HYMN "Sing Praise to God" LSB 819

1) Sing praise to God, the highest good, The author of creation,

The God of love who understood Our need for His salvation.

With healing balm our souls He fills And ev'ry faithless murmur stills:

To God all praise and glory!

We sought the Lord in our distress;
 O God, in mercy hear us.
 Our Savior saw our helplessness
 And came with peace to cheer us.
 For this we thank and praise the Lord,

Who is by one and all adored:

To God all praise and glory!

4) He never shall forsake His flock,
 His chosen generation;
 He is their refuge and their rock,
 Their peace and their salvation.
 As with a mother's tender hand.

He leads His own, His chosen band:

To God all praise and glory!

RESPONSES

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. 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.
- 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: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
- P: Lord, have mercy upon us.
- C: Christ have mercy upon us.

- P: Lord, have mercy upon us
- C: And grant us peace. Amen.
- P: Let us pray. . . Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

Ez. 37:1-14; Rom 8:1-11; Jn 11:1-45

- P: This is the Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

THE 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.

HYMN.... "My Song is Love Unknown" LSB 430

- My song is love unknown,
 My Savior's love to me,
 Love to the loveless shown
 That they might lovely be.
 Oh, who am I That for my sake
 My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
- 2) He came from His blest throne Salvation to bestow; But men made strange, and none The longed-for Christ would know. But, oh, my friend, My friend indeed, Who at my need His life did spend!
- 6) In life no house, no home
 My Lord on earth might have;
 In death no friendly tomb
 But what a stranger gave.
 What may I say? Heav'n was His home
 But mine the tomb Wherein He lay.
- 7) Here might I stay and sing,
 No story so divine!
 Never was love, dear King,
 Never was grief like Thine.
 This is my friend, In whose sweet praise
 I all my days Could gladly spend!

SERMON..... John Chapter 11

PRAYER

- P: In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For the gift of divine peace and pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For this nation, especially in this difficult time when we are dealing a virus outbreak, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For all those in need, for those who are being laid off, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For ... [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] ... let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 NUNC DIMITTIS

- P: Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace;
- C: Your word has been fulfilled.
- P: My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of every people:
- C: a light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel.

- P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
- C: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P: "I am the resurrection and the life," says the Lord.
 "He who believes in Me will live, even though he
 dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will
 never die."
- C: Amen.

THE BLESSING

- P: Let us bless the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.
- P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ℍ give you peace.
- C: Amen.

HYMN..... "Christ, the Life" LSB 420

- 1) Christ, the life of all the living,
 Christ, the death of death, our foe,
 Who, Thyself for me once giving
 To the darkest depths of woe:
 Through Thy sufficience, death, and me
 - Through Thy suff'rings, death, and merit I eternal life inherit.
 - Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 5) Thou hast suffered men to bruise Thee, That from pain I might be free; Falsely did Thy foes accuse Thee:
 - Thence I gain security; Comfortless Thy soul did languish Me to comfort in my anguish.
 - Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 7) Then, for all that wrought my pardon,
 For Thy sorrows deep and sore,
 For Thine anguish in the Garden,
 I will thank Thee evermore,
 Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing,
 For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,
 For that last triumphant crv.

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And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

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