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**The Order of Service:** Divine Service Setting One,

LSB 151

**Opening Hymn:** Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

**LSB 904**

- 1 Blessed Jesus, at Your Word  
We are gathered all to hear You.  
Let our hearts and souls be stirred  
Now to seek and love and fear You,  
By Your teachings, sweet and holy,  
Drawn from earth to love You solely.
- 2 All our knowledge, sense, and sight  
Lie in deepest darkness shrouded  
Till Your Spirit breaks our night  
With the beams of truth unclouded.  
You alone to God can win us;  
You must work all good within us.
- 3 Gracious Savior, good and kind,  
Light of Light, from God proceeding,  
Open now our heart and mind;  
Help us by Your Spirit's pleading.  
Hear the cry Your Church now raises;  
Hear and bless our prayers and praises.
- △ 4 Father, Son, and Spirit, Lord,  
Praise to You and adoration!  
Grant that we may trust Your Word,  
Confident of our salvation,  
While we here below must wander,  
Till we sing Your praises yonder.

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

**P** In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**G Amen.**

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**G 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.*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**G 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.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{†}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

**Introit**

*Psalm 143:1–2, 8a; antiphon: v. 11*

For Your Name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life!

**In Your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!**

Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy!

**In Your faithfulness answer me, in Your righteousness!**

Enter not into judgment with Your servant,

**for no one living is righteous before You.**

Let me hear in the morning of Your steadfast love,

**for in You I trust.**

**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.**

For Your Name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life!

**In Your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!**

**Kyrie**

LSB 152

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C Amen.**

**Gloria in Excelsis**

LSB 154

**P** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

**C Lord God, Heavenly King, Almighty God and Father:**

**We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:**

**You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.**

**For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,**

**You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,**

**in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

### The Old Testament Reading

**Amos 7:7–15**

<sup>7</sup>This is what [the Lord God] showed me: behold, the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in His hand. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to me, **“Amos, what do you see?”** And I said, **“A plumb line.”** Then the Lord said, **“Behold, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of My people Israel; I will never again pass by them; <sup>9</sup>the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.”** <sup>10</sup>Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, **“Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel. The land is not able to bear all his words. <sup>11</sup>For thus Amos has said, ‘Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.’”** <sup>12</sup>And Amaziah said to Amos, **“O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy there, <sup>13</sup>but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king’s sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.”** <sup>14</sup>Then Amos answered and said to Amaziah, **“I was no prophet, nor a prophet’s son, but I was a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore figs. <sup>15</sup>But the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to My people Israel.’”**

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Psalm

**Psalm 85:8–13; antiphon: v. 7**

<sup>8</sup>Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for He will speak peace to His people, to His saints; but let them not turn back to folly.

<sup>9</sup>**Surely His salvation is near to those who fear Him, that glory may dwell in our land.**

<sup>10</sup>Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.

<sup>11</sup>**Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.**

<sup>12</sup>Yes, the LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

<sup>13</sup>**Righteousness will go before Him and make His footsteps a way.**

### The Epistle Lesson

**Ephesians 1:3–14**

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>even as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before Him. In love <sup>5</sup>He predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of His will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of His glorious grace, with which He has blessed us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup>In Him we have redemption through His Blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace, <sup>8</sup>which He lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup>making known to us the mystery of His will, according to His purpose, which He set forth in Christ <sup>10</sup>as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in Him, things in heaven and things on earth. <sup>11</sup>In Him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of Him Who works all things according to the counsel of His will, <sup>12</sup>so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of His glory. <sup>13</sup>In Him you also, when you heard the Word of Truth, the Gospel of your Salvation, and believed in Him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, <sup>14</sup>Who is the Guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of His glory.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

### Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156

**C** Alleluia.

**Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words of eternal life.**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

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

**G** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>14</sup>King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' Name had become known. Some said, "**John the Baptist has been raised from the dead. That is why these miraculous powers are at work in Him.**" <sup>15</sup>But others said, "**He is Elijah.**" And others said, "**He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.**" <sup>16</sup>But when Herod heard of it, he said, "**John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.**" <sup>17</sup>For it was Herod who had sent and seized John and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because he had married her. <sup>18</sup>For John had been saying to Herod, "**It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.**" <sup>19</sup>And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to put him to death. But she could not, <sup>20</sup>for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he kept him safe. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed, and yet he heard him gladly. <sup>21</sup>But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his nobles and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. <sup>22</sup>For when Herodias's daughter came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests. And the king said to the girl, "**Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it to you.**" <sup>23</sup>And he vowed to her, "**Whatever you ask me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom.**" <sup>24</sup>And she went out and said to her mother, "**For what should I ask?**" And she said, "**The head of John the Baptist.**" <sup>25</sup>And she came in immediately with haste to the king and asked, saying, "**I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.**" <sup>26</sup>And the king was exceedingly sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her. <sup>27</sup>And immediately the king sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison <sup>28</sup>and brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl, and the girl gave it to her mother. <sup>29</sup>When his disciples heard of it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

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

**G** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

*Sit*

**Hymn of the Day:** Jesus, Priceless Treasure

**LSB 743**

- 1 Jesus, priceless treasure,  
Fount of purest pleasure,  
Truest friend to me,  
Ah, how long in anguish  
Shall my spirit languish,  
Yearning, Lord, for Thee?  
Thou art mine,  
O Lamb divine!  
I will suffer naught to hide Thee;  
Naught I ask beside Thee.
- 2 In Thine arms I rest me;  
Foes who would molest me  
Cannot reach me here.  
Though the earth be shaking,  
Ev'ry heart be quaking,  
Jesus calms my fear.  
Lightnings flash  
And thunders crash;  
Yet, though sin and hell assail me,  
Jesus will not fail me.

- 3 Satan, I defy thee;  
Death, I now decry thee;  
Fear, I bid thee cease.  
World, thou shalt not harm me  
Nor thy threats alarm me  
While I sing of peace.  
God's great pow'r  
Guards ev'ry hour;  
Earth and all its depths adore Him,  
Silent bow before Him.
- 4 Hence, all earthly treasure!  
Jesus is my pleasure,  
Jesus is my choice.  
Hence, all empty glory!  
Naught to me thy story  
Told with tempting voice.  
Pain or loss,  
Or shame or cross,  
Shall not from my Savior move me  
Since He deigns to love me.
- 5 Evil world, I leave thee;  
Thou canst not deceive me,  
Thine appeal is vain.  
Sin that once did blind me,  
Get thee far behind me,  
Come not forth again.  
Past thy hour,  
O pride and pow'r;  
Sinful life, thy bonds I sever,  
Leave thee now forever.
- 6 Hence, all fear and sadness!  
For the Lord of gladness,  
Jesus, enters in.  
Those who love the Father,  
Though the storms may gather,  
Still have peace within.  
Yea, whate'er  
I here must bear,  
Thou art still my purest pleasure,  
Jesus, priceless treasure!

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**Sermon:** Listen to what the Lord God Almighty Says!

**Amos 7:7–15**

*Stand*

## The Apostles' Creed

**☩ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.**

## Prayer of the Church

**Offering:** Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

**LSB 655**

- 1 Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word;  
Curb those who by deceit or sword  
Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son  
And bring to naught all He has done.
- 2 Lord Jesus Christ, Your pow'r make known,  
For You are Lord of lords alone;  
Defend Your holy Church that we  
May sing Your praise eternally.
- 3 O Comforter of priceless worth,  
Send peace and unity on earth;  
Support us in our final strife  
And lead us out of death to life.

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*Stand*

## Offertory

LSB 159

**☩ What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?  
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,  
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

## 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.

*Stand*

## Closing Collect

### Benediction

LSB 166

**P** 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.  
**C** Amen.

- 1 Lord, Thee I love with all my heart;  
I pray Thee, ne'er from me depart,  
    With tender mercy cheer me.  
Earth has no pleasure I would share.  
Yea, heav'n itself were void and bare  
    If Thou, Lord, wert not near me.  
And should my heart for sorrow break,  
My trust in Thee can nothing shake.  
    Thou art the portion I have sought;  
    Thy precious blood my soul has bought.  
Lord Jesus Christ, my God and Lord, my God and Lord,  
Forsake me not! I trust Thy Word.
- 2 Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich bounty gave  
My body, soul, and all I have  
    In this poor life of labor.  
Lord, grant that I in ev'ry place  
May glorify Thy lavish grace  
    And help and serve my neighbor.  
Let no false doctrine me beguile;  
Let Satan not my soul defile.  
    Give strength and patience unto me  
    To bear my cross and follow Thee.  
Lord Jesus Christ, my God and Lord, my God and Lord,  
In death Thy comfort still afford.
- 3 Lord, let at last Thine angels come,  
To Abr'ham's bosom bear me home,  
    That I may die unfearing;  
And in its narrow chamber keep  
My body safe in peaceful sleep  
    Until Thy reappearing.  
And then from death awaken me,  
That these mine eyes with joy may see,  
    O Son of God, Thy glorious face,  
    My Savior and my fount of grace.  
Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend, my prayer attend,  
And I will praise Thee without end.

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