

The Holy Gospel

Luke 14:26-33

²⁶“If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, ³⁰saying, ‘This man began to build and was not able to finish.’ ³¹Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. ³³So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.

The Nicene Creed (p. 158)

The Hymn of the Day: 644 “The Church’s One Foundation”

The Homily

While the altar is being prepared for the Holy Supper, you may spend time prayerfully preparing to receive the Blessed Sacrament (you may wish to read through Dr. Luther’s “Christian Questions with Their Answers” on pp. 329-330).

The Prayer of the Church

- P** Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

The Service of the Sacrament

The Preface—The Agnus Dei (pp. 160-163)

The Distribution (p. 164)

The Nunc Dimittis (p. 165)

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Soli Deo Gloria!

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The Service of Preparation

(Upon entering the nave, silence should be observed to allow all the opportunity to prayerfully prepare for the presence of the Lord and the reception of His gifts)

Preparatory Prayer

Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. In the multitude of Your tender mercies prepare my heart that I may enter Your house to worship and confess Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, my God and Lord. Amen.

The Prelude and Ringing of the Bells

The Confession and Absolution (p. 151)

The Service of the Word

The Introit

Ps. 31:1, 3, 5; antiphon: Rev. 7:14b



These are the ones coming out of the great tribu- | lation.*
They have washed their robes and made them white in the
blood | of the Lamb.

In you, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be | put to shame;*
in your righteousness de- | liver me.

For you are my rock and my | fortress;*
and for your name's sake you lead me and | guide me.

Into your hand I commit my | spirit;*
you have redeemed me, O LORD, | faithful God.

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.

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The Kyrie (pp. 152-153)

The Gloria in Excelsis (p. 154)

The Salutation and Collect of the Day (p. 156)

Almighty and ever-living God, have regard for our weakness, and since the weight of our own deeds bears us down, let the faithful example of all Your saints, including St. Paul of Constantinople, whom we commemorate today, direct us to Your grace and mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for-
ever.

The Old Testament Reading

2 Chronicles 24:17-22

¹⁷Now after the death of Jehoiada the princes of Judah came and paid homage to the king. Then the king listened to them. ¹⁸And they abandoned the house of the LORD, the God of their fathers, and served the Asherim and the idols. And wrath came upon Judah and Jerusalem for this guilt of theirs. ¹⁹Yet he sent prophets among them to bring them back to the LORD. These testified against them, but they would not pay attention.

²⁰Then the Spirit of God clothed Zechariah the son of Jehoiada the priest, and he stood above the people, and said to them, "Thus says God, 'Why do you break the commandments of the LORD, so that you cannot prosper? Because you have forsaken the LORD, he has forsaken you.'" ²¹But they conspired against him, and by command of the king they stoned him with stones in the court of the house of the LORD. ²²Thus Joash the king did not remember the kindness that Jehoiada, Zechariah's father, had shown him, but killed his son. And when he was dying, he said, "May the Lord see and avenge!"

The Gradual

Ps. 34:9, 19, alt.

Fear the LORD, you his saints,
for those who fear him lack nothing!

Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

The Epistle

James 1:12-18

¹²Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. ¹³Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. ¹⁴But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. ¹⁵Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

¹⁶Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. ¹⁷Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

The Alleluia and Verse (p. 156 - Common)