

but now he has promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens.” ²⁷This phrase, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of things that are shaken—that is, things that have been made—in order that the things that cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, ²⁹for our God is a consuming fire.

The Triple Alleluia (p. 190 - Top)

The Holy Gospel

John 18:33-37

³³So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” ³⁴Jesus answered, “Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?” ³⁵Pilate answered, “Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?” ³⁶Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world.” ³⁷Then Pilate said to him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice.”

The Apostles’ Creed (p. 192)

The Hymn of the Day: 334 “O Lord, How Shall I Meet You”

The Homily: “The Holy Mountain of the Lord Is the Perfect Kingdom of Christ” (Is. 11:1-10)

The Offertory (pp. 192-193)

The Offering is gathered for the Lord’s work.

The Prayer of the Church

☐ Lord, in Your mercy, ☑ **hear our prayer.**

The Service of the Sacrament

(Communicants are to be in full confessional fellowship with the LCMS)

The Preface - Agnus Dei (pp. 194-198)

The Distribution

The Nunc Dimittis - Benediction (pp. 199-202)

The Closing Hymn: 651 “I Love Your Kingdom, Lord”

The Postlude

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 - you may wish to pray one or more of the prayers located in the front of the hymnal)

The Prelude and Ringing of the Bells

The Opening Hymn: 342 “What Hope! An Eden Prophesied”

Confession and Absolution (pp. 184-185)

The Service of the Word

The Psalm

Ps. 48:1-3, 9-14



Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised*
in the city | of our God!

His holy mountain, beautiful in elevation, is the joy of | all the earth,*
Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the | great King.

Within her | citadels*

God has made himself known as a | fortress.

We have thought on your steadfast love, | O God,*
in the midst of your | temple.

As your name, O God, so your praise reaches to the ends | of the earth.*
Your right hand is filled with | righteousness.

Let Mount Zion | be glad!*

Let the daughters of Judah rejoice because of your | judgments!

Walk about Zion, go around her, number her | towers,*
consider well her ramparts, go through her | citadels,

that you may tell the next generation that this is God, our God forever
and | ever.*

He will guide us | forever.

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.

The Kyrie (p. 186)

The Gloria in Excelsis is omitted during Advent

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

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

The Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 11:1-10

¹There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. ²And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. ³And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear, ⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. ⁵Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins.

⁶The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them. ⁷The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. ⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. ⁹They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

¹⁰In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.

The Gradual

Ps. 99:2, 9

The LORD is great in Zion;

He is exalted over all the peoples.

Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at His holy mountain;
for the LORD our God is holy!

The Epistle

Hebrews 12:18-29

¹⁸For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. ²⁰For they could not endure the order that was given, “If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned.” ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I tremble with fear.” ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

²⁵See that you do not refuse him who is speaking. For if they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, much less will we escape if we reject him who warns from heaven. ²⁶At that time his voice shook the earth,