The Festival of the 50th Anniversary of Peace Lutheran Church



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The Service of Preparation

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

Welcome

Our congregation is overjoyed that you have come to join us on this special day, and we extend our sincerest welcome to all of you. We pray the Lord's richest blessings upon you and thank you for being here to celebrate our 50th Anniversary with us. For your convenience, the entire Divine Service (LSB Divine Service, Setting Three), including all the hymns and their music, is printed in this bulletin, which we invite you to take with you and keep as a memento of this special occasion. The last several pages contain historical information about our congregation.

Rejoice, dear friends, for the Lord comes to you here in this sacred place to gift you with forgiveness, life, and salvation through His Holy Word and Sacraments. He has promised to be with us always, even unto the end of the age, and He fulfills that promise here as we receive Him in His Divine Gifts. All glory, honor, and praise be to our Triune God, now and forever! Amen.

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 congregation stands at the Ringing of the Bells and faces the processional crucifix for the Processional Hymn. It is customary to continue facing the crucifix as it is processed in, and to bow your head and make the sign of the cross + in reverence and admiration to the Lord as it passes your pew. The same applies for the Recessional at the conclusion of the Divine Service.)

The Processional Hymn: "The Church's One Foundation" (LSB 644)



The Confession and Absolution

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

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** Amen.
- Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **G** who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **G** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

The Introit

The Service of the Word

1 Chron. 29:10b, 11, 13; antiphon: Ps. 26:8



O LORD, I love the habitation | of your house* and the place where your | glory dwells.

Blessèd are you, O LORD, the God of | Israel*

our father, forever and | ever.

Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the | majesty,* for all that is in the heavens and in the | earth is yours.

Yours is the kingdom, | O LORD,*

and you are exalted as head a- | bove all.

And now we thank you, | our God,* and praise your | glorious name.

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.

O LORD, I love the habitation | of your house*

and the place where your | glory dwells.



The Gloria in Excelsis P Glory be to God on high: G and on earth peace, good - will toward Θ ini i We praise Thee, men. we bless Thee, we wor-ship Thee, Ø o we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for glory. Thy great O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



The Salutation and Collect of the Day



Almighty God, You have promised to be with Your Church forever. We praise You for Your presence in this place of worship and ask Your ongoing blessing upon those who gather here. Dwell continually among us with Your holy Word and Sacraments, strengthen our fellowship in the bonds of love and peace, and increase our faithful witness to Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



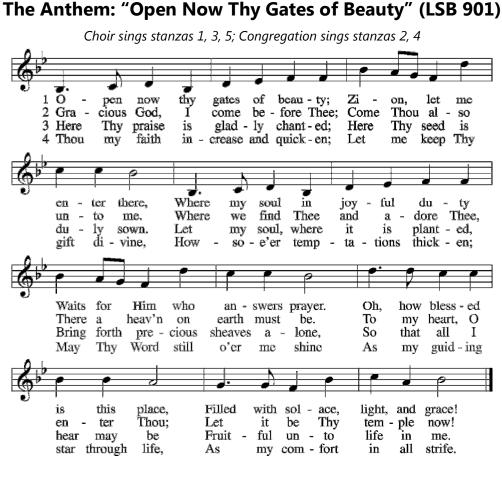
The Old Testament Reading

Then Solomon stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all the assembly of Israel and spread out his hands toward heaven, and said, "O LORD, God of Israel, there is no God like you, in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and showing steadfast love to your servants who walk before you with all their heart, who have kept with your servant David my father what you declared to him. You spoke with your mouth, and with your hand have fulfilled it this day. Now therefore, O LORD, God of Israel, keep for your servant David my father what you have promised him, saying, 'You shall not lack a man to sit before me on the throne of Israel, if only your sons pay close attention to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me.' Now therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you have spoken to your servant David my father.

"But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you; how much less this house that I have built! Yet have regard to the prayer of your servant and to his plea, O LORD my God, listening to the cry and to the prayer that your servant prays before you this day, that your eyes may be open night and day toward this house, the place of which you have said, 'My name shall be there,' that you may listen to the prayer that your servant offers toward this place. And listen to the plea of your servant and of your people Israel, when they pray toward this place. And listen in heaven your dwelling place, and when you hear, forgive."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



5 Speak, O God, and I will hear Thee; Let Thy will be done indeed.
May I undisturbed draw near Thee While Thou dost Thy people feed.
Here of life the fountain flows;
Here is balm for all our woes.

The Epistle

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Stand

The Triple Alleluia and Verse



Verse (Choir): Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness.



The Holy Gospel

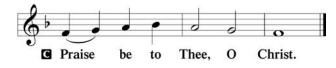
Luke 19:1–10

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the nineteenth chapter.



[Jesus] entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector and was rich. And he was seeking to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was about to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried and came down and received him joyfully. And when they saw it, they all grumbled, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,

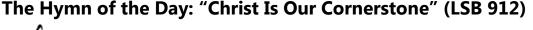
maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

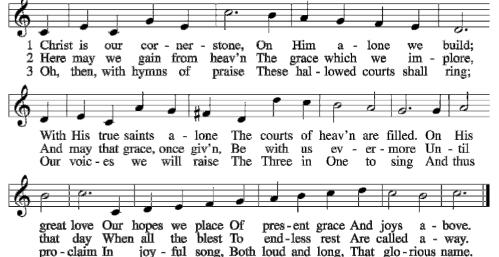
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

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 sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will 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.

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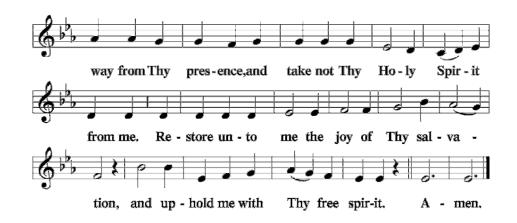


The Sermon

Rev. David H. Reed (Pastor of Grace, Auburn; Secretary of the Michigan District)

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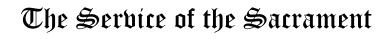
The Offering

"How Lovely Is Your Dwelling Place" (Choir)

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The Prayer of the Church

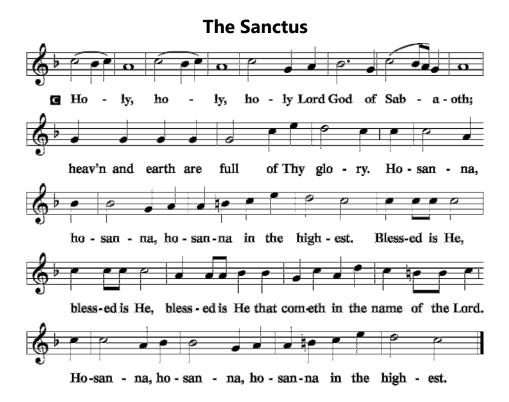
- P Lord, in Your mercy,
- **G** hear our prayer.







It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



The Lord's Prayer

G 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.

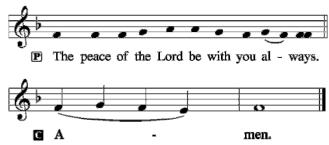
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

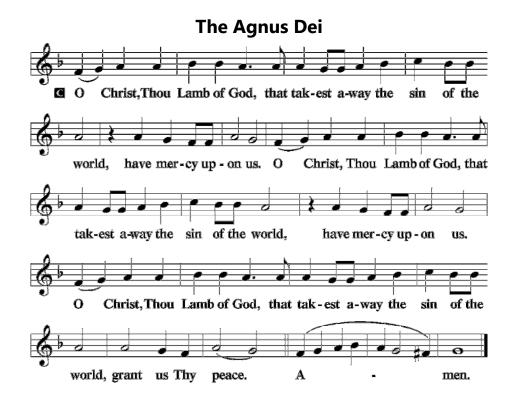
The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My
→ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My H blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The Pax Domini





Sit

The Distribution

When the ushers release you, please approach the altar (it is customary to bow in reverence when you have arrived) and kneel at the rail on your own (you may stand if you are unable to kneel). After you have received the Body and Blood of our Lord, you may make the sign of the + cross and return to your pew. After all have received, and we have finished the Distribution Hymns, the Dismissal/Blessing will be pronounced to all. Additionally, please refer to the following statement regarding our Holy Communion practice here at Peace (Note: Children and others who have not yet received First Communion or have not yet been Confirmed may come to the altar to receive a blessing):

Holy Communion Practice

- The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very Body and Blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. In preparation for receiving this Blesséd Sacrament, you may refer to Martin Luther's "Christian Questions with Their Answers" found on pages 329-330 in LSB.
- Communicants at this altar are to be in full confessional fellowship with the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the LCMS are asked, out of love and Christian responsibility, to refrain from partaking with us this afternoon. If you have any questions regarding Holy Communion, you are invited and encouraged to speak with the pastor before or after the Service.
- See Matt. 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:14-20; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

<u>Communicants are invited to pray the following</u> Before receiving the Sacrament:

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

After receiving the Sacrament:

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Distribution Hymn: "O Lord, We Praise Thee" (LSB 617) 1 O 2 Thy 3 May Thee, and Lord, we praise Thee, bless a - dore Thee, ho - ly bod God be - stow bod in to death was giv - en, У on us His grace and fa vor 0 Thee. In thanks - giv - ing bow be fore Thou with Thy great - er Life to win for us inheav en. No fol - low Christ our That we And live to -Sav ior . Thy blood didst bod - y and Our weak souls that nour - ish love than this to Thee could bind us; May this feast there geth - er here love and u - nion Nor de - spise this in -0 flour cy! they may ish: 0 Lord, have mer -0 of re - mind us! Lord, have mer cy! blest Com - mu nion! \mathbf{O} Lord, have mer cy! bod - y, That May Thy Lord, born of Mar y, Thee our kind - ness Lord, Thy did That Tby con - strain \mathbf{SO} Let not Thy good Spir - it for - sake us; Grant that . 0 Ó sor - rows did car - ry, And Thy blood for us plead sins and blood should bless and sus - tain me. All our debt Thou hast paid; Give Thy Church, Lord, to heav'n - ly - mind - ed He make us; see 0 d tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer In all cy! Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mer cy! -Days of peace and u - mi - ty: O Lord, have mer cy!

Distribution Hymn: "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" (LSB 909)

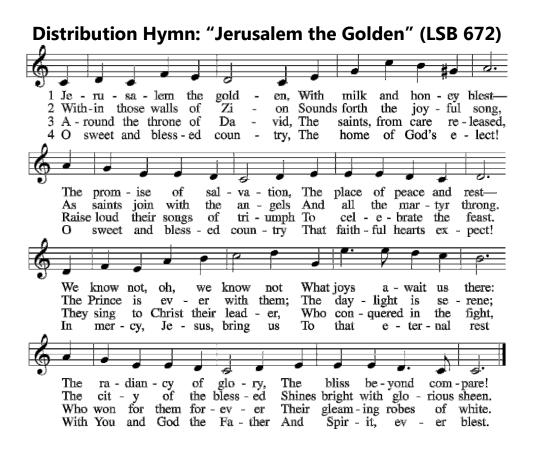
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Distribution Hymn: "Jesus Sinners Doth Receive" (LSB 974)

1 Jc - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive; Oh, may all this 2 We de - serve but grief and shame, Yet His words, rich 3 Sheep that from the fold did stray No true shep - herd 4 I, a sin - ner, come to Thee With a pen - i -					
say - ing pon - der Who in sin's de - lu - sions grace re - veal - ing, Par - don, peace, and life pro - e'er for - sak - eth; Wea - ry souls that lost their tent con - fes - sion. Sav - ior, mer - cy show to					
live And from God and heav - en wan - der! Here is claim; Here our ills have per - fect heal - ing. Firm - ly way Christ, the Shep - herd, gent - ly tak - eth In His me; Grant for all my sins re - mis - sion. Let these					
hope for all who grieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive. in these words be - lieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive. arms that they may live: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive. words my soul re - lieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.					
5 Oh, how blest it is to know: 6 Now my conscience is at peace;					
Were as scarlet my transgression, From the Law I stand acquitted.					
It shall be as white as snow Christ hath purchased my release					
By Thy blood and bitter passion; And my ev'ry sin remitted.					
For these words I now believe: Naught remains my soul to grieve:					
Jesus sinners doth receive. Jesus sinners doth receive.					

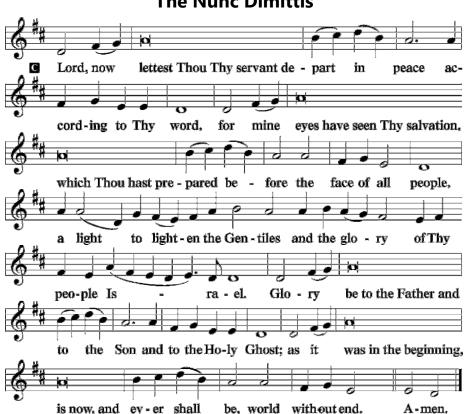
 7 Jesus sinners doth receive; Also I have been forgiven;
 And when I this earth must leave, I shall find an open heaven.
 Dying, still to Him I cleave: Jesus sinners doth receive.



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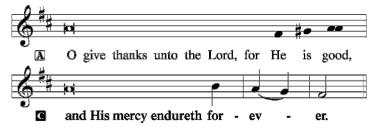
The Dismissal

- P The holy and precious, true Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen and preserve you in true faith, unto life everlasting. Depart in + peace.
- **C** Amen.



The Nunc Dimittis

The Thanksgiving



P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.







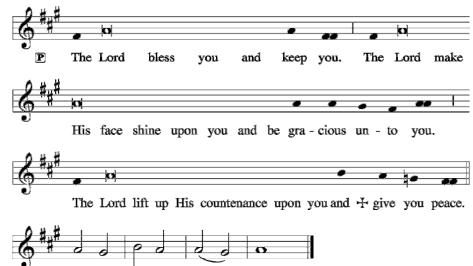
The Benediction

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The Recessional Hymn: "We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God"



The Postlude

+ Soli Deo Gloria +

50th Anniversary Banquet

Our congregation invites you to join us for a celebratory dinner and festivities following Divine Service, which will take place here in our Fellowship Hall.

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