

[We rise] **The Prayers of the Church**
 The *Te Deum Laudamus* Handout
The Kyrie, The Our Father, The Collects
 “God Bless Our Native Land” #965

The Service of the Sacrament p. 194
[Please review our Communion Policy, pg. 1 of this Guide]

Hymn **“Behold, a Host, Arrayed in White”** #676
[We rise] **Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”** #805

The *Nunc Dimittis* p. 199
 Thanksgiving, p. 200
 Salutation, *Benedicamus,* p. 201
 Benediction p. 202

 [We are seated for announcements]
Final Hymn **“The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us”** #514

Lessons for Next Sunday:
The First Sunday of the Church Year
1st Sunday of Advent

Old Testament of the Day: Jeremiah 23.5-8
Psalm of the Week: Psalm 24 (ant. v. 7)
Epistle of the Day: Romans 13.8-14
Holy Gospel of the Day: Matthew 21.1-9

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A Guide to The Divine Service

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Duncan Long: *Upon His Return*
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Redempti a Domino convertentur
“The ransomed of the Lord shall return”
The Last Sunday of the Church Year

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NOTE ON PARTICIPATING IN THE LORD'S SUPPER

As intended by Christ and as practiced by the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church throughout history, "closed communion" is observed here, in which the Lord's Supper is distributed only to those who:

- (a) are baptized in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit;
- (b) have been instructed in the truth of Holy Scriptures as taught in the Lutheran Confessions, have been confirmed in this Lutheran faith and practice, and now embrace this same Lutheran faith in the same way that it is believed, taught, confessed, and practiced in this congregation;
- (c) believe that in this Sacrament the real body and blood of Christ are truly distributed to them and orally received by them, bestowing on them the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation;
- (d) repent of all their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this holy meal.

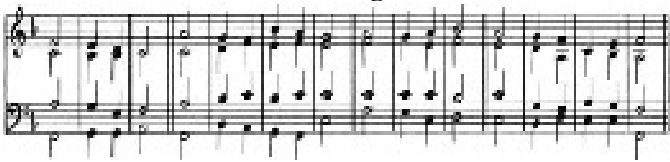
Guests at our services who are able to affirm these facts should speak to our pastor or the elder on duty before receiving the Sacrament. To other guests with us today, we express to you our sincere interest, friendship, and concern, and we assure you that it is for the spiritual welfare of all that we practice "closed communion," even as we continue to work toward the day in which all divisions over doctrine and practice within Christ's Church will be resolved. Those desiring to learn more about our beliefs are asked to speak with one of our pastors.

[We rise and face the Processional Cross]

Confession of Sins and Holy Absolution p.185

Entr. Hymn **"Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying"** #516

The Service of the Word begins with the Introit



Antiphon: The ransomed of the Lord / shall re- / turn: * And / come to / Zion with / song: || And ever- / lasting / joy * Shall / be up- / on their / heads. (Is. 35.10a)

And they / shall ob- / tain: * True / glad_ - / ness and / joy: || And / all_ / sorrow: and / sighing shall / flee a- / way.

O Lord, make me / know my / end, * And what is the / measure / of my / days: || Know / what it / is: That I may / know how / frail I / am. (Is. 35.10b; Ps. 39.4)

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The Gloria Patri, The Kyrie p. 186
The Gloria in Excelsis p. 187
Salutation p. 189

Collect for the 27th Sunday after Trinity: Absolve, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy people from their offenses, that from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Thy bountiful goodness; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **Amen!**

Collect for the Last Sunday of the Church Year: Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Thy Son, we pray, to lead home His bride, the Church, that with all the company of the elect, we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **Amen!**

[We are seated]

The Old Testament of the Day Isaiah 65.17-25

[The blessed state of the New Jerusalem]

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God!**

Epistle of the Day 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11

[Christ's Second Coming]

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

[We rise] **The Holy Gospel of the Day**
The Gradual of the Day and Nine-Fold Alleluia

(using the Introit Psalm tone)

The King's daughter is all / glorious with- / in: *

Her / clothing is / of wrought / gold ||

She shall be brought unto the King's Son: Alleluia! / Al - le / luia!*

In raiment of needlework. / Al - le / lu_ - / -ia!

The virgins, / her com- / panions, *

That follow her / shall be / brought unto / Thee: ||

With gladness and rejoicing shall they be brought: Alleluia! / Al - le / luia!*

They shall enter into the king's palace. / Al - le / lu_ - / -ia! (Ps. 45.13-15)

The Triple Alleluia p. 190

The Holy Gospel
Announcement of the Holy Gospel

Holy Gospel of the Day Matthew 25.1-13

[The Wise and Unwise Virgins]

Responses to the Holy Gospel p. 190-191

The Nicene Creed p. 191

[We are seated]

Chief Hymn **"Jerusalem, O City Fair and High"** #674

Sermon

[We rise]

The Offertory: "Jerusalem, My Happy Home" #673

[We are seated]

The offering is received

God richly bless you for your support of His work among us!