

Today's Theme: Get a Glimpse of Heaven



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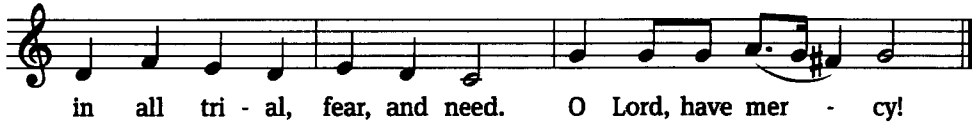
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Welcome

317 O Lord, We Praise You

CW 673 st. 1

1 O Lord, we praise you, bless you, and a - dore you,
in thanks-giv - ing bow be - fore you. Here with your
bod - y and your blood you nour - ish our weak souls that
they may flour - ish. O Lord, have mer - cy!
May your bod - y, Lord, born of Mar - y, that our
sins and sor - rows did car - ry, and your blood for us plead



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Stand

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Confession

Brothers and sisters in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard again how our Lord walked the path of suffering which led him to the cross for our salvation. We have also heard our Lord's call to intensify our struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that keeps us from loving God and one another. This is the struggle to which we were committed at Baptism; God's forgiveness and the power of his Spirit to amend our lives continue with us because of his love for us in Jesus our Savior.

Within the family of the Church, God never wearies of giving peace and new life. In the absolution, we receive forgiveness as from God himself. We should not doubt this absolution but firmly believe that our sins are thus forgiven before God in heaven, for it comes to us in the name and by the command of our Lord.

We who receive God's love in Jesus Christ are called to love one another, to be servants to each other, as Jesus became our servant.

In Holy Communion, first instituted on this night, the members of Christ's body participate most intimately in his love. Remembering our Lord's Last Supper with his disciples, we eat the bread and drink the cup of this meal. Together we receive the Lord's gift of his body and blood for forgiveness and participate in that new covenant that makes us one with him and one another.

The Lord's Supper is the promise of the great banquet we will share with all the faithful when our Lord returns, the joyous culmination of our reconciliation with God and each other.

As we begin the solemn celebration of our Lord's passion, let us confess our sins to him, receive his absolution, and be reconciled to God and each other in Christian love.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Our Lord Jesus Christ has forgiven us, has reconciled us to God, and has promised us the power to forgive and love one another. Relying on his promise, therefore, be reconciled with one another.

Brothers and sisters, may the peace of Christ rule in our hearts, in our words, and in our actions.

Be seated

317 O Lord, We Praise You

CW 673 st. 2

2 Your ho - ly bod - y in - to death was giv - en,
life to win for us in heav - en. No great - er
love than this to you could bind us; may this feast of
that re - mind us! O Lord, have mer - cy!
Lord, your love and kind - ness did move you; let your
sup - per move us to love you. All our debt you have paid;
peace with God once more is made. O Lord, have mer - cy!

The musical score consists of seven staves of music in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with various note values including quarter, eighth, and half notes, along with rests. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The final staff concludes with a double bar line.

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Reading

1 Corinthians 11:23–28

²³For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, ²⁴and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.” ²⁵In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.” ²⁶For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

²⁷So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. ²⁸Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

317 O Lord, We Praise You

CW 673 st. 3

3 May God be - stow on us his grace and fa - vor
that we fol - low Christ our Sav - ior and live to -
geth - er here in love and un - ion, nor de - spise this
blest com - mun - ion. O Lord, have mer - cy!

The musical score consists of four staves of music in treble clef. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a common time signature. The melody is written on a five-line staff. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The second staff continues the melody and lyrics. The third staff continues the melody and lyrics. The fourth staff concludes the melody and lyrics. The music is written in a simple, clear style suitable for a church hymn.

Let not your good Spir - it for - sake us; grant that
 heav'n - ly - mind - ed he make us. Give your Church, Lord, to see
 days of peace and u - ni - ty. O Lord, have mer - cy!

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Reading

John 13:1–15, 34

¹It was just before the Passover Festival. Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.

²The evening meal was in progress, and the devil had already prompted Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus. ³Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; ⁴so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. ⁵After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

⁷Jesus replied, "You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand."

⁸"No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet."

Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me."

⁹"Then, Lord," Simon Peter replied, "not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!"

¹⁰Jesus answered, "Those who have had a bath need only to wash their feet; their whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you."
¹¹For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not every one was clean.

¹²When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. ¹³"You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. ¹⁴Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. ¹⁵I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.

³⁴"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.

The Word of the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.

315 Here, O My Lord, I See You Face to Face

CW 660 sts. 1-2, 5



1 Here, O my Lord, I see you face to face;
 2 This is the hour of ban - quet and of song;
 5 Too soon we rise; the ves - sels dis - ap - pear;



here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen,
 this is the heav'n - ly ta - ble spread a - new.
 the feast, though not the love, is past and gone.



here grasp with firm - er hand e - ter - nal grace,
 Here let me feast and, feast - ing, still pro - long
 The bread and wine re - move, but you are here,



and all my wea - ri - ness up - on you lean.
the brief bright hour of fel - low - ship with you.
near - er than ev - er, still my shield and sun.

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Sermon: Look and Get a Glimpse of Heaven

Sermon Text

Exodus 24:1–11

¹Then the LORD said to Moses, “Come up to the LORD, you and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel. You are to worship at a distance, ²but Moses alone is to approach the LORD; the others must not come near. And the people may not come up with him.”

³When Moses went and told the people all the LORD’s words and laws, they responded with one voice, “Everything the LORD has said we will do.” ⁴Moses then wrote down everything the LORD had said.

He got up early the next morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain and set up twelve stone pillars representing the twelve tribes of Israel. ⁵Then he sent young Israelite men, and they offered burnt offerings and sacrificed young bulls as fellowship offerings to the LORD. ⁶Moses took half of the blood and put it in bowls, and the other half he splashed against the altar. ⁷Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it to the people. They responded, “We will do everything the LORD has said; we will obey.”

⁸Moses then took the blood, sprinkled it on the people and said, “This is the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words.”

⁹Moses and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and the seventy elders of Israel went up ¹⁰and saw the God of Israel. Under his feet was something like a pavement made of lapis lazuli, as bright blue as the sky. ¹¹But God did not raise his hand against these leaders of the Israelites; they saw God, and they ate and drank.

Stand

P: The Reception of the Lord's Supper

P: Fourth: Who, then, is properly prepared to receive this sacrament?

C: Fasting and other outward preparations may serve a good purpose, but he is properly prepared who believes these words: "Given" and "poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins." But whoever does not believe these words or doubts them is not prepared, because the words "for you" require nothing but hearts that believe.

Be seated

311 Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

CW 663 sts. 1-2, 8



1 Soul, a - dorn your - self with glad - ness; leave be -
2 Has - ten as a bride to meet him, and with
8 Je - sus, Lord of life in heav - en, help me



hind all gloom and sad - ness. Come in - to the day-light's
lov - ing rev - 'rence greet him, for with words of life im -
when this meal is giv - en to re - ceive it for my



splen - dor; there with joy your prais - es ren - der
mor - tal he is knock - ing at your por - tal.
bless - ing as I come, my sins con - fess - ing.



un - to him whose grace un - bound - ed has this won - drous
O - pen wide the gates be - fore him, say - ing, as you
In this sup - per let me mea - sure, Lord, how deep is



sup - per found - ed. He, though reign - ing high and
there a - dore him: Grant, Lord, that I now re -
your love's trea - sure, that, as I on earth have



ho - ly, deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.
ceive you, that I nev - er - more will leave you.
eat - en, I may be your guest in heav - en.

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309 Draw Near and Take the Body of Your Lord

CW 661 sts. 1, 3



1 Draw near and take the bod - y of your Lord,
3 Let us ap - proach with faith - ful hearts sin - cere



and drink the ho - ly blood for you out - poured.
and take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here.



Saved by his bod - y and his ho - ly blood,
Christ, who in this life all the saints de - fend,



with souls re - freshed we give our thanks to God.
gives all be - liev - ers life that nev - er ends.

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Siloah Communion Practice

If you have not taken communion at Siloah or a WELS church before, please refrain until you have a chance to talk with Pastor Steinberg so he can prepare and welcome you to this miraculous table of Jesus' true body and blood that unites us with God and each other.

Preface

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Proclamation of Christ

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Distribution of Communion

During Distribution, Senior Choir sings: "Take and Eat" CW 21

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, in the Sacrament of Holy Communion, you give us your true body and blood as a remembrance of your suffering and death on a cross. Grant us so firmly to believe your words and promise that we may always partake of this sacrament to our eternal good; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Abide with us, Lord, for it is evening and the day is almost over. Abide with us and with your whole Church. Abide with us in the evening of the day, in the evening of life, in the evening of the world. Abide with us in your grace and goodness, in your holy Word and sacrament, in your comfort and blessing. Abide with us when we are overcome by the night of sorrow and fear, by the night of doubt and affliction, by the night of bitter death. Abide with us and with all your people in time and in eternity.
Amen.

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.**

Let us praise the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Blessing

The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Amen.

Acknowledgments

Evening Prayer from Christian Worship

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"Love one another!"

Siloah Lutheran Church

Mission Statement

It is our God-given mission to **WITNESS** to the full and free forgiveness of sins through Jesus Christ in our community.

Our Objectives are:

- To **LEARN** more and more about God's grace through his Word and Sacraments in worship, Bible study, and our Christian school for strengthening of our faith, fellowship, and families.
- To **LIVE** as examples of God's grace as we gather to encourage one another and to help the physically and spiritually needy in our congregation, our community, and the world.
- To **LABOR** in love to share God's grace, the sweet message of the gospel, with our diverse community and all with whom we come in contact.

Actions steps from today's worship:

Learn More and More: Review all 4 parts of Martin Luther's Catechism parts and explanations. Use your own catechism or search online.

Live as Examples: Think about how you can examine yourself before receiving communion each time. Wake up for a special person reading, song or prayer.

Labor in Love: Post online that you took Holy Communion today or mention it in a conversation. Most will not know this is a special day and you can share why you hold it as important.



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Siloah's Beliefs on The Sacrament of the Altar (Communion)

The Sacrament of the Altar is:

- A gift which Christ our Lord has given to His Church
- A tangible form of The Gospel that assures us of sins forgiven
- A sacred act that expresses the full extent of Christ's love for His Church
- An expression of unity and oneness in faith with those that take it together

The Sacrament of the Altar is not:

- A sacred act that shows one Christian's superiority over another Christian
- To be consumed by anyone outside of the Christian Church
- Intended for unbelievers
- To be taken at Siloah until a person confesses unity with Siloah and the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS)

Scripture says:

Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all share the one loaf. – 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. – 1 Corinthians 11:27

Siloah's Communion Practice:

Out of love and respect for our Lord Jesus, instruction is given to anyone before they receive the Sacrament at Siloah. All Siloah communing Partners have been instructed and confess faith in unity with Siloah and the WELS. If you are not yet a Siloah Partner or a WELS member, please refrain from receiving the Sacrament of the Altar at Siloah until having a meeting with its pastor.

Siloah would be thrilled to have you join us for communion in the future! Our vacancy pastor would love to meet with you and prepare you to be blessed by communing at Siloah.

The reception of the Lord's Supper does not make a person a true believer and not taking communion with a particular group of Christians does not mean someone is not part of God's kingdom. Jesus says, "Whoever believes and is baptized shall be saved." - Mark 16:16

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