

# FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT



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# The First Sunday in Lent

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Saturday Worship 6:00 p.m. • Sunday Worship 8:00 and 10:45 a.m.

## WELCOME IN THE NAME OF OUR RISEN LORD

Welcome to Trinity! Today in the Divine Service God proclaims to us through Word and Sacrament the forgiveness, love, and salvation that He has won for us through the death and resurrection of His Son Jesus Christ. If you are new to Trinity or looking for a church home, we invite you to join our family. Please introduce yourself to our Pastors following the service. After the 8:00 a.m. worship service, please join us for coffee, fellowship, and Christian Education. At various points in the service you will be invited to refer to our hymnal, the **Lutheran Service Book** or LSB (image to the right), located on the back of the seat in front of you.



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## WORSHIPPING WITH OUR CHILDREN

Lent is the season of the church year lasting six weeks in early spring. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and ends the day before Easter Sunday. During these six weeks, we look forward to Good Friday, the day our Lord Jesus died on the cross to pay for our sins, and to Easter Sunday, the day that He rose from the dead to prove it! These forty days remind us of Christ's temptation in the wilderness (read about it in Matthew 4:1-11). During these forty days of Lent, we remember the faithfulness of God to His people and how His faithfulness is complete in Jesus Christ, our Savior. Maybe you could do a countdown to Easter during Lent and talk together as a family what it means that Jesus paid for our sins and rose again so we might have life.

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## THOSE SERVING IN WORD & SACRAMENT MINISTRY

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**Preacher:** Pastor Mark J. Nelson / **Liturgist:** Pastor Matthew B. Synnott

**Organist:** Cantor Peter Wykert

**Saturday 6:00 Service** – Comm. Asst.: Matt Hefflefinger, Mark Morrow; Altar Guild: Patty Schrock; Sound: Chris Pasold

**Sunday 8:00 Service** – Comm. Asst.: Ken Erdman, Eric Hipple, Bruce Boorum; Altar Guild: Sara Mol; Acolytes: Elsa Olmstead, Will Olmstead; Sound: Mark Stuckwisch; Ushers: Eric Wiesehan, Mike Wiesehan

**Sunday 10:45 Service** – Comm. Asst.: Alan Stahl; Altar Guild: Betty Hohlfeld; Acolytes: Izzy Seipold, Mariah Ford; Sound: Erich Smith; Ushers: Evan Jacobson, Dolores Snyder

# Divine Service - Setting Three

+ We Come Into God's Presence +

## Prelude

## Ringing of the Bell

## Opening Hymn

"O Lord, throughout These Forty Days"

Hymn 418



1 O Lord, through - out these for - ty days You  
2 You strove with Sa - tan, and You won; Your  
3 Though parched and hun - gry, yet You prayed And  
4 Be with us through this sea - son, Lord, And



prayed and kept the fast; In - spire re - pen - tance  
faith - ful - ness en - dured; Lend us Your nerve, Your  
fixed Your mind a - bove; So teach us to de -  
all our earth - ly days, That when the fi - nal



for our sin, And free us from our past.  
skill and trust In God's e - ter - nal Word.  
ny our - selves, Since we have known God's love.  
Eas - ter dawns, We join in heav - en's praise.

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*Please stand*

**Invocation:** 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.

## Confession of Sins *(please read responsively)*

Psalm 51:1–4

<sup>1</sup>Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your steadfast love;  
**according to Your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.**

<sup>2</sup>Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
**and cleanse me from my sin!**

<sup>3</sup>For I know my transgressions,  
**and my sin is ever before me.**

<sup>4</sup>Against You, You only, have I sinned and done what is evil in Your sight,  
**so that You may be justified in Your words and blameless in Your judgment.**

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

## Absolution

John 20:19–23

**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.

## Dignus es (A Song to the Lamb) “Heavenly Hosts in Ceaseless Worship”

Hymn 949



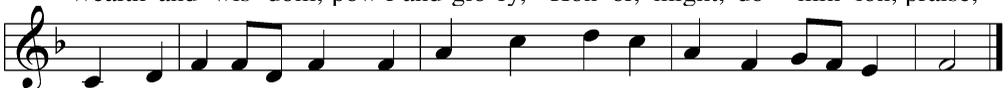
1 Heav'n-ly hosts in cease-less wor-ship “Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly” cry;  
2 All cre - a - tion, all re-demp-tion, Join to sing the Sav-ior's worth;



“He who is, who was and will be, God Al - might - y, Lord Most High.”  
Lamb of God, whose blood has bought us, Kings and priests, to reign on earth.



Praise and hon - or, pow'r and glo-ry, Be to Him who reigns a - lone!  
Wealth and wis-dom, pow'r and glo-ry, Hon-or, might, do - min-ion, praise,



We, with all His hands have fash-ioned, Fall be - fore the Fa - ther's throne.  
Now be His from all His crea - tures And to ev - er - last - ing days!

## Salutation

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

## Collect of the Day

**P** Let us pray.

**C** **O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated*

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## + God Speaks to Us +

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### Old Testament Reading

*Genesis 3:1-21*

<sup>1</sup>Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made.

He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden?'"  
<sup>2</sup>And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup>but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.'" <sup>4</sup>But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. <sup>5</sup>For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." <sup>6</sup>So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

<sup>8</sup>And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup>And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself."  
<sup>11</sup>He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" <sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?"  
The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

<sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. <sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and

her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

<sup>16</sup>To the woman he said, "I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you."

<sup>17</sup>And to Adam he said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, 'You shall not eat of it,' cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life; <sup>18</sup>thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. <sup>19</sup>By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

<sup>20</sup>The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. <sup>21</sup>And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

### Psalm 32:1-7 (Psalm Tone B)



<sup>1</sup>Blessèd is the one whose transgression is for- | given,\*  
whose sin is | covered.

<sup>2</sup>**Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no in- | iquity,\*  
and in whose spirit there is | no deceit.**

<sup>3</sup>For when I kept silent, my bones wast- | ed away\*  
through my groaning | all day long.

<sup>4</sup>**For day and night your hand was heavy up- | on me;\*  
my strength was dried up as by the heat of | summer.**

<sup>5</sup>I acknowledged my sin to you,  
and I did not cover my in- | iquity;\*  
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"  
and you forgave the iniquity | of my sin.

<sup>6</sup>**Therefore let everyone who is godly  
offer prayer to you at a time when you | may be found;\*  
surely in the rush of great waters,  
they shall not | reach him.**

<sup>7</sup>You are a hiding place for me;  
you preserve me from | trouble;\*  
you surround me with shouts of de- | liverance.

**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.**

## Epistle Reading

*Ephesians 6:10-17*

<sup>10</sup>Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. <sup>11</sup>Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. <sup>12</sup>For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup>Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup>Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, <sup>15</sup>and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup>In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; <sup>17</sup>and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Luther's Small Catechism: The First Commandment

**C** **You shall have no other gods.**

**A** *What does this mean?*

**C** **We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.**

*Please stand*

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

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

## Holy Gospel

*Matthew 4:1-11*

<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup>And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. <sup>3</sup>And the tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." <sup>4</sup>But he answered, "It is written, "'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

<sup>5</sup>Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple <sup>6</sup>and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, "'He will command his angels concerning you,' and "'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.'"

<sup>7</sup>Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" <sup>8</sup>Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. <sup>9</sup>And he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me."

<sup>10</sup>Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written, "'You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.'"

<sup>11</sup>Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated*

## Hymn of the Day

"Christ, the Lord of Hosts, Unshaken"

Hymn 521



1 Christ, the Lord of hosts, un - shak - en By the dev - il's  
2 Mi - chael fought the heav'n - ly bat - tle, God - ly an - gels  
3 Long on earth the bat - tle ra - ges, Since the ser - pent's  
4 Je - sus came, this word ful - fill - ing, Tram - pled Sa - tan,



seeth - ing rage, Thwarts the plan of Sa - tan's min - ions;  
by his side; Warred a - gainst the an - cient ser - pent,  
first de - ceit; Twist - ed God's com - mand to Ad - am,  
death de - fied; Bore the brunt of our temp - ta - tion,



Wins the strife from age to age; Con - quers sin and  
Foiled the beast, so full of pride, Cast him earth - bound  
Made for - bid - den fruit look sweet. Then the curse of  
On the wretch - ed tree He died. Yet to life was



death for - ev - er; Slams them in their steel - y cage.  
with his an - gels; Now he prowls, un - sat - is - fied.  
God was spo - ken: "You'll lie crushed be - neath His feet!"  
raised vic - to - rious; By His life our life sup - plied.

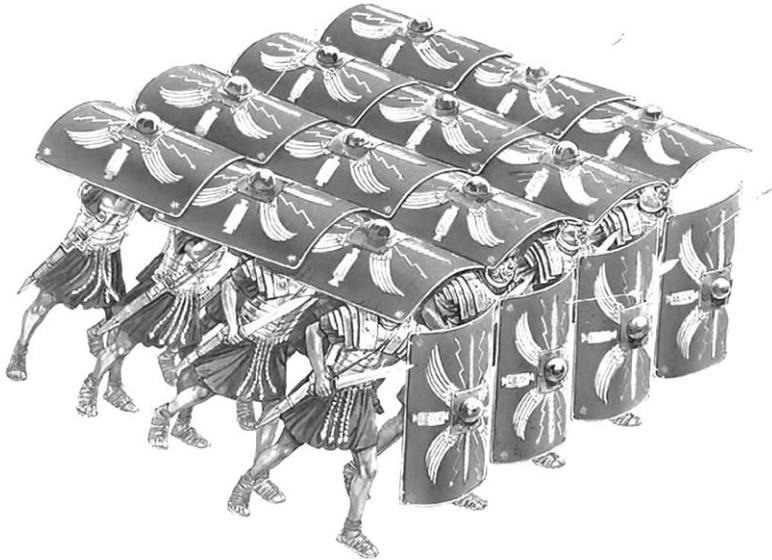
5 Swift as lightning falls the tyrant  
From his heav'nly perch on high,  
As the word of Jesus' vict'ry  
Floods the earth and fills the sky.  
Wounded by a wound eternal  
Now his judgment has drawn nigh!

6 Jesus, send Your angel legions  
When the foe would us enslave.  
Hold us fast when sin assaults us;  
Come, then, Lord, Your people save.  
Overthrow at last the dragon;  
Send him to his fiery grave.

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## Sermon



*Please stand*

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## + We Respond to God's Word +

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### Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And 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.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen.

### Offertory

*Psalm 51:10-12*



**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.

### Prayers of the Church

**P** ... let us pray to the Lord: **C** Lord, have mercy.

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## + God Serves Us His Holy Feast +

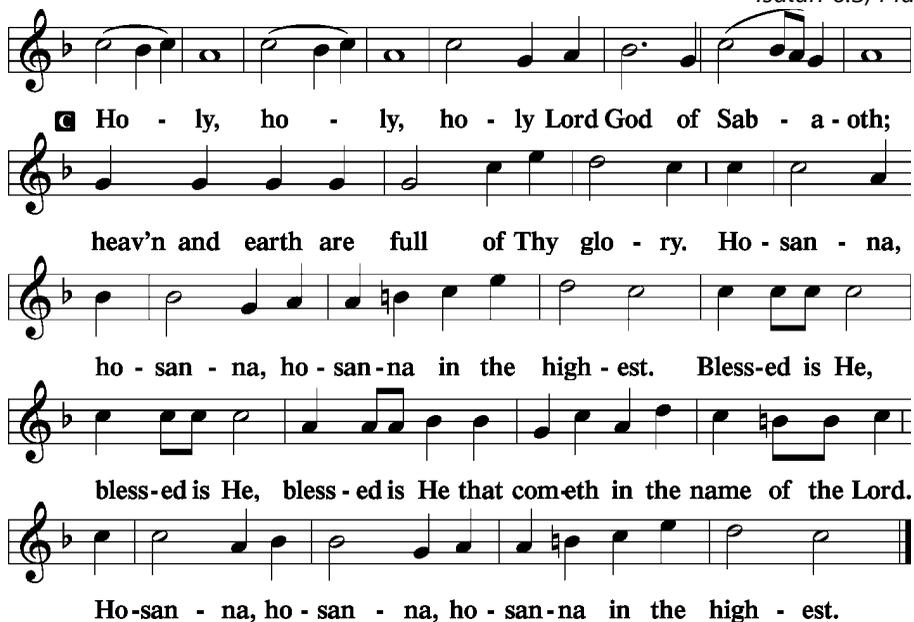
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### Preface

- 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.**
- P** It is right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who restores unto us the joy of Your salvation. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we glorify Your name and praise You singing:

### Sanctus

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



**C** 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

*Matthew 6:9–13*

### The Words of Our Lord

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24  
Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

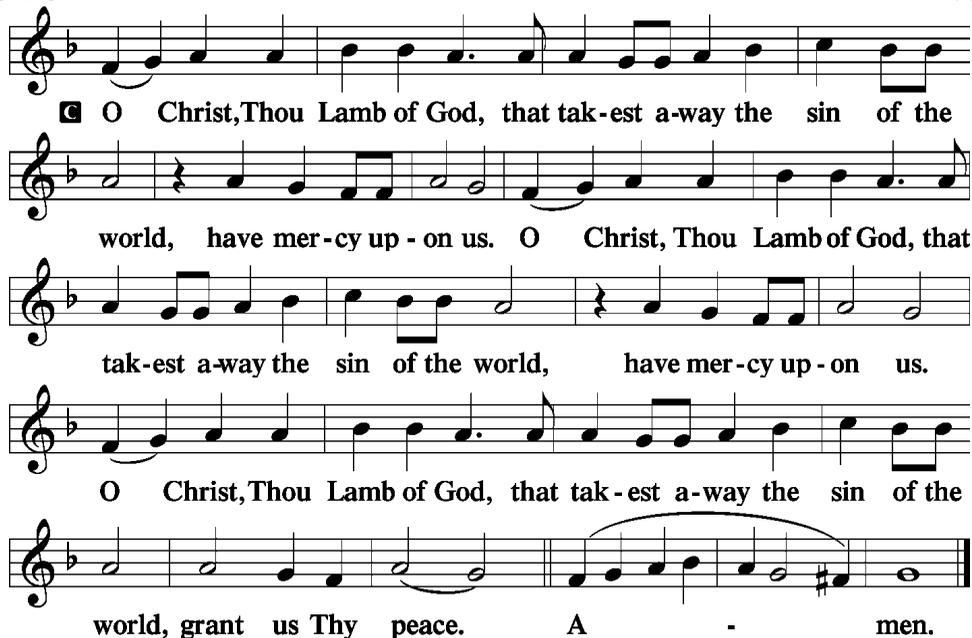
### Pax Domini

*John 20:19*

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

## Agnus Dei

John 1:29



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.

*Please be seated*

## Distribution

### Communion Statement

As a Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod (LCMS) church, we believe and confess that through the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper we receive the true body and blood of Christ in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine. As we commune with faith and repentance, we receive the forgiveness of sins and power to amend our sinful lives. If you would like to commune with us but are not a member of a church in fellowship with the LCMS, we ask that you schedule a visit with our pastor before communing. Our communion practice is not intended to exclude anyone, but rather to make certain that we, in love, faithfully administer the sacrament according to Christ’s institution.

If you are not communing, but wish to come forward to receive a blessing, please fold both arms across your heart. Children are also encouraged to come forward for a blessing.

### Sunday: Music During the Distribution

“The Tree of Life”

LSB 561

“All Mankind Fell in Adam’s Fall”

LSB 562

“Before the Throne of God Above”

LSB 574

### Saturday: Post-Communion Blessing

Please stand

## Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29–32



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -  
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

## Post-Communion Prayer

- P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, lead us now 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 again.
- G** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

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## + God Sends Us Out +

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### Thanksgiving

*Psalm 107:1*

- P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**G** and His mercy endures forever.

### 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  $\text{†}$  give you peace.

**G** A - men, a - men, a - men.

*Please be seated*

### Closing Hymn

“O Christ, You Walked the Road”

Hymn 424

1 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan-d'ring feet must go.  
2 No bread of earth a-lone Can fill our hun-g'ring hearts.  
3 No blind-ing sign we ask, No won-der from a-bove.  
4 When lures of eas-y gain With prom-ise bright-ly shine,  
5 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan-d'ring feet must go.

You faced with us temp-ta-tion's pow'r And fought our an-cient foe.  
Lord, help us seek Your liv-ing Word, The food Your grace im-parts.  
Lord, help us place our trust a-lone In Your un-swerv-ing love.  
Lord, help us seek Your king-dom first; Our wills with Yours a-lign.  
Stay with us through temp-ta-tion's hour To fight our an-cient foe.

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### Silent Prayer

## Dismissal

**P** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God!

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## Postlude

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