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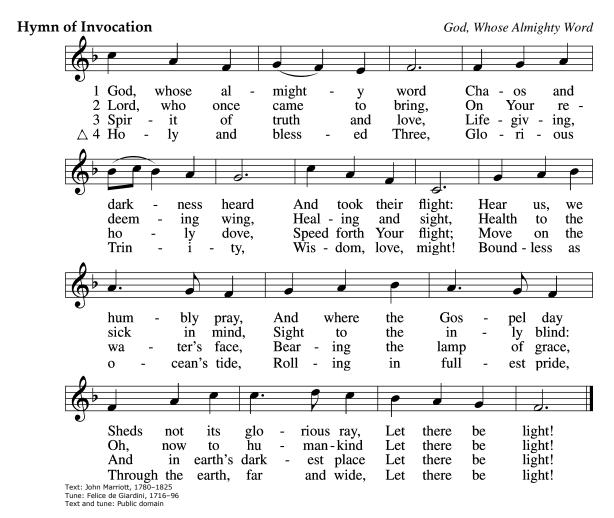
Fifty days until Easter



FEBRUARY 11, 2024 LEBANON LUTHERAN CHURCH Lebanon Church, VA

Announcement of the Day

After the bell, the congregation stands for the Entrance Hymn.



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PREPARATORY SERVICE

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

 $\blacksquare In the name of the Father and of the <math>+$ Son and of the Holy Spirit.



Amen.

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.

The Summary of the Law

P Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the First and Great Commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two Commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

Exhortation

1 John 1:8–9

- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- **C** 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.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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.

Absolution

[John 20:19-23]

C Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Introit

Psalm 31:1, 5, 9, 16; antiphon: vv. 2b-3

Be a rock of ref- | uge for me,*

a strong fortress to | save me!

For you are my rock and my | fortress;*

and for your name's sake you lead me and | guide me.

In you, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be | put to shame;*

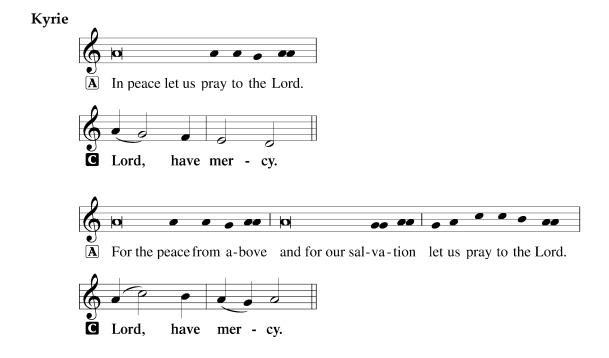
in your righteousness de- | liver me!

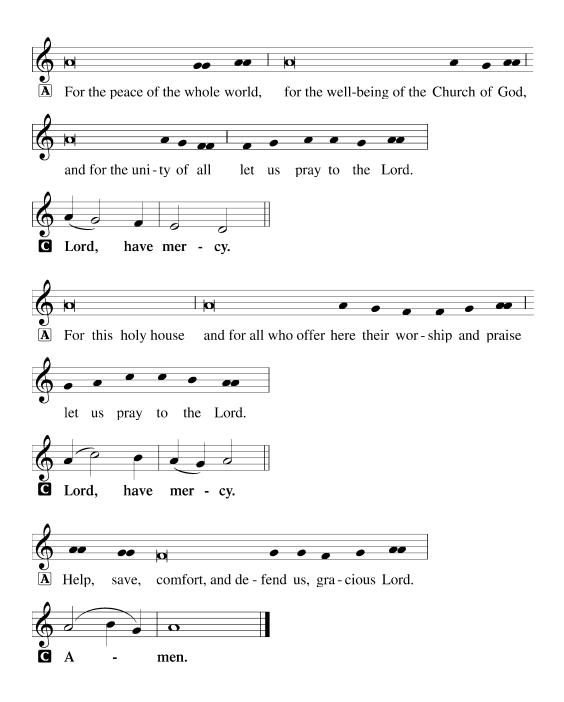
Into your hand I commit my | spirit;*

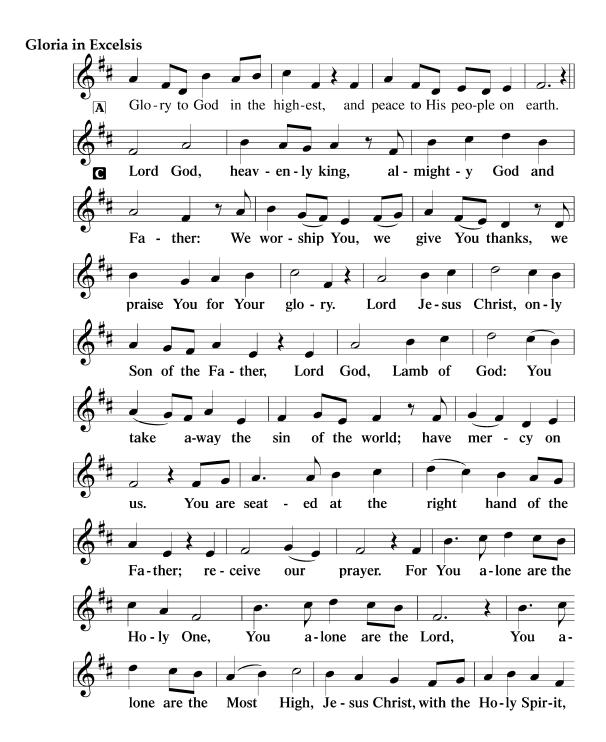
you have redeemed me, O LORD, | faithful God.

Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am | in distress;*

my eye is wasted from grief; my soul and my body | also.
Make your face shine on your | servant;*
save me in your | steadfast love!
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
Be a rock of ref- | uge for me,*
a strong fortress to | save me!
For you are my rock and my | fortress;*
and for your name's sake you lead me and | guide me.









Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



P Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully hear our prayers and having set us free from the bonds of our sins deliver us from every evil; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 35:3–7

Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees.Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not!Behold, your God will come with vengeance,
with the recompense of God.
He will come and save you."
Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
then shall the lame man leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.
For waters break forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;
the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water;
in the haunt of jackals, where they lie down,
the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

С

Psalm

Antiphon: Blessèd is he whose help is the God of | Jacob,* whose hope is in the | LORD his God,

Praise | the LORD!*

Thanks be to God.

Praise the LORD, | O my soul!

I will praise the LORD as long | as I live;*

I will sing praises to my God while I have my | being.

Put not your trust in | princes,*

in a son of man, in whom there is no sal- | vation.

When his breath departs he returns | to the earth;*

on that very day his plans | perish.

Blessèd is he whose help is the God of | Jacob,* whose hope is in the | LORD his God, who made heaven and earth. the sea, and all that is | in them,* who keeps faith for- | ever; who executes justice for | the oppressed,* who gives food to the | hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes | of the blind.* The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the | righteous. The LORD watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the | fatherless,* but the way of the wicked he brings to | ruin. The LORD will reign for- | ever,* your God, O Zion, to all generations. | Praise the LORD! Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Antiphon: Blessèd is he whose help is the God of | Jacob,* whose hope is in the | LORD his God,

Epistle

1 Corinthians 13:1–13

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Tract

Psalm 100:1-3

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all the earth!*

Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with

singing!

Know that the LORD, | he is God!*

It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his | pasture.

Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighteenth chapter.



Taking the twelve, [Jesus] said to them, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written about the Son of Man by the prophets will be accomplished. For he will be delivered over to the Gentiles and will be mocked and shamefully treated and spit upon. And after flogging him, they will kill him, and on the third day he will rise." But they understood none of these things. This saying was hidden from them, and they did not grasp what was said.

As he drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. And hearing a crowd going by, he inquired what this meant. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." And he cried out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" And Jesus stopped and commanded him to be brought to him. And when he came near, he asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, let me recover my sight." And Jesus said to him, "Recover your sight; your faith has made you well." And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him, glorifying God. And all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit

Sermon

Stand



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Apostles' Creed

C 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

Sit

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Baptized and repentant sinners who share our faith and confess that Christ's body and blood are truly present and administered under the forms of bread and wine are welcome to commune at this altar. Those who are not yet baptized or who are uncertain of their Confession of faith may come to the altar for a blessing. Cross arms over chest to indicate the desire for a blessing.

Offering

When the gifts have been received and the altar prepared, we stand for the Offertory.

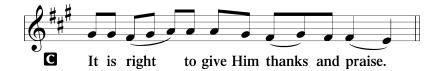




Offertory Prayer

- **A** Merciful Father,
- **C** 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.





Proper Preface

Sanctus



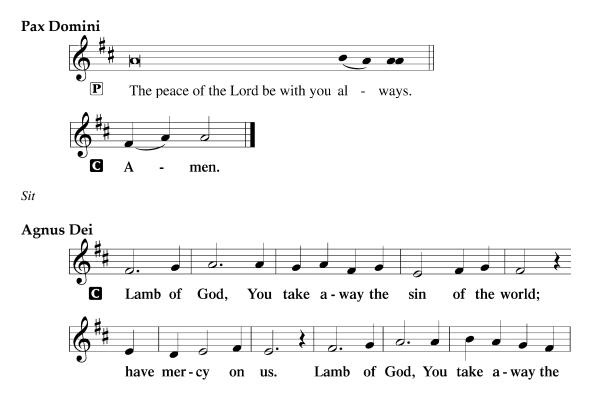
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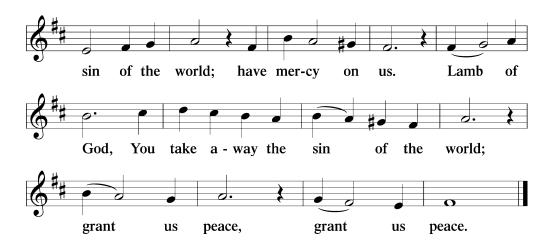
The Words of Our Lord

Proclamation of Christ

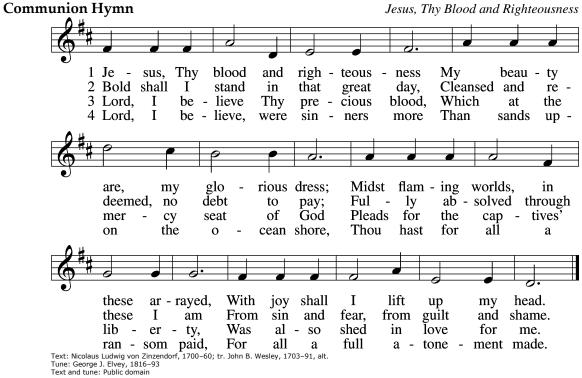
- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- **G** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

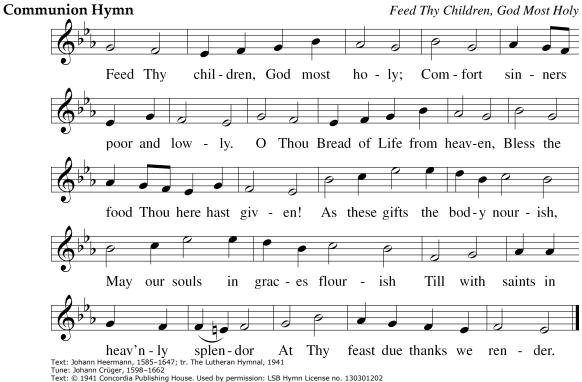
Our Father





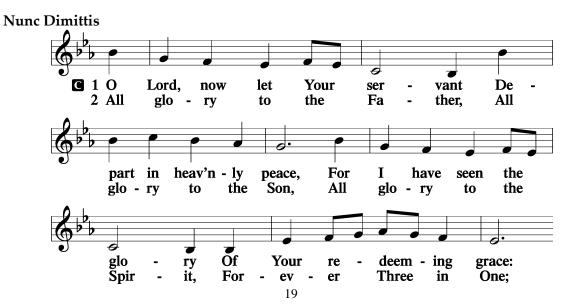
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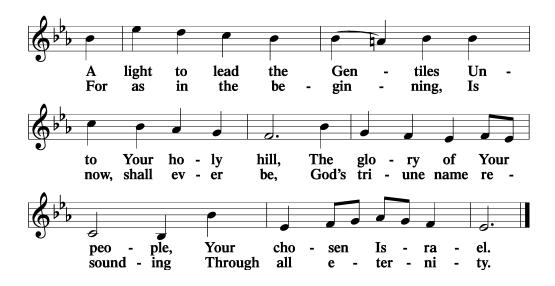




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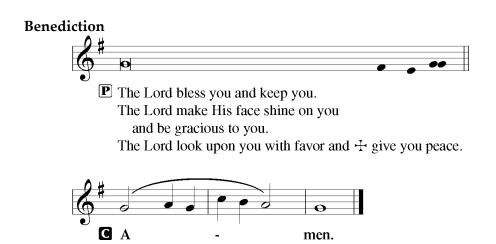


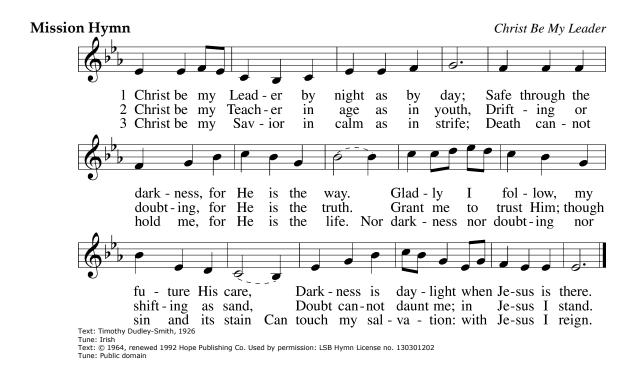
Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

The Assistant Minister offers the Collect.







The congregation is seated for the announcements.

Announcements and Dismissal

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Prayer Requests

Rev. Bill White, Fran Reidy, Robert and Revonda Denby, Stephanie Andre, Steve Lowe, Margaret Daley, John Marshall, Mary Artz, Ruth Rickard, Kathryn Flynn, George and Rose Beauchesne, J.J. Peterson and family, Orville Deming, for laborers for the Lord's Vineyard, for the Lutheran Church in the Valley, for Congregational Deacon Candidates, For vision concerning the stewardship of property, for a full-time pianist, for the restoration of civil peace in Ukraine and in the Middle East

Congregational Budget Information

Needed each week: \$3,173.71.

This Week

- Monday ZOOM Judges, 10am.
- Tuesday Service at The Maynard, 11am. Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper – 4pm to 7pm. Corporate Confession and Absolution – 7:15pm.
- Wednesday Matins with Imposition of Ashes 8:15am, Confession 10am, Midweek Holy Communion with Imposition of Ashes 3pm, Ash Wednesday Divine Service with the Imposition of Ashes 7pm.

Looking Ahead

- Congregational Meeting to ratify our Constitutional Amendment on SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18[™], after the 11am Divine Service.
- Neighborhood Watch Meeting at the church on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH, AT 7PM.

EASTER SERVICES



6:30am – Easter Sunrise Divine Service.

8:00am – Easter Breakfast

9:30am – Divine Service for the Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord.



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