

[We rise]

The Prayers of the Church

The *Te Deum Laudamus* [Hand-out]

Kyrie, Our Father, Collects

“God Bless Our Native Land” #965

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[Please review our Communion Policy on

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[We are seated]

Hymn “O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth” #834

[We rise]

The *Nunc Dimittis*, Thanksgiving, p. 199

Salutation, *Benedicamus*, Benediction

[We are seated for announcements]

[We rise for the Final Hymn]

Final Hymn “Abide, O Dearest Jesus” #919

Septuagesima: 3rd Sunday before Lent

The people of Israel contended with the Lord in the wilderness. (Ex 17.17) They were dissatisfied with His provision. In the same way, the first laborers in the vineyard complained against the landowner for the wage he provided them. (Mt 20.1-16) They charged him with being unfair. But in fact he was not being unfair but generous. The Lord does not wish to deal with us on the basis of what we deserve but on the basis of His abounding grace in Christ. The first, those who rely on their own merits, will be last. Their bodies were scattered in the wilderness. But the last, those who rely on Christ, will be first. For Christ is the Rock. (1 Cor 9.24-10.5) He is the One who was struck and from whose side blood and water flowed that we may be cleansed of our sin. Therefore, Let him who glories, glory in the Lord. (Jer 9.23-24)

For Next Sunday:

Sexagesima: The 2nd Sunday before Lent

Old Testament of the Day: Isaiah 55.10-13
Psalm of the Week: Psalm 18
Epistle of the Day: 2 Corinthians 11.19-12.9
Holy Gospel of the Day: Luke 8.4-15

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A Guide to The Divine Service

9:00 A.M.

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Circumdedereunt me gemitus mortis
“The sorrows of death have surrounded me”
Septuagesima: 3rd Sunday before Lent
“The Workers in the Vineyard Sunday”

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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 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" #686

The Service of the Word begins with the Introit



Antiphon of the Day: The sorrows of death / compassed / me: *
The sorrows of hell / compassed / me a- / bout. || In my
distress, I called up- / on the / Lord: * And He / heard my
voice/ out of His / temple. (Ps. 18.4a, 5a)

**I will love Thee, O / Lord, my / strength: * The Lord is
my rock and my / fortress and / my de- / liverer. || My /
God, my / strength: * in / whom- / I will / trust.**

He / is my / buckler: * and the horn of my sal- / vation and /
my high / tower. || I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy / to
be / praised: * so shall I / be saved/ from mine / enemies.
(Ps. 18.1-3)

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of hell / compassed / me a- / bout. || In my distress, I
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**The Gloria Patri p. 186
Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis
Salutation**

The Collect for Septuagesima: O Lord, we beseech Thee favorably to hear the prayers of Thy people that we, who are justly punished for our offenses, may be mercifully delivered by Thy goodness: through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Savior, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **A - - - men!**

[We are seated]

Old Testament of the Day Exodus 17.1-7
[He called the name of the place, Massah and Meribah]
This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God!**

Epistle of the Day 1 Corinthians 9.24-10.5
[Run to obtain the prize]
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 Alleluias**

The Lord will be a refuge for / the op- / pressed: *
A / refuge in / times of / trouble.
And they that know Thy name will put their / trust in / Thee *
**For Thou, Lord, has not for-/saken / them that /seek
Thee.**
For the needy shall not always be forgotten: Alleluia!/
Alle- / luia!*
**The expectation of the poor shall not perish forever: /
Alle- / lu_ - / ia!**
Arise, O Lord: Alleluia! / Alle- / luia! *
Let not man prevail: / Alle- / lu_ - / ia! (Ps. 9.9-10, 18-19a)

The Triple Alleluia p.190

Announcement of the Holy Gospel
Holy Gospel of the Day Matthew 20.1-16
[The Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard]
Responses to the Holy Gospel p. 190

The Nicene Creed p. 191
[We are seated]

Chief Hymn "By Grace I'm Saved" #566

Sermon "*Preparing for Lent by Grace Alone*"
2012 Pre-Lent Sermons – "Preparing for Lent"

[We rise] **The Offertory: "Create in Me" p. 192**
[We are seated]

The offering is received
God richly bless you for your support of His work among us!