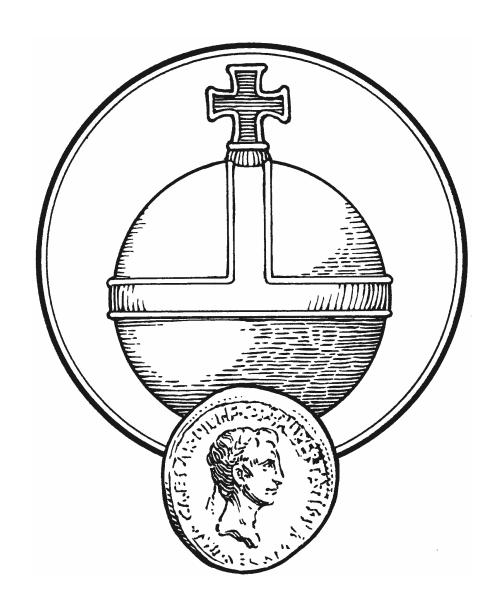
# DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



# LEBANON LUTHERAN CHURCH

Lebanon Church, VA

November 15, 2020

# **WELCOME**

Prelude followed by the bells.

# Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid

- 1 Creator Spirit, by whose aid
  The world's foundations first were laid,
  Come, visit ev'ry humble mind;
  Come, pour Your joys on humankind;
  From sin and sorrow set us free;
  May we Your living temples be.
- O Source of uncreated light,
  The bearer of God's gracious might,
  Thrice-holy fount, thrice-holy fire,
  Our hearts with heav'nly love inspire;
  Your sacred, healing message bring
  To sanctify us as we sing.
- 3 Giver of grace, descend from high; Your sev'nfold gifts to us supply; Help us eternal truths receive And practice all that we believe; Give us Yourself that we may see The glory of the Trinity.
- △ 4 Immortal honor, endless fame
  Attend the\_almighty Father's name;
  The Savior-Son be glorified,
  Who for all humankind has died;
  To You, O Paraclete, we raise
  Unending songs of thanks and praise.

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PREPARATORY OFFICE

# Invocation

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

Hymn of Invocation

### **Collect for Purity**

- Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

### **Exhortation**

- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

### **Confession of Sins**

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

### **Declaration of Grace**

- In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C Amen.

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

### **Apostolic Greeting**

- C And also with you.

### Gloria in Excelsis



# Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

# **Old Testament Reading**

Proverbs 8:11-22

<sup>11</sup>For wisdom is better than jewels, and all that you may desire cannot compare with her.

<sup>12</sup>"I, wisdom, dwell with prudence, and I find knowledge and discretion.

<sup>13</sup>The fear of the LORD is hatred of evil.

Pride and arrogance and the way of evil and perverted speech I hate.

<sup>14</sup>I have counsel and sound wisdom; I have insight; I have strength.

<sup>15</sup>By me kings reign, and rulers decree what is just;

<sup>16</sup>by me princes rule, and nobles, all who govern justly.

<sup>17</sup>I love those who love me, and those who seek me diligently find me.

<sup>18</sup>Riches and honor are with me, enduring wealth and righteousness.

<sup>19</sup>My fruit is better than gold, even fine gold, and my yield than choice silver.

<sup>20</sup>I walk in the way of righteousness, in the paths of justice,

<sup>21</sup>granting an inheritance to those who love me, and filling their treasuries.

<sup>22</sup>"The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old."

# Psalm 111

<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my | whole heart,\* in the company of the upright, in the congre- | gation.

<sup>2</sup>Great are the works of the LORD,\*

studied by all who de- | light in them.

<sup>3</sup>Full of splendor and majesty ∣ is his work,\* and his righteousness endures for- ∣ ever.

<sup>4</sup>He has caused his wondrous works to be re- | membered;\* the LORD is gracious and | merciful.

<sup>5</sup>He provides food for those who | fear him;\* he remembers his covenant for | ever.

<sup>6</sup>He has shown his people the power ∣ of his works,\* in giving them the inheritance of the ∣ nations.

7The works of his hands are faith- | ful and just;\* all his precepts are | trustworthy;

8they are established forever and | ever,\*

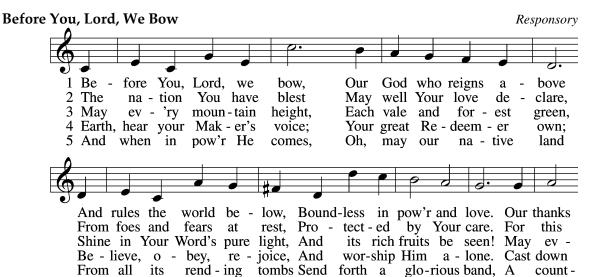
to be performed with faithfulness and up- | rightness.

<sup>9</sup>He sent redemption to his people;

he has commanded his covenant for- | ever.\*

Holy and awesome | is his name!

<sup>10</sup>The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good under- | standing.\* His praise endures for- | ever!



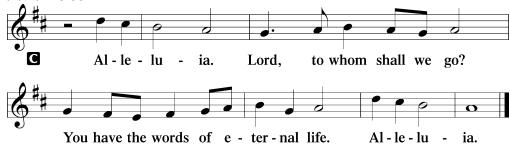


Epistle Philippians 3:17–21

<sup>17</sup>Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. <sup>18</sup>For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. <sup>19</sup>Their end is destruction, their god is their belly,

and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. <sup>20</sup>But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup>who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

### Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel St. Matthew 22:15–22

<sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. <sup>16</sup>And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. <sup>17</sup>Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" <sup>18</sup>But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? <sup>19</sup>Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. <sup>20</sup>And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" <sup>21</sup>They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." <sup>22</sup>When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

### Sermon



### Apostles' Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day He rose again.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life 

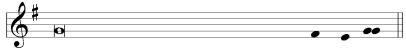
→ everlasting. Amen.

# Prayer of the Church

# The Lord's Prayer

C 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.





P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.





# **Congregational Announcements**

# Dismissal

# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

# **Offertory Prayer**

- **P** Merciful Father,
- We offer with joy and thanksgiving, what you have first given us: our selves, our time, and our possessions signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Him Who offered Himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

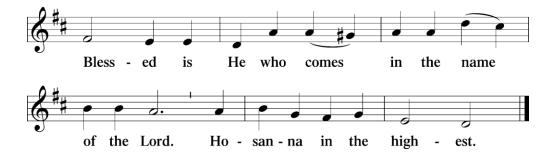
### **Preface**



# **Proper Preface**

# Sanctus





### Prayer of Thanksgiving

### The Words of Our Lord

### The Lord's Prayer

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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.

Sit.

### Administration

### **Blessing**

# **Post-Communion Prayer**

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### **Benediction**



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 + give you peace.



#### **Dismissal**

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### PRAYER REQUESTS

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### **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Semi-annual congregational meeting today** following worship. Items on the agenda include: Voting on the proposed 2021budget, voting on proposed council members, and voting on an amendment to the NALC constitution.

### Zoom Meetings this week:

Monday 10am – Occasional Services Class Monday 7pm – Revelation Study Thursday 7pm - CREDO

Contact Pastor Chris for more information.

Pastor Chris will be available on Wednesdays, 10:30am – 3pm for Communions. Please call for an appointment.

**Poinsettia Orders** are being accepted through next Sunday, November 22. The price is \$12 for each single-branched Poinsettia in a 6 1/2" pot wrapped in green foil. Color choices are red, white, or pink. **ORDERS MUST BE IN BY THE 22ND.** Plants will be delivered to the church. There is a signup sheet on the table in the fellowship hall.

You are invited to help decorate the Chrismon Tree on Tuesday, November 24, at 6pm.

A Noisy Offering will be collected on Sunday, November 29. Proceeds will benefit School Breakfasts for Kids.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

- Christmas Eve Service, December 24, 11 pm
- Christmas Day Service, December 25, 10am

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