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Divine Service IV

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VISITORS WELCOME! A special welcome to any visitors and guests who are with us today. Please introduce yourself to the pastor after the service, and we pray that the hearing and receiving of the Word of God in our midst will be filled with joy and thanksgiving!

HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated every Sunday and on Feast Days. Visiting communicant members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to commune today. All other visitors are asked to speak with the pastor before coming to the altar. If there is time before the service, introduce yourself to the pastor or an elder. Other visitors are invited to use this time for prayer. If you desire information about attending communion, you are encouraged to visit with the pastor after the service today.

PRAYERS OF PREPARATION are found in the cover of the hymnals. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer. **Please turn off and put away all electronic devices during the service.**

+SERVING TODAY+

Organist: Monica Scholz

Altar Guild: Pam Del Frate & Tamara Weathersby

Altar Flowers: Today's altar flowers are provided by Bob & Lauri Trapp in honor of their wedding anniversary.

Invocation

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

+CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION+

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

+SERVICE OF THE WORD+

Introit

Ps. 48:1a, 3, 11, 14; antiphon: Ps. 48:9–10

We have thought on Your steadfast love, O God,
in the midst of Your temple.

As Your name, O God, so Your praise reaches to the ends of the
earth.

Your right hand is filled with righteousness.

**Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised
in the city of our God, His holy mountain.**

Within her citadels

God has made Himself known as a fortress.

Let Mount Zion be glad!

Let the daughters of Judah rejoice because of Your judgments!

This is God, our God forever and ever.

He will guide us forever.

**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.**

We have thought on Your steadfast love, O God,
in the midst of Your temple.

As Your name, O God, so Your praise reaches to the ends of the
earth.

Your right hand is filled with righteousness.

Kyrie

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Gloria in Excelsis

Salutation and Collect of the Day

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Grant to us, Lord, the Spirit to think and do always such things as are
right, that we, who cannot do anything that is good without You, may be
enabled by You to live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ, Your
Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one
God, now and forever.

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 23:16–29

¹⁶Thus says the LORD of hosts: “Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. ¹⁷They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, ‘It shall be well with you’; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, ‘No disaster shall come upon you.’”

¹⁸For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD to see and to hear His word, or who has paid attention to His word and listened?

¹⁹Behold, the storm of the LORD! Wrath has gone forth, a whirling tempest; it will burst upon the head of the wicked.

²⁰The anger of the LORD will not turn back until He has executed and accomplished the intents of His heart. In the latter days you will understand it clearly.

²¹“I did not send the prophets, yet they ran; I did not speak to them, yet they prophesied.

²²But if they had stood in My council, then they would have proclaimed My words to My people, and they would have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their deeds.

²³“Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God afar off?

²⁴Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD. ²⁵I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in My name, saying, ‘I have dreamed, I have dreamed!’ ²⁶How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, ²⁷who think to make My people forget My name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot My name for Baal? ²⁸Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has My word speak My word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD. ²⁹Is not My word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?”

**Be a rock of refuge for me,
a strong fortress to save me!
In You, O LORD, do I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame.**

Epistle*Acts 20:27–38*

²⁷[Paul said:] For I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. ²⁸Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which He obtained with His own blood. ²⁹I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; ³⁰and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. ³¹Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. ³²And now I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. ³³I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. ³⁴You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. ³⁵In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how He Himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

³⁶And when he had said these things, he knelt down and prayed with them all. ³⁷And there was much weeping on the part of all; they embraced Paul and kissed him, ³⁸being sorrowful most of all because of the word he had spoken, that they would not see his face again. And they accompanied him to the ship.

*Stand***Alleluia and Verse***p205***Holy Gospel***Matthew 7:15–23*

¹⁵[Jesus said:] "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. ¹⁶You will recognize them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? ¹⁷So, every healthy tree bears good fruit, but the diseased tree bears bad fruit. ¹⁸A healthy tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a diseased tree bear good fruit. ¹⁹Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ²⁰Thus you will recognize them by their fruits.

²¹"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom

of heaven, but the one who does the will of My Father who is in heaven.
²²On that day many will say to Me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in
Your name, and cast out demons in Your name, and do many mighty
works in Your name?’ ²³And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew
you; depart from Me, you workers of lawlessness.’”

Nicene Creed p206
Sit

In God, My Faithful God LSB 745

Sermon

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Offering may be left at either of the doors to the sanctuary

+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+

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Sanctus

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Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

Agnus Dei p210

Sit

Distribution

Hear Us, Father, When We Pray LSB 773

Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray LSB 623

Lamb of God LSB 550

Stand

Nunc Dimittis p211

Post-Communion Collect p212

Benedicamus and Benediction

Sent Forth by God's Blessing LSB 643

+VDM A+

Verbum Domini Manet in Aeternum
The Word of the Lord endures forever

+PRAYER LIST+

- ✘ Those who serve in our armed forces: Austin Nehls, Kevin Boyd, Rev. Lynn Christensen, Rianon Padro, Sean Gleason, Dan Bruins, Rick Zuehls, and for veterans.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Thomas Kotenko (colleague of Jeff Zuehls), Ken Krause and Steve Matthews (friends of Anita Brothers), Alberta Helmke, Jonah Johnson (Casey Blair's cousin), Sean Esser (relative of John Winter), Harvey Schiefelbein (Cheryl Piel's father), David Kristopeit (Linda Polcin's brother-in-law), Christine (Sandra Babel's mother), Donna Primuth, Betty Boness, Justin & Josh (brothers of Gabby Nevius), and Mary Rusch.

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 2+

- ✘ **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** on Wednesdays is canceled until further notice.
- ✘ **BIBLE STUDY:** Please join us for a video Bible study after the service today. We will watch a video, then have a brief discussion. It is suitable for all ages.

+CONTRIBUTIONS+

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| Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly: | \$4,460 |
| Lord's Work Received 7/26-8/1: | 2,715 |
| Difference Received vs. Needed: | -1,745 |
| Difference Received vs. Needed YTD: | -947 |

ATTENDANCE 7/26: 65

Communed: 60

BIRTHDAYS

8/3 Nancy Hilliard
8/4 Mary Rusch
8/6 Paul Rusch

ANNIVERSARIES

8/4 Bob & Lauri Trapp (8 years)
8/8 Roger & Sara Lyngen (56 years)