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WELCOME:

INVOCATION:

- L** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

OPENING HYMN:

Tune: LHS 465

- 1** Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To His feet your tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Evermore His praises sing:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.
- 2** Praise Him for His grace and favour
To His people in distress;
Praise Him still the same as ever,
Slow to chide and swift to bless:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Glorious in His faithfulness.
- 3** Fatherlike He tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame He knows;
In His hand He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Widely yet His mercy flows.

- 4 Angels, help us to adore Him;
You behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him,
All who dwell in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace.**

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CONFESSION OF SINS:

The Lay Reader introduces the Confession of Sins

L Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise. Let us first though consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

L Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C **He made heaven and earth.**

L If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

A time of silence to bring your sins before the LORD.

C **Almighty God, have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Further time for silence.

C **Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, Holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF GRACE:

- L** Almighty God, our Maker & Redeemer, has had mercy on us, and has given his only Son to die for us, and for his sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in his name he has given the right to become the children of God, and has given them his Holy Spirit. Amen.

INTROIT:

Psalm 145:1–3, 6–7; antiphon: v. 5

- C** On the glorious splendor of your majesty,
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.
I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name forever and ever.
Every day I will bless you
and praise your name forever and ever.
Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
and his greatness is unsearchable.
They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds,
and I will declare your greatness.
They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness
and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.
On the glorious splendor of your majesty,
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.

KYRIE:

- L** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
L For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
L 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; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
L For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
L Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

GREAT GLORIA:

LHS 895

C Glory be to God in heaven,
peace to those who love him well;
on the earth let all his people
speak his grace, his wonders tell.
Lord, we praise you for your glory,
mighty Father, heavenly king;
hear our joyful adoration
and accept the thanks we bring.

Only Son of God the Father,
Lamb who takes our sin away,
now with him in triumph seated –
for your mercy, Lord, we pray.
Jesus Christ, most high and holy,
Saviour, you are God alone
in the glory of the Father
with the Spirit: Three-in-One.

SALUTATION:

I The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.

COLLECT - PRAYER OF THE DAY:

C Almighty and most merciful God, the protector of all who trust in You,
strengthen our faith and give us courage to believe that in Your love
You will rescue us from all adversities; through Jesus Christ, Your Son,
our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Genesis 9:8–17

⁸ God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹“Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, ¹⁰and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. ¹¹I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” ¹²And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future

generations: ¹³I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” ¹⁷God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING:

Ephesians 3:14–21

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA:

L Alleluia!

C **Alleluia!**

L The Spirit of the Lord fills the world. Alleluia!

C **Alleluia!**

L Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people, and kindle in them the fire of your love.

C **Alleluia!**

GOSPEL READING:

Mark 6:45–56

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.

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

⁴⁵Immediately [Jesus] made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. ⁴⁶And after he had taken leave of them, he went up on the mountain to pray. ⁴⁷And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. ⁴⁸And he saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them, ⁴⁹but when they saw him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, ⁵⁰for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." ⁵¹And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, ⁵²for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored to the shore. ⁵⁴And when they got out of the boat, the people immediately recognized him ⁵⁵and ran about the whole region and began to bring the sick people on their beds to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he came, in villages, cities, or countryside, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and implored him that they might touch even the fringe of his garment. And as many as touched it were made well.

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

APOSTLES' CREED:

C **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, dead, and 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 OF THE DAY:

Tune: LHS 398

- 1 How wide the love of Christ!
It knows not class or race
But holds our one humanity
Within its broad embrace.**
- 2 How long the love of Christ!
Its patience will not cease
Until this broken world is bound
In everlasting peace.**
- 3 How high the love of Christ!
Beyond all thought it soars,
And yet upon our passing lives
Unmeasured mercy pours.**
- 4 How deep the love of Christ,
Descending to a cross!
He bears within His wounded hands
All human pain and loss.**
- 5 All praise to You, O Christ,
For love whose depth and height,
Whose length and breadth fill time and space
With endless life and light!**

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SERMON MEDITATION:

SERMON HYMN:

Tune: AT 635

- 1** How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss -
The Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.

- 2** Behold the Man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life -
I know that it is finished.

- 3** I will not boast in anything,
No gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart -
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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OFFERING PRAYER:

- C** What shall I give to the Lord
For all His benefits to me?
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving
And will call on the name of the Lord.
I will take the cup of salvation
And will call on the name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows to the Lord
Now in the presence of all His people.
In the courts of the Lord's house,
In the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

L In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For the whole family of God in Christ Jesus, that we may be strengthened with power through His Spirit in our inner being; that Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith; and that we may be rooted and grounded in love, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For the Church, that our Lord, who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, would be glorified in His Church and in Christ Jesus; that He would ground us in love; and that He would give us a faith rooted in Christ's promises and strength to comprehend with all the saints His love that surpasses all knowledge, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L To the Father from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that He would bless our families even as He blessed Noah, bringing forth new life under His promises, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For all marriages, that God would make them strong and fruitful according to His will; and for every home, that God's Word would rule there, uniting it in forgiveness and causing Christ to dwell in every heart through faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For our country, that the Lord of might would spare us and future generations from wickedness; for our leaders, that by God's blessing they would rule according to His good pleasure; and for God's protection over our armed forces, police and all public servants, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For all those in need, that they would trust the One sent to heal and make whole, receiving from Him health for body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L Gracious Lord, we bring before you all families in connection with our Parish Ministry; strengthen them in your Word that their faith may be sustained through this current season of their life:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For all who commune, that God would not allow our hearts to become hardened by indifference or frustration in this world, but would lead us to His blessed Sacrament with repentance and faith to receive forgiveness and confidence according to Christ's New Testament, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L Father in heaven, You name every family in heaven and on earth. We give thanks for our brothers and sisters in Christ who have finished their course in faith and now rest from their labours. Preserve us in the faith so that Christ might dwell in our hearts richly until that day when we join them around Your throne; for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER:

C **Our Father in heaven,
Holy be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive
those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
But deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.
Amen.**

AARONIC BLESSING:

- L** The Lord Bless us and keep us.
The Lord make His face shine upon us and be gracious to us.
The Lord look with favour upon us and give us His peace.
- C** Amen. Amen. Amen.

MISSION HYMN:

Tune: AT 172

- 1** May we be one,
Bound in love for ever,
Growing close together day by day
Growing as God fills us with his life;
We are joined in Him, He makes us one.

- 2** May we be one,
As our Father planned it.
May the love of Jesus make us strong,
No one can harm us when He is near;
He has brought us peace, He makes us one.

- 3** May we be one -
Jesus' truth to bind us.
With His body He unites us all;
Dying our death, He restores our life;
Living with us now, He makes us one.

- 4** May we be one,
Sharing life together
With the Father and His only Son.
Now we have life in this world of death;
Heaven has begun, He makes us one.
Heaven has begun, He makes us one.

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