

**Welcome!**

**St. John's  
Lutheran  
Church**

(LCMS)

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Sat. 5:30 pm

Sun. 8:00 am

Sun. 10:30 am

***Proclaim the  
Christ.***

***Grow the  
Family.***

***Love the  
Neighbor.***

**Pastor**

Mike Burdick

**July 23, 2023**

8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after  
Pentecost

# Welcome

We welcome you to God’s Service in worship at St. John’s, and extend a special welcome to all guests and visitors with us.

- Little Children’s Worship bags are available in the Atrium.
- Restrooms are located on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> floors. Those on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> floors include diaper-changing stations.
- The Service video is broadcast in the Atrium and in the Library area on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor.
- Visitors are not expected to bring an offering. Our members do so in free response to the Gospel and to finance the extension of God’s Kingdom.
- **All worshipers are requested to complete an attendance card. They will be collected by ushers after the sermon. Thank you!**
- Share prayer requests using the yellow cards in the pews.

## Those Who Serve Us

Each Member of St. John’s.....	The Body of Christ
Rev. Mike Burdick.....	Pastor
Rev. Gary Fortkamp.....	Visitation Pastor
Mrs. Carrie Collier.....	Preschool Director
Mrs. Ruth Bray .....	Organist
Miss. Lilli Wernsing.....	Song Leader
St. John’s Praise Band .....	10:30am Music
Josie Fritch, Audrey Jansen, & Luke Sipe.....	Acolytes
Mr. Jim Schroeder .....	5:30pm Elder on Duty
Mr. Dave Worman.....	8:00am Elder on Duty
Mr. Gayland Bourland.....	10:30am Elder on Duty
Mr. Dave Worman 217-821-7819.....	Elder on Duty for July 24 – July 28
Chatelain School & Baja School.....	Our Schools for feeding in Haiti
Ms. Janet Martins.....	Stephen Ministry Leader
Mrs. Julie Scott.....	(1-217-343-3047) Prayer Partner Coordinator
State, National & International Missions .....	through our District and Synod

## Holy Communion

Welcome! When the members of St. John’s Lutheran Church, (LCMS) celebrate the Lord’s Supper we confess the Real Presence of Christ’s Body and Blood in the Bread and Wine, given and shed for the forgiveness of our sins. (1 Cor 10:16 & 1 Cor 11:23-26) We believe that Christ’s Body and Blood are present “in, with and under” elements of the Holy Supper. Please register your intent to commune on the pew card after prayerfully reading it. If you are visiting with us and you desire to join with us in communion fellowship in agreement with these beliefs, please speak to our Pastor or the elder on duty before the Service. Thank You.

***You will find the songs for our 10:30am Service in italics.***

***“How Can I Keep From Singing?”***

***Preservice #1***

*There is an endless song  
Echoes in my soul  
I hear the music ring  
And though storms may come  
I am holding on  
To the rock I cling*

*How can I keep from singing Your praise?  
How can I ever say enough?  
How amazing is Your love?  
How can I keep from shouting Your name?  
I know I am loved by the King  
And it makes my heart want to sing*

*I will lift my eyes  
In the darkest night  
For I know my Savior lives  
And I will walk with You  
Knowing You see me through  
And sing the songs You give*

*How can I keep from singing Your praise?  
How can I ever say enough?  
How amazing is Your love?  
How can I keep from shouting Your name?  
I know I am loved by the King  
And it makes my heart want to sing*

*I can sing in the troubled times  
Sing when I win  
I can sing when I lose my step  
And I fall down again*

*I can sing 'cause You pick me up  
Sing 'cause You're there  
I can sing 'cause You hear me, Lord  
When I call to You in prayer*

*I can sing with my last breath  
Sing for I know  
That I'll sing with the angels  
And the saints around the throne*

*How can I keep from singing Your praise?  
How can I ever say enough?  
How amazing is Your love?  
How can I keep from shouting Your name?*

*I know I am loved by the King  
And it makes my heart  
I am loved by the King  
And it makes my heart  
I am loved by the King  
And it makes my heart want to sing*

"How Can I Keep From Singing" written by Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Matt Redman 2006 worshiptogether.com songsScripture Reference: Psalm 30:12 CCLI Song: 4822372 CCLI License: 51072

**“God Is Able”**

**Preservice #2**

*God is able He will never fail  
He is almighty God  
Greater than all we seek greater than all we ask  
He has done great things*

*God is with us He will go before  
He will never leave us He will never leave us  
God is for us He has open arms  
He will never fail us He will never fail us*

*Lifted up He defeated the grave  
Raised to life our God is able  
In His name we overcome  
For the Lord our God is able  
God is with us God is on our side  
He will make a way  
Far above all we know far above all we hope  
He has done great things*

*Lifted up He defeated the grave  
Raised to life our God is able  
In His name we overcome  
For the Lord our God is able  
Lifted up He defeated the grave  
Raised to life our God is able  
In His name we overcome  
For the Lord our God is able  
For the Lord our God is able  
For the Lord our God is able*

*Lifted up He defeated the grave  
Raised to life our God is able  
In His name we overcome  
For the Lord our God is able* (continued)

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**DIVINE SERVICE THREE**

**Prelude**

**Call to Worship**

**Welcome**

**Hymn #903**

**This Is the Day the Lord Has Made**

**“God is so Good”**

**(10:30) Opening Song**

*God is so good,  
God is so good,  
God is so good,  
He's so good to me*

*He cares for me,  
He cares for me,  
He cares for me,  
He's so good to me*

*I praise His name,  
I praise His name,  
I praise His name,  
He's so good to me*

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## Confession and Absolution

*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.**

P 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,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **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,

C **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.**

P 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.**

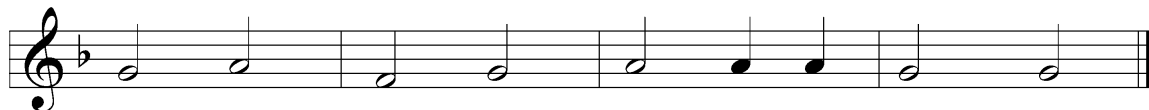
## Service of the Word

Kyrie (5:30 & 8:00)

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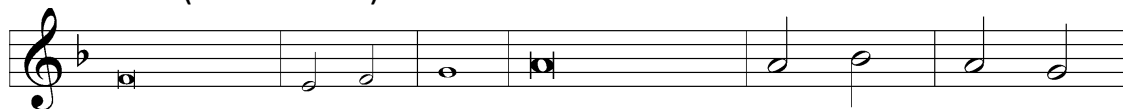
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



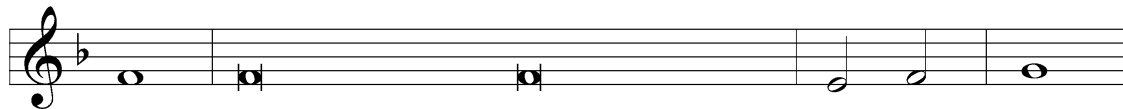
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis (5:30 & 8:00)

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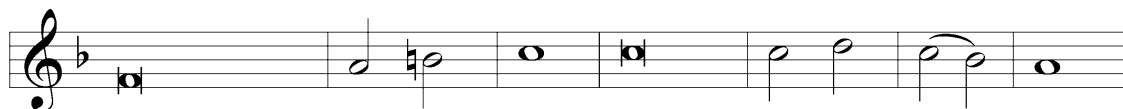
Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



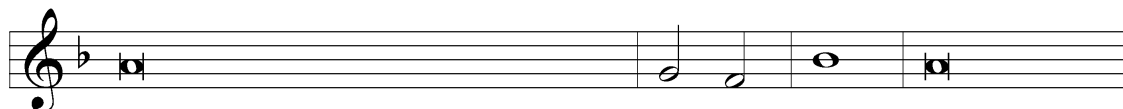
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



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



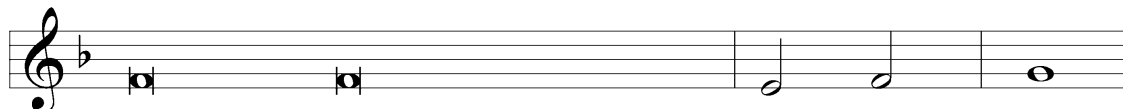
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Let us pray. O God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your final judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of living here and dwell with You in perfect joy hereafter; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

## Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 44:6–8*

<sup>6</sup>Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel  
and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:

“I am the first and I am the last;  
besides me there is no god.

<sup>7</sup>Who is like me? Let him proclaim it.

Let him declare and set it before me,  
since I appointed an ancient people.

Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen.

<sup>8</sup>Fear not, nor be afraid;

have I not told you from of old and declared it?

And you are my witnesses!

Is there a God besides me?

There is no Rock; I know not any.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm

*Psalm 119:57–64; antiphon: v. 89*

HETH

<sup>57</sup>The LORD is my portion;

**I promise to keep your words**

<sup>58</sup>I entreat your favor with all my heart;

**be gracious to me according to your promise.**

<sup>59</sup>When I think on my ways,

**I turn my feet to your testimonies;**

<sup>60</sup>I hasten and do not delay

**to keep your commandments.**

<sup>61</sup>Though the cords of the wicked ensnare me,

**I do not forget your law.**

<sup>62</sup>At midnight I rise to praise you,  
**because of your just and righteous decrees.**

<sup>63</sup>I am a companion of all who fear you,  
**of those who keep your precepts.**

<sup>64</sup>The earth, O LORD, is full of your steadfast love;  
**teach me your statutes!**

## Epistle

*Romans 8:18–27*

<sup>18</sup>For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup>For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. <sup>20</sup>For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup>that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. <sup>22</sup>For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. <sup>23</sup>And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup>For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

<sup>26</sup>Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. <sup>27</sup>And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Stand

## Alleluia

*LSB 190*



☐ Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

*Matthew 13:24–30, 36–43*

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

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>24</sup>[Jesus] put another parable before them, saying, “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, <sup>25</sup>but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. <sup>26</sup>So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. <sup>27</sup>And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How



then does it have weeds?' <sup>28</sup>He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' So the servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' <sup>29</sup>But he said, 'No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. <sup>30</sup>Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'" . . .

<sup>36</sup>Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." <sup>37</sup>He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. <sup>38</sup>The field is the world, and the good seed is the children of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, <sup>39</sup>and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the close of the age, and the reapers are angels. <sup>40</sup>Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the close of the age. <sup>41</sup>The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, <sup>42</sup>and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. <sup>43</sup>Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

## **Catechism on the Creed: The Second Article**

P: What is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Article?

**C: [I believe] 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.**

*What does this mean?*

**I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord,**

**who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death,**

**that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness,**

**just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.**

**This is most certainly true.**

## Sermon

***“Come, Lord Jesus”****Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43****“Jesus, Only Jesus”******(10:30) Sermon Song***

*Who has the power to raise the dead?  
Who can save us from our sin?  
He is our hope, our righteousness  
Jesus, only Jesus*

*You will command the highest praise!  
Yours is the name above all names!  
You stand alone, I stand amazed  
Jesus, only Jesus!  
Jesus, only Jesus!*

*Who can make the blind to see?  
Who holds the keys that set us free?  
He paid it all to bring us peace  
Jesus, only Jesus*

*Holy, King almighty Lord  
Saints and angels all adore  
I join with them and bow before  
Jesus, only Jesus*

*Holy, King almighty Lord  
Saints and angels all adore  
I join with them and bow before  
Jesus, only Jesus*

*You will command the highest praise  
Yours is the name above all names  
You stand alone, I stand amazed  
Jesus, only Jesus*

*Who can command the highest praise?  
Who has the name above all names?  
You stand alone, I stand amazed  
Jesus, only Jesus*

*You will command the highest praise  
Yours is the name above all names  
You stand alone, I stand amazed  
Jesus, only Jesus  
Jesus, only Jesus  
Jesus, only Jesus.*

*Holy, King almighty Lord  
Saints and angels all adore  
I join with them and bow before  
Jesus, only Jesus*

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**C** Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
 way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

Prayer of the Church

Offering

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

P The Lord be with you.

**C And with thy spirit.**

P Lift up your hearts.

**C We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

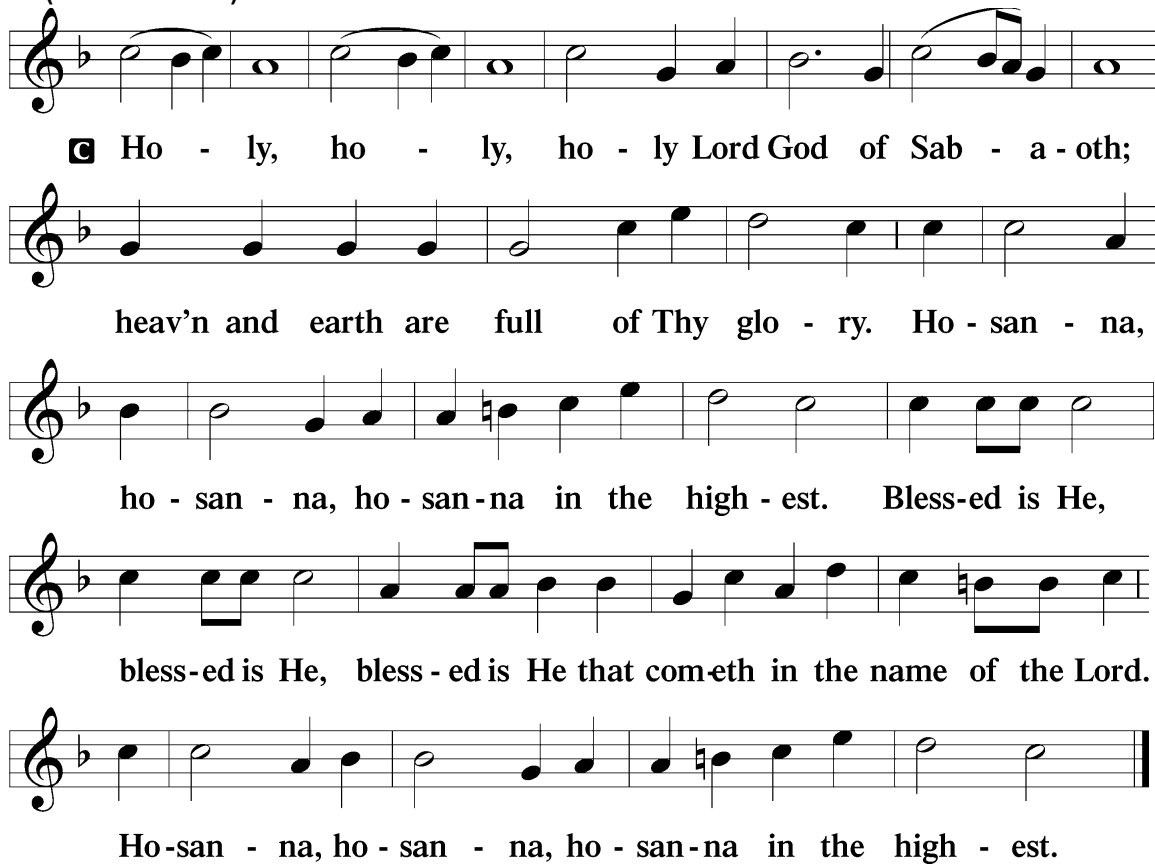
**C It is meet and right so to do.**

*(10:30 Service continues with the Lord's Prayer)*

P 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, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**Sanctus (5:30 & 8:00)**

*LSB 195*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,  
bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

**Lord's Prayer**

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C** **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**

*LSB 197*



**Pax Domini**

*LSB 197*

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** **Amen.**

**Agnus Dei**

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

**Distribution**

Hymn #619	Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior
Hymn #508	The Day Is Surely Drawing Near

**“The Lamb”**

(10:30) *Communion Song*

*The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where’s the sacrifice  
Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price!*

*Refrain*

*Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!  
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!*

*The Lamb, the Lamb, One perfect final offering.  
The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav’n His praise to sing.   Refrain*

*The Lamb, the Lamb, As wayward sheep their shepherd kill  
So still, His will On our behalf the Law to fill.   Refrain*

*He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretchedness.  
He lives, forgives, He gives me His own righteousness.   Refrain*

*He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now overflows.  
His song prolong Till ev’ry heart to Him belong.   Refrain*

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P Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

## Benediction

Hymn #762

There Is a Time for Everything

*"Your Grace Is Enough"*

(10:30) Closing Song

*Great is Your faithfulness Oh God  
You wrestle with the sinner's heart  
You lead us by still waters and to mercy  
And nothing can keep us apart*

*Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough for me*

*So remember Your people  
Remember Your children  
Remember Your promise  
Oh God*

*Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough for me*

*Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough for me*

*So remember Your people  
Remember Your children  
Remember Your promise  
Oh God*

*Great is Your love and justice God  
You use the weak to lead the strong  
You lead us in the song of Your salvation  
And all Your people sing along*

*Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough for me*

*So remember Your people  
Remember Your children  
Remember Your promise  
Oh God*

*Your grace is enough  
Heaven reaching down to us  
Your grace is enough for me  
God I see Your grace is enough  
I'm covered in Your love  
Your grace is enough for me  
For me*

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