

**Welcome!**

**St. John's  
Lutheran  
Church**

(LCMS)

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Sun. 9:15 am

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Sun. 8:00 am

Sun. 10:30 am

***Proclaim the  
Christ.***

***Grow the  
Family.***

***Love the  
Neighbor.***

**Pastors**

Mike Burdick  
Trey Dille

**Sept. 15, 2024**

17<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.

- Offerings are placed in the boxes at the North and West doors, before or after worship.
- 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 the acolyte 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. Trey Dille.....	Pastor
Rev. Gary Fortkamp .....	Visitation Pastor
Mrs. Carrie Collier.....	Preschool Director
Mrs. Ruth Bray.....	Organist
Ms. Lilli Wernsing .....	Song Leader
St. John's Praise Band .....	10:30am Music
Maddux Wyckoff, Alexa Westjohn, & 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 Wall (217-343-6482) .....	Elder on Duty for September 15 - 21
Chatelain School & Baja School .....	Our Schools for feeding in Haiti
Ms. Janet Martins.....	(773-463-0617) Stephen Ministry Leader
Mrs. Julie Scott .....	(217-343-3047) Prayer Partner Coordinator
State, National & International Missions .....	through our District and Synod



The Lord's Supper is celebrated at St. John's in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives us 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. Jesus invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until

He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder. Thank you.

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

***"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"***

***Preservice #1***

*Lord, I lift Your name on high.*

*Lord, I love to sing Your praises.*

*I'm so glad You're in my life.*

*I'm so glad You came to save us.*

*You came from Heaven to earth to show the way,*

*From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay;*

*From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;*

*Lord, I lift Your name on high. (Repeat)*

"Lord I Lift Your Name On High" written by Rick Founds1989 Maranatha Praise, Inc. Scripture Reference: Hebrews 2:12; Genesis 46:28 CCLI Song: 117947 CCLI License: 51072

***"Thy Word"***

***Preservice #2***

*Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.*

*Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.*

*When I feel afraid and I think I've lost my way,*

*Still you're there right beside me.*

*Nothing will I fear as long as You are near,*

*Please be near me to the end.*

*Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.*

*Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.*

*I will not forget Your love for me and yet,*

*My heart forever is wandering.*

*Jesus be my guide and hold me to Your side,*

*and I will love You to the end.*

*Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.*

*Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.*

*And a light unto my path, You're the light unto my path.* "Thy Word" written by Amy Grant, Michael W. Smith© 1984 Meadowgreen Music Company Scripture Reference: Psalm 119:105 CCLI Song: 14301 CCLI License: 51072

## DIVINE SERVICE ONE



Prelude

Call to Worship

Welcome

Hymn #790 (vv. 1-4)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

*“Sanctuary”*

*(10:30) Opening Song*

*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary*

*Pure and Holy, tried and true.*

*With thanksgiving, I'll be a living*

*sanctuary for you. (Repeat)*

"Sanctuary" written by John W. Thompson, Randy Scruggs 1982 Whole Armor Publishing Company Scripture Reference: Romans 12:1 CCLI Song: 24140 CCLI License: 51072

### Confession and Absolution

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

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

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore 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

*Mark 10:47*

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen.**

**Response of Praise: Hymn #790 (v. 5)**

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

**5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!**

**All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!**

**Let the Amen**

**Sound from His people again;**

**Gladly forever adore Him!**

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–80; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.



### Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

<sup>4</sup>The Lord GOD has given me  
the tongue of those who are taught,  
that I may know how to sustain with a word  
him who is weary.

Morning by morning he awakens;  
he awakens my ear  
to hear as those who are taught.

<sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious;  
I turned not backward.

<sup>6</sup>I gave my back to those who strike,  
and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard;  
I hid not my face  
from disgrace and spitting.

<sup>7</sup>But the Lord GOD helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like a flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame.

<sup>8</sup>He who vindicates me is near.  
Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.

Who is my adversary?  
Let him come near to me.

<sup>9</sup>Behold, the Lord GOD helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?  
Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment;  
the moth will eat them up.

<sup>10</sup>Who among you fears the LORD  
and obeys the voice of his servant?  
Let him who walks in darkness  
and has no light  
trust in the name of the LORD  
and rely on his God.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

<sup>1</sup>I love the LORD, because he has heard  
**my voice and my pleas for mercy.**

<sup>2</sup>Because he inclined his ear to me,  
**therefore I will call on him as long as I live.**

<sup>3</sup>The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;  
**I suffered distress and anguish.**

<sup>4</sup>Then I called on the name of the LORD:  
**“O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!”**

<sup>5</sup>Gracious is the LORD, and righteous;  
**our God is merciful.**

<sup>6</sup>The LORD preserves the simple;  
**when I was brought low, he saved me.**

<sup>7</sup>Return, O my soul, to your rest;  
**for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.**

<sup>8</sup>For you have delivered my soul from death,  
**my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling;**

<sup>9</sup>I will walk before the LORD  
**in the land of the living.**

## Epistle

James 3:1–12

<sup>1</sup>Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. <sup>2</sup>For we all stumble in many ways, and if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. <sup>3</sup>If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. <sup>4</sup>Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. <sup>5</sup>So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.

How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! <sup>6</sup>And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. <sup>7</sup>For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, <sup>8</sup>but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. <sup>9</sup>With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. <sup>10</sup>From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. <sup>11</sup>Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? <sup>12</sup>Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia and Verse (5:30 & 8:00)

John 6:68 LSB 156



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Mark 9:14–29

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

**C Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>14</sup>When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. <sup>15</sup>And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to [Jesus] and greeted him. <sup>16</sup>And he asked them, “What are you arguing about with them?” <sup>17</sup>And someone from the crowd answered him, “Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. <sup>18</sup>And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able.” <sup>19</sup>And he answered them, “O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me.” <sup>20</sup>And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. <sup>21</sup>And Jesus asked his father, “How long has this been happening to him?” And he said, “From childhood. <sup>22</sup>And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.” <sup>23</sup>And Jesus said to him, “If you can! All things are possible for one who believes.” <sup>24</sup>Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, “I believe; help my unbelief!” <sup>25</sup>And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again.” <sup>26</sup>And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, “He is dead.” <sup>27</sup>But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. <sup>28</sup>And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?” <sup>29</sup>And he said to them, “This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to You, O Christ.**



## Nicene Creed

**C** 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.**

**Hymn #783**

**Take My Life and Let It Be**

***“His Mercy Is More”***

***(10:30) Sermon Song***

*What love could remember no wrongs we have done  
Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more*

*Praise the Lord His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness new every morn  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more*

*What patience would wait as we constantly roam  
What Father so tender is calling us home  
He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more*

*Praise the Lord His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness new every morn  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more*

*(continued)*

*What riches of kindness He lavished on us  
His blood was the payment His life was the cost  
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more*

*Praise the Lord His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness new every morn  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more*

*Praise the Lord His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness new every morn  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more*

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## Sermon

## "An Untamed Tongue"

*James 3:1-12*

## Prayer of the Church

### Preparation for Holy Communion & Catechism Review:

### The Sacrament of the Altar

*What is the Sacrament of the Altar?*

**It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and to drink.**

*Where is this written?*

**The holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and St. Paul write: 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 blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."**

*What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?*

**These words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins," show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.**

### Presentation of *Faith Alive* Bibles to 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Students (8:00 & 10:30)

### Offering Presentation and Collection of Cards

## Service of the Sacrament



### Preface

*2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]*

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

**C We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C 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 blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

### Lord's Prayer

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.

### Pax Domini

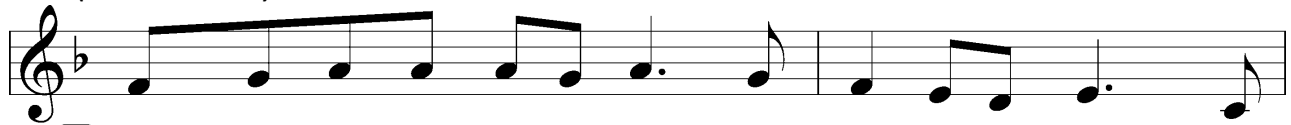
*John 20:19*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

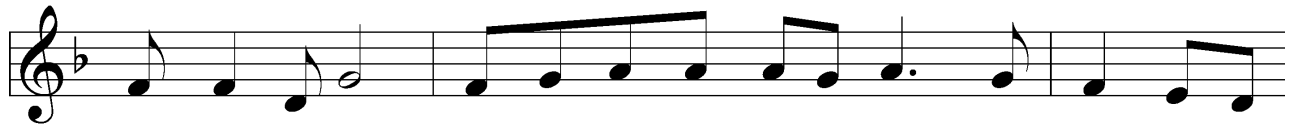
C Amen.

### Agnus Dei (5:30 & 8:00)

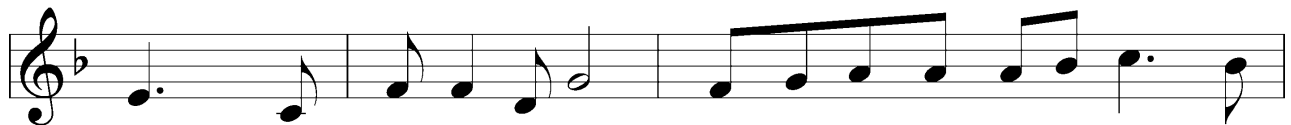
*John 1:29 LSB 163*



☐ Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

### Distribution

Hymn #618

Hymn #628

I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

Your Table I Approach

***“Just As I Am, Without One Plea”***

***(10:30) Communion Song***

*Just as I am without one plea  
But that Thy blood was shed for me  
And that Thou bidst me come to Thee  
O Lamb of God I come I come*

*Just as I am and waiting not  
To rid my soul of one dark blot  
To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot  
O Lamb of God I come I come*

*Just as I am though tossed about  
With many a conflict many a doubt  
Fightings and fears within without  
O Lamb of God I come I come*

*Just as I am poor wretched blind  
Sight riches healing of the mind  
Yea all I need in Thee to find  
O Lamb of God I come I come*

*Just as I am Thou wilt receive  
Wilt welcome pardon cleanse relieve  
Because Thy Promise I believe  
O Lamb of God I come I come*

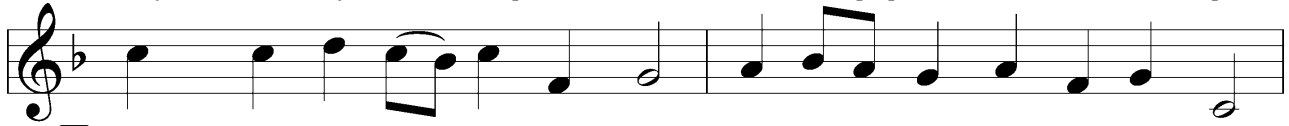
*Just as I am Thy Love unknown  
Hath broken ev'ry barrier down  
Now to be Thine yes Thine alone  
O Lamb of God I come I come*

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**Communion Blessing**

**Thank the Lord (5:30 & 8:00)**

[Psalm 105:1–3, 42–43]; [1 Chronicles 16:8–10] LSB 164



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

**Post-Communion Collect**

**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**

*Numbers 6:24–26*

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**C** Amen.

**Hymn #924**

**Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing**

## ***"Jesus Loves Me"***

***(10:30) Closing Song***

*Jesus loves me! This I know,  
For the Bible tells me so;  
Little ones to Him belong;  
They are weak, but He is strong.*

*Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me!  
The Bible tells me so.*

*Jesus loves me! Still today  
Walking with me on my way  
Wanting as a friend to give  
Light and love to all who live*

*Jesus loves me! He will stay  
Close beside me all the way  
Thou has bled and died for me  
I will henceforth live for thee*

*Jesus loves me! He who died  
Heaven's gate to open wide;  
He will wash away my sin,  
Let His little child come in.*

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## **Postlude**

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