

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

741 Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense

sts. 1-4



1 Je - sus Christ, my sure de - fense And my Sav - ior, now is  
 2 Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, lives; Like - wise I to life shall  
 3 No, too close - ly I am bound By my hope to Christ for -  
 4 I am flesh and must re - turn To the dust, whence I am



liv - ing! Know - ing this, my con - fi - dence  
 wak - en. He will bring me where He is;  
 ev - er; Faith's strong hand the Rock has found,  
 tak - en; But by faith I now dis - cern



Rests up - on the hope here giv - en, Though the  
 Shall my cour - age then be shak - en? Shall I  
 Grasped it, and will leave it nev - er; E - ven  
 That from death I shall a - wak - en With my



night of death be fraught Still with man - y an anx - ious thought.  
 fear, or could the Head Rise and leave His mem - bers dead?  
 death now can - not part From its Lord the trust - ing heart.  
 Sav - ior to a - bide In His glo - ry, at His side.

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Kyrie

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Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

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Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward  
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.  
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -  
on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.  
Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray. O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; 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

*Jeremiah 17:5–8*

<sup>5</sup>Thus says the LORD:

“Cursed is the man who trusts in man  
and makes flesh his strength,  
whose heart turns away from the LORD.

<sup>6</sup>He is like a shrub in the desert,  
and shall not see any good come.  
He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness,  
in an uninhabited salt land.

<sup>7</sup>“Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD,  
whose trust is the LORD.

<sup>8</sup>He is like a tree planted by water,  
that sends out its roots by the stream,  
and does not fear when heat comes,  
for its leaves remain green,  
and is not anxious in the year of drought,  
for it does not cease to bear fruit.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm

*Psalm 1; antiphon: v. 2*



**L** His delight is in the law | of the LORD,\*  
and on his law he meditates | day and night.

<sup>1</sup>Blessèd is the man who walks not in the counsel of the | wicked,\*  
nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of | scoffers;

<sup>2</sup>but his delight is in the law | of the LORD,\*  
and on his law he meditates | day and night.

<sup>3</sup>He is like a tree planted by streams of water  
that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not | wither.\*  
In all that he does, he | prospers.

**L** His delight is in the law | of the LORD,\*  
and on his law he meditates | day and night.

<sup>4</sup>The wicked | are not so,\*  
but are like chaff that the wind | drives away.

<sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked will not stand in the | judgment,\*  
nor sinners in the congregation of the | righteous;

<sup>6</sup>for the LORD knows the way of the | righteous,\*  
but the way of the wicked will | perish.

**L** His delight is in the law | of the LORD,\*  
and on his law he meditates | day and night.

## Epistle

*1 Corinthians 15:1–20*

<sup>1</sup>Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, <sup>2</sup>and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you — unless you believed in vain. <sup>3</sup>For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup>that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

<sup>12</sup>Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? <sup>13</sup>But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. <sup>14</sup>And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. <sup>15</sup>We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. <sup>16</sup>For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. <sup>17</sup>And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. <sup>18</sup>Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. <sup>19</sup>If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. <sup>20</sup>But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Alleluia

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**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

*Luke 6:17–26*

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

**C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>17</sup>[Jesus] came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, <sup>18</sup>who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. <sup>19</sup>And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came out from him and healed them all.

<sup>20</sup>And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

<sup>21</sup>“Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied.

“Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh.

<sup>22</sup>“Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! <sup>23</sup>Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets.

<sup>24</sup>“But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

<sup>25</sup>“Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry.

“Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep.

<sup>26</sup>“Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## Nicene Creed

- C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,  
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

## The Second Petition

**P** *What is the 2nd Petition?*

**C** Thy kingdom come.

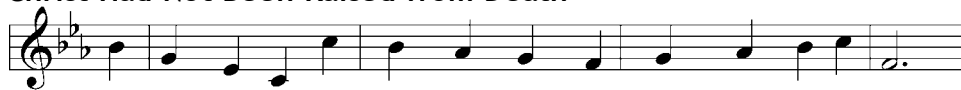
**P** *What does this mean?*

**C** The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also.

**P** *How does God's kingdom come?*

**C** God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity.

## 486 If Christ Had Not Been Raised from Death



1 If Christ had not been raised from death Our faith would be in vain,  
2 If Christ still lay with - in the tomb Then death would be the end,  
3 If Christ had not been tru - ly raised His Church would live a lie;



Our preach - ing but a waste of breath, Our sin and guilt re - main.  
And we should face our fi - nal doom With nei - ther guide nor friend.  
His name should nev - er - more be praised, His words de - serve to die.



But now the Lord is ris'n in - deed; He rules in earth and heav'n:  
 But now the Sav-ior is raised up, So when a Chris-tian dies  
 But now our great Re-deem - er lives; Through Him we are re - stored;



His Gos - pel meets a world of need— In Christ we are for - giv'n.  
 We mourn, yet look to God in hope— In Christ the saints a - rise!  
 His Word en-dures, His Church re - vives In Christ, our ris - en Lord.

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## Sermon

## Offertory

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**C** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it



from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -



tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

## Prayer of the Church

**P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the spread of God's kingdom, made manifest in the preaching and miracles of Jesus Christ, that a great multitude from every Gentile nation and from Judea's remnant may be gathered to know true Wisdom come in our flesh, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For all people among whom the Gospel is preached, that they would hold fast to God's Word and not believe it in vain, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For parents and those who teach children the Word of God, that generations to come may love God's promises, walk in His truth and dwell in His house, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For all who bear office in our land, that they would be a blessing to those they serve; for the callings God has given us, that we would render service to Him in our works of love toward our neighbor; and for those in need of honest labor and daily bread, that they would receive gainful employment according to His good and gracious will, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For those troubled by any unclean spirit, memory or thought; for the sick; and for all who need healing, *[especially Larry, Parweedee, Vicki, Carrie, Amitha, Ellen, Cynthia, Margaret, Jasmine, Josephine, Olga and Zygmunt, Olga, Anne, and Peter. For Mukhtar, Lindsey, Curt, Paul, June, Catherine-Ann, Lila and Emilie,]* that they would receive the power of Christ in the hearing of His Word and be cured, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For all who come to eat the holy body and precious blood of Christ for the forgiveness of their sins in the blessed Sacrament, that trusting in Him they may be filled with God's blessing, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For hope that reaches beyond this life, confident in the risen Christ who is the firstfruits from among those who sleep; for all who mourn, that they may have comfort in His life; and that we may live confidently in our expectation of the resurrection, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** Lord God, heavenly Father, plant us as trees by the stream of Christ, our Savior. Root us securely in His Word and wisdom. Do not let us turn from You, nor put our trust in man and this flesh, which fail. Preserve us from all anxiety, and take our fears away through right fear of You. Cause us, by Your Holy Spirit, to bear much fruit and, when affliction and persecution come, to stand firm and rejoice at the great reward that is laid up for those who trust in You; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Lord's Prayer

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

**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 upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ☩ give you peace.

**C** Amen, amen, amen.

## 741 Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense

sts. 5–8



5 Glo - ri - fied, I shall a - new With this flesh then be en -  
6 Then take com - fort and re - joice, For His mem - bers Christ will  
7 Laugh to scorn the gloom - y grave And at death no long - er  
8 O, then, draw a - way your hearts From all plea - sures base and



shroud - ed; In this bod - y I shall view  
cher - ish. Fear not, they will hear His voice;  
trem - ble; He, the Lord, who came to save  
hol - low; Strive to share what He im - parts



God, my Lord, with eyes un - cloud - ed; In this  
Dy - ing, they will nev - er per - ish; For the  
Will at last His own as - sem - ble. They will  
While you here His foot - steps fol - low. As you



flesh I then shall see Je - sus Christ e - ter - nal - ly.  
ver - y grave is stirred When the trum - pet's blast is heard.  
go their Lord to meet, Tread - ing death be - neath their feet.  
now still wait to rise, Fix your hearts be - yond the skies!

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