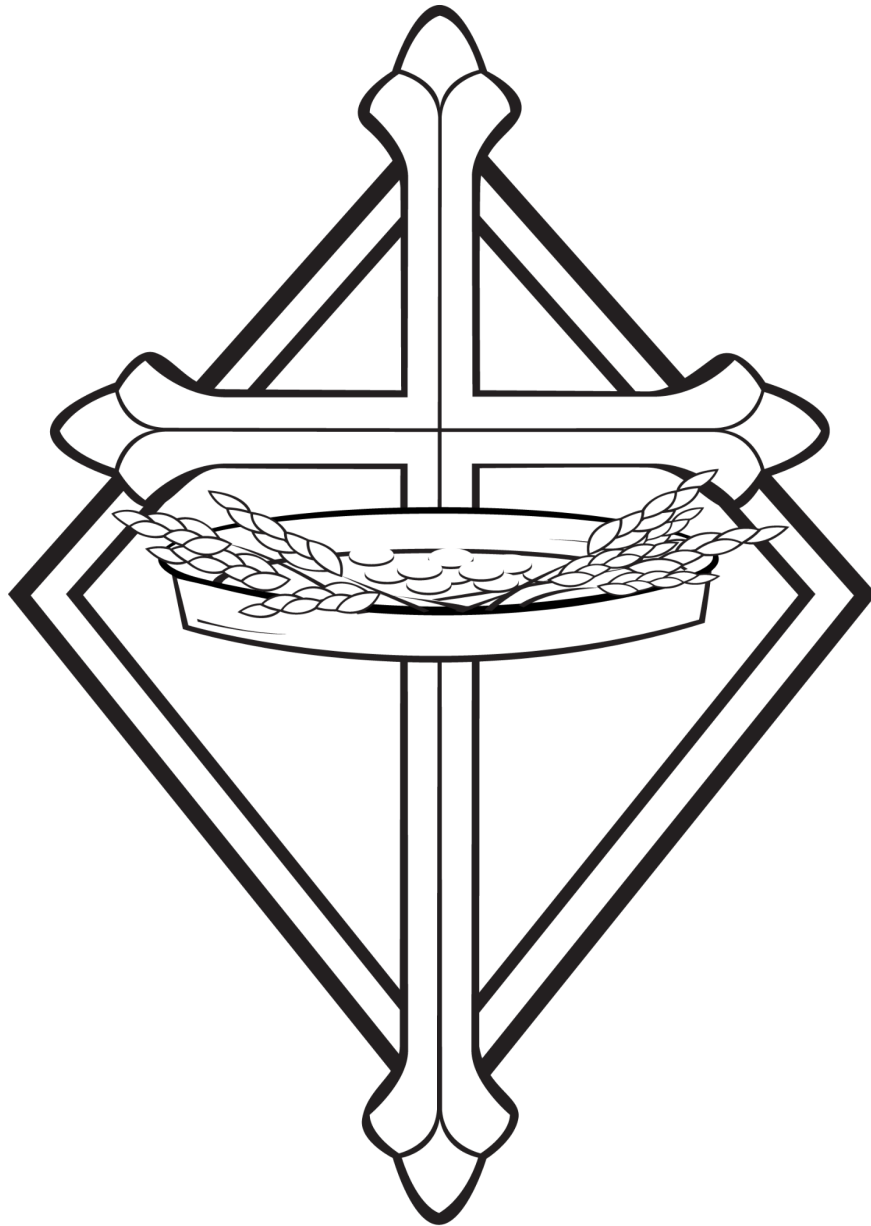


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THE SERVICE OF PREPARATION

God prepares us to come into His presence by calling us to repent of our sins and giving us His absolution; so that we can come before Him in humble confidence.

OPENING PRAYER

(Pastor) O Lord, our Maker, Redeemer, and Comforter, we are assembled in Your presence to hear Your holy Word. We pray You to open our hearts by Your Holy Spirit, that through the preaching of Your Word we may be taught to repent of our sins, to believe on Jesus in life and death, and to grow day by day in grace and holiness. Hear us for Christ's sake. Amen.

HYMN - 443, "O That I Had a Thousand Voices"

CONFESSION OF SIN

(Pastor) Let us bow before the Lord and confess our sins.

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

(All) O most merciful God, You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us: have mercy upon us, and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

O God the Fa - ther in heav - en, have mercy up - on

us. O God the Son, Re - deemer of the world,

have mercy up - on us. O God the Holy

Ghost, true Comforter, have mercy up - on us.

ABSOLUTION

Hear the holy and comforting Word of our Lord:

“Come unto Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” “For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”

Lift up your hearts! By the authority of God and of my holy office I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Glory be to God in the highest.

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The first staff of music is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It contains four measures of music. The first measure has a half note on G4 and a half note on A4, beamed together. The second measure has quarter notes on B4, C5, B4, and A4. The third measure has quarter notes on G4, F#4, E4, and D4. The fourth measure has quarter notes on C4, B3, A3, and G3.

The first staff of music is written on a five-line staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). It contains a sequence of 12 eighth notes: F#4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, and C4. The notes are grouped into four measures of three notes each, with a double bar line at the end.

SALUTATION PRAYER FOR THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

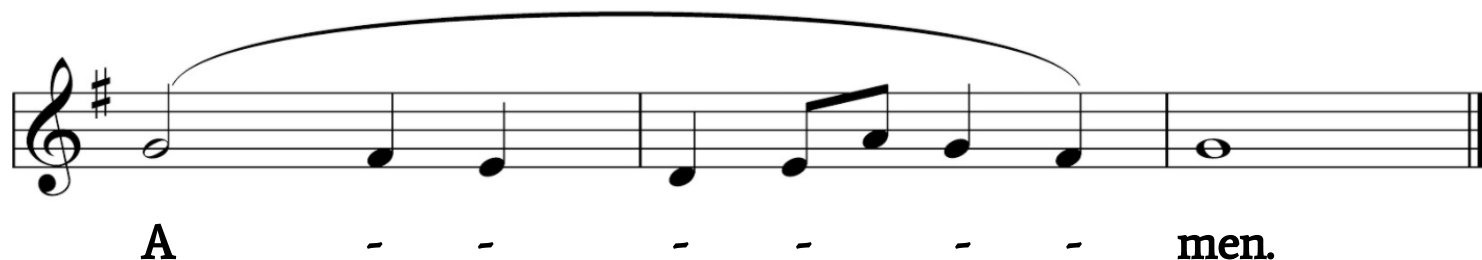


And with your Spirit.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Let us pray:

Lord God, heavenly Father, You graciously give us Your blessing and our daily bread: We beseech You, enliven our hearts by your holy spirit, that we would not fall prey to greed and covetousness, but that we would gladly use what you have given us according to your word, that we would be found faithful stewards at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.



THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

God instructs and nourishes our faith by means of His Word. Hearing God's inspired Word from the prophets, apostles, and evangelists, we confess our faith in creed and in song.

OLD TESTAMENT - Proverbs 3:1-10

My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments, for length of days and years of life and peace they will add to you. Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart. So you will find favor and good success in the sight of God and man.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. Be not wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord, and turn away from evil. It will be healing to your flesh and refreshment to your bones.

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.^(ESV)

PSALM - 68, selected verses



O God, save **me by your name,/ and vindicate **me by your might.

O God, **hear my prayer;/ give ear to the **words of my mouth.

For strangers have risen against me; ruthless men seek **to take my life;/ they do not set God **before themselves.

Behold, God is **my helper;/ the Lord is the upholder **of my life.

He will return the evil to **my enemies;/ in your faithfulness put **an end to them.

With a freewill offering I will sa[\]crifice to you;/ I will give thanks to your name, O Lord, **for it is good.

For he has delivered me from **every trouble,/ and my eye has looked in triumph on **my enemies.

Glory be to the Father **and to the Son / and to **the Holy Ghost; As it was in the be[\]ginning, is now,/ and ever shall be, forever[\]more. Amen.

EPISTLE - 1 Corinthians 10:6-13

These things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.” We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.^(ESV)

HOLY GOSPEL - Luke 16:1-13

[Jesus] said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.' And the manager said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' He said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.' The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.

One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money."^(ESV)



God be prais - ed for His glad ti - dings.

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
Begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
Very God of Very God,
Begotten, not made,
Being of one substance with the Father,
By Whom all things were made;
Who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried;
and the third day He rose again
according to the Scriptures;
and ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;

And He shall come again with glory
to judge both the living and the dead;
Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and Giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
Who spoke by the Prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and Apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
And I look for the Resurrection of the dead
and the Life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN - 448, "I Will Sing My Maker's Praises," verses 1-3, 6

SERMON

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*Each petition of the prayer concludes, "Lord in Your mercy," to which the congregation replies, "**Hear our prayer.**"*

OFFERING

If you are visiting today, please do not feel obligated to give. If you prefer, you can give through our website, concordiaeauclaire.com/online-giving



THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

We now partake of the meal which God has given to His people, in which we are united with Christ our Savior, and with each other as fellow members of His body.

PREFACE & PROPER PREFACE

The Lord be with you.



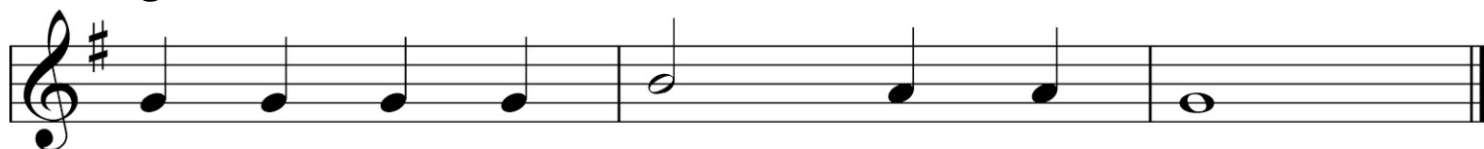
And with your Spi - rit.

Lift up your hearts unto the Lord.



We lift up our hearts un - to the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.



It is good and right so to do.

The pastor chants the proper preface

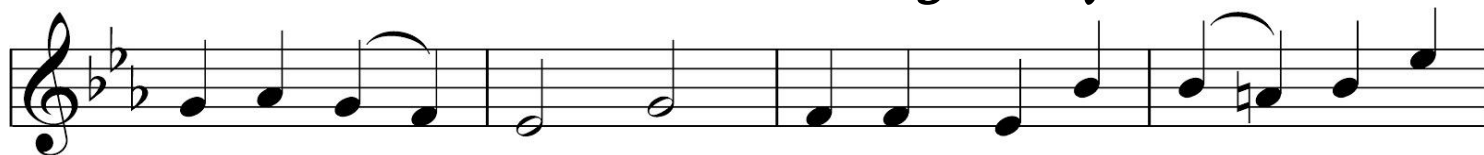
SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of Sab - a - oth



Heav'n and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - sanna



in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who comes in the



name of the Lord. Ho - sanna in the high - est.

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.

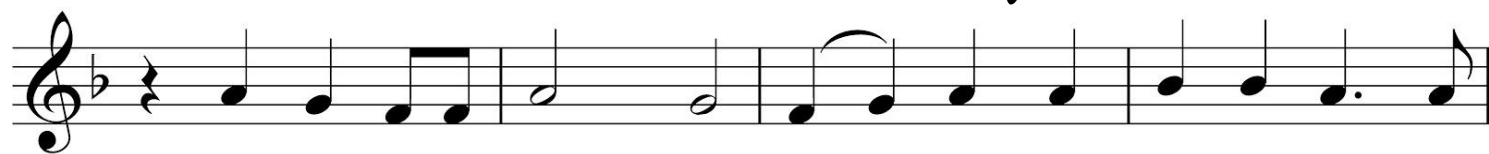
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night on which He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples saying, "Take, eat, this is My body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, gave thanks, and 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 and for many for the remission of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

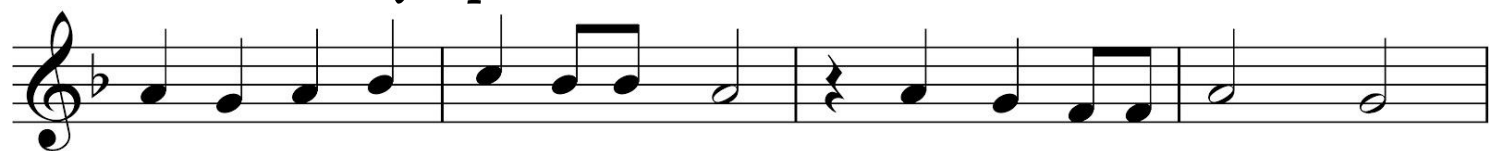
AGNUS DEI



O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world,



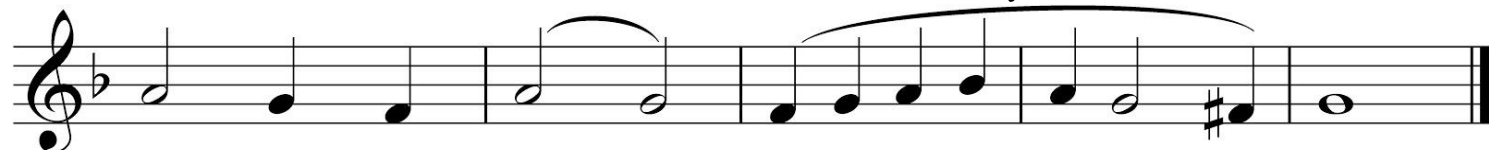
have mercy up-on us. O Christ, the Lamb of God, You



take away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world,



grant us Your peace. A - - - men.

DISTRIBUTION

Following the guidance of the Scriptures and the example of the historic Christian Church, our congregation practices closed communion. If you are not a member of our congregation, or are not part of our greater fellowship (ELS/WELS), please refrain from communing.

Non-communicants are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing, indicating so by crossing their arms across their chest.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN - 446, "What Is the World to Me"

HYMN OF THANKSGIVING



1. O Je - sus, blessed Lord, to Thee my heart-felt
2. Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: what wealth is



thanks for - ev - er be, Who hast so lov - ing - ly
come to me this day! My Sav - ior dwells with - in

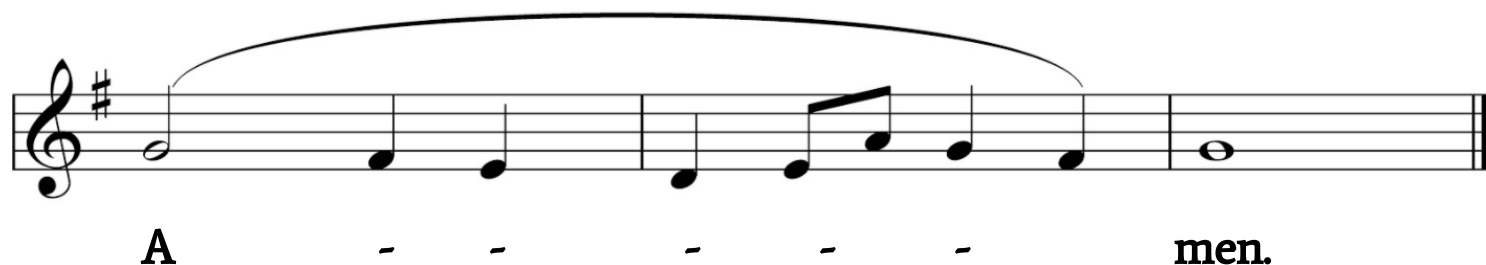


bestowed on me Thy bo - dy and Thy blood.
me now: how blest am I! How good art Thou!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Let us give thanks and pray:

We thank You, Lord God Almighty, that You have refreshed us with these Your salutary gifts; and we beseech You of Your mercy, to strengthen us through them in faith toward You, and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.



BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give ☒ you peace.



HYMN - 444, "Take My Life and Let It Be"

CLOSING PRAYER

O Lord, we render unto You our heartfelt thanks that You have taught us what You would have us believe and do. Help us, O God, by Your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, to keep Your Word in pure hearts, that we thereby may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness, and comforted in life and death. Amen.

☒ ☒ ☒ **Depart in Peace** ☒ ☒ ☒

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