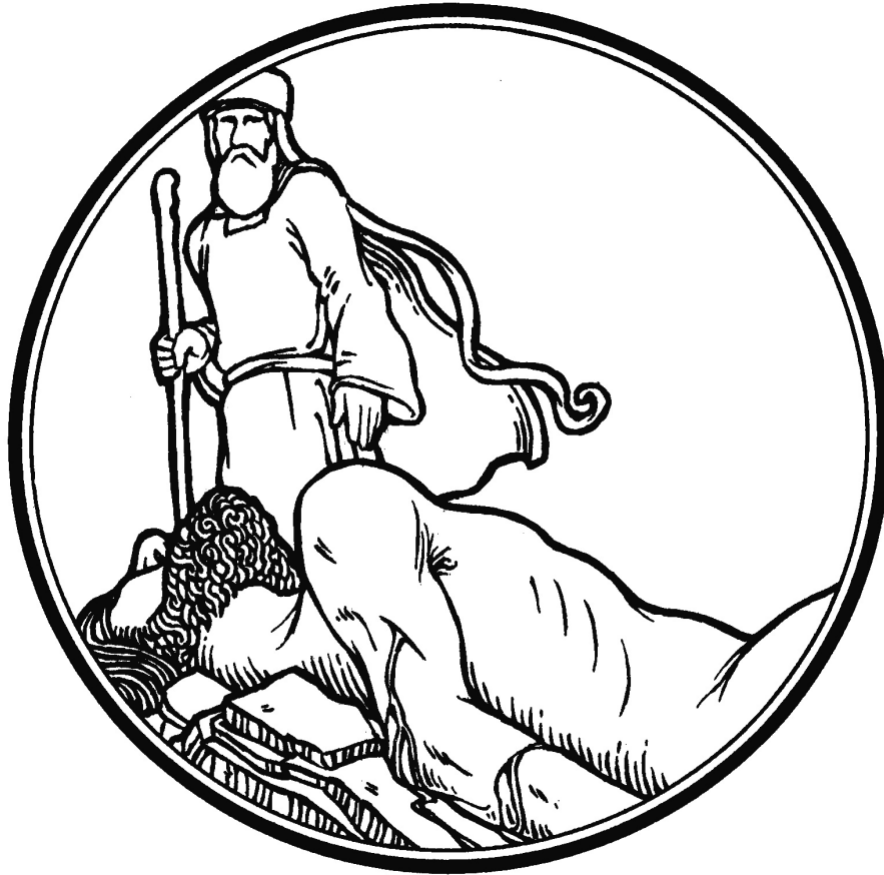


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**The Order of Worship
Divine Service Setting Three (LSB 184)**

*(Please stand if you are able for portions of the liturgy marked with an *)*

Announcements

Opening Hymn: Lord, This Day We've Come to Worship **LSB 911**
Confession and Absolution* **LSB 184**

Introit* (Ps. 74:1-2, 19b, 21b; antiphon: Ps. 74:20a, 21a, 22a, 23a)

Have regard for the covenant, O Lord;
let not the downtrodden turn back in shame.

**Arise, O God, defend your cause;
do not forget the clamor of your foes.**

O God, why do you cast us off forever?
Why does your anger smoke against the sheep of your pasture?

**Remember your congregation,
which you have purchased of old,**
which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your heritage!
Remember Mount Zion, where you have dwelt.

**Do not forget the life of your poor forever.
Let the poor and needy praise your name.**

**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.**

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let not the downtrodden turn back in shame.

Arise, O God, defend your cause;
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Kyrie* **LSB 186**
Gloria in Excelsis* **LSB 187**

Collect*: Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and charity;
and that we may obtain what You have promised, make us love what You have

commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading: 2 Chronicles 28:8-15

⁸The men of Israel took captive 200,000 of their relatives, women, sons, and daughters. They also took much spoil from them and brought the spoil to Samaria. ⁹But a prophet of the LORD was there, whose name was Oded, and he went out to meet the army that came to Samaria and said to them, “Behold, because the LORD, the God of your fathers, was angry with Judah, he gave them into your hand, but you have killed them in a rage that has reached up to heaven. ¹⁰And now you intend to subjugate the people of Judah and Jerusalem, male and female, as your slaves. Have you not sins of your own against the LORD your God? ¹¹Now hear me, and send back the captives from your relatives whom you have taken, for the fierce wrath of the LORD is upon you.” ¹²Certain chiefs also of the men of Ephraim, Azariah the son of Johanan, Berechiah the son of Meshillemoth, Jehizkiah the son of Shallum, and Amasa the son of Hadlai, stood up against those who were coming from the war ¹³and said to them, “You shall not bring the captives in here, for you propose to bring upon us guilt against the LORD in addition to our present sins and guilt. For our guilt is already great, and there is fierce wrath against Israel.” ¹⁴So the armed men left the captives and the spoil before the princes and all the assembly. ¹⁵And the men who have been mentioned by name rose and took the captives, and with the spoil they clothed all who were naked among them. They clothed them, gave them sandals, provided them with food and drink, and anointed them, and carrying all the feeble among them on donkeys, they brought them to their kinsfolk at Jericho, the city of palm trees. Then they returned to Samaria.

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

Gradual: You are the God who works wonders; you have made known your might among the peoples, You with your arm redeemed your people, the children of Jacob and Joseph.

Epistle: Galatians 3:15-22

¹⁵ To give a human example, brothers: even with a man-made covenant, no one annuls it or adds to it once it has been ratified. ¹⁶ Now the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring. It does not say, “And to offsprings,” referring to many, but referring to one, “And to your offspring,” who is Christ. ¹⁷ This is what I mean: the law, which came 430 years afterward, does not annul a covenant previously ratified by God, so as to make the promise void. ¹⁸ For if the inheritance comes by the law, it no longer comes by promise; but God gave it to Abraham by a promise. ¹⁹ Why then the law? It was added because of transgressions, until the offspring should come to whom the promise had been made, and it was put in place through angels by an intermediary. ²⁰ Now an intermediary implies more than one, but God is one. ²¹ Is the law then contrary to the promises of God? Certainly not! For if a law had been given that could give life, then righteousness would indeed be by the law. ²² But the Scripture imprisoned everything under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.

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

Alleluia*

LSB 190

Holy Gospel*: Luke 10:23-37

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 10th chapter. **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

²³ Then turning to the disciples he said privately, “Blessed are the eyes that see what you see! ²⁴ For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.” ²⁵ And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” ²⁶ He said to him, “What is written in the Law? How do you read it?” ²⁷ And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” ²⁸ And he said to him, “You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.” ²⁹ But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” ³⁰ Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to

where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. ³⁴He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, ‘Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.’ ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?’ ³⁷He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” And Jesus said to him, “You go, and do likewise.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed*	LSB 191
Hymn of the Day: Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me (Tune 766)	LSB 683
Sermon	
Offertory*	LSB 192
Offering	
Prayer of the Church*	
Service of the Sacrament*	LSB 194
Distribution Hymns: 579, 580,755 (Hymn of the Month), 637	
Nunc Dimittis*	LSB 199
Benediction*	
Closing Hymn: I Walk in Danger All the Way	LSB 716

Announcements

Parents Meeting August 28th: A new year of religious studies is right around the corner. For parents who have children that are not confirmed, please plan to attend our parents’ meeting this Wednesday, August 28th at 6:00pm. Please note, this is for all parents, including those who send their kids to Trinity – Hoffman. We will meet at the preschool to discuss the upcoming religion school year as well as ways to help you bring your child up in the faith and to prepare them for confirmation. So, mark your calendars and we’ll see you on Wednesday.

Rally Sunday: Today is Rally Sunday, which means we’re beginning a new catechetical year in the church and in our homes. With this, there are several important items to point out:

- The **Congregation at Prayer** starts anew. You’re encouraged to use this in your daily devotions in the home.
- **Sunday Morning Studies:** Sunday School had their kickoff breakfast this morning and will begin classes next Sunday. All non-confirmed kids are

encouraged to attend. All others are welcome to attend pastor's class in the sanctuary as we continue our study on seeing Jesus in the Old Testament.

- **Wednesday Religion:** Wednesday nights continue to be our religious studies night here at Bethlehem. All students in 1st through 8th grade are encouraged to attend. Similar to last year, members of the church are invited to attend pastor's confirmation class in the preschool basement. This is a great opportunity to review the basic tenants of what we believe, teach, and confess as Lutherans. Classes begin September 4th at 6pm.

Ultimately, all are encouraged to take advantage of these studies as we find great joy and comfort gathering around God's Word.

Installation of Sunday School Teachers: Prior to the Prayer of the Church this morning, we will have the installation of Sunday School teachers.

Help Wanted: We are in need of Sunday School teachers. If you have read the bible ever and have a basic knowledge of it - guess what - you are more than qualified to help instruct our youth in God's Word. And as you men are spiritual heads of your household, you are especially fit for this responsibility in our church. The time commitment is not too

much as teachers rotate monthly, and you will be given material to use for class. Ultimately, this is a wonderful opportunity to share God's truth with our youth and have a hand in raising up the next generation of Christians.

Apple Butter Orders: Get your orders in by September 1st to make sure you get some of the traditional tasty apple butter from the Ferrin Ladies Aid. It is loved in many states! Same price as the last few years, \$8.00 per quart and \$6.50 per pint, if you have your own jars, flats and rings; otherwise, it is \$1.00 per jar more, for us to provide them for you. Call or text Mia Zimmermann at 618-560-3814 or Ronda Zimmermann at 618-553-6206 to place your order.

Men's Club Meeting/Picnic: The men's club will be having a meeting/picnic Monday, September 2nd on the parsonage driveway at 6pm. Pastor Jennings and Jeff Pigg will be servers. All members are encouraged to bring a dish.

Congregation Work Day Planned: The trustees are planning a congregation workday for Saturday, September 14th beginning at 7:30am. There are numerous areas needing attention so members with all talent levels please consider assisting. Many hands make light work. Some of the projects that we will tackle that day are: painting (church, school, and parsonage), landscape trimming and removal, washing exterior of the parsonage, and leveling of the sewer line dirt. Thanks; look forward to seeing you on Saturday the 14th for a morning of fellowship and fun.

Attention: The wooden flower vase carrier with the vase inserts for the original vases is missing. If you have them or know where they might be, please return them to the church. Thank You!

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This Week in our congregation:

Sunday: 8:30am Bible Class/Sunday School
9:30am Divine Service
Wednesday: 6:00pm Parents' Meeting
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