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Divine Service III

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VISITORS WELCOME! A special welcome to any visitors and guests who are with us today. Please sign the guestbook near the front door and introduce yourself to the pastor after the service. 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+

Greeter: Liz Joslyn

Organist: Evone Hagerman

Altar Guild: Bonnie Griepentrog & Jane Gundlach

+HOLY BAPTISM+

Stand

Dearest Jesus, We Are Here

LSB 592 v. 1-3



1 Dear - est Je - sus, we are here, Glad - ly Your com -
2 Your com - mand is clear and plain, And we would o -
3 There - fore we have come to You, In our arms this



mand o - bey - ing; With this child we now draw near
bey it du - ly: "You must all be born a - gain,
in - fant bear - ing. Tru - ly here Your grace we view;



In re - sponse to Your own say - ing That to You it
Heart and life re - new - ing tru - ly, Born of wa - ter
May this child, Your mer - cy shar - ing, In Your arms be



shall be giv - en As a child and heir of heav - en.
and the Spir - it, And My king - dom thus in - her - it."
shield - ed ev - er, Yours on earth and Yours for - ev - er.

- P** Dearly beloved, Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." In the last chapter of Mark our Lord promises, "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." And the apostle Peter has written, "Baptism now saves you."

The Word of God also teaches that we are all conceived and born sinful and are under the power of the devil until Christ claims us as His own.

Therefore, depart, you unclean spirit, and make room for the Holy Spirit in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The pastor makes the sign of the holy cross upon the forehead and heart of the candidate while saying:

- P** Receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your ✠ forehead and upon your ✠ heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

- P** Let us pray.

O almighty and eternal God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we pray on

behalf of Your servant Colleen, who asks for the gift of Your Baptism and desires Your eternal grace through spiritual rebirth. Receive her, Lord, according to Your promise: “Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.” Now give Your blessing to her who asks and open the door to her who knocks, so that she may obtain the eternal blessing of this heavenly bath and receive the promised kingdom that You give; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, according to Your strict judgment You condemned the unbelieving world through the flood, yet according to Your great mercy You preserved believing Noah and his family, eight souls in all. You drowned hard-hearted Pharaoh and all his host in the Red Sea, yet led Your people Israel through the water on dry ground, foreshadowing this washing of Your Holy Baptism. Through the Baptism in the Jordan of Your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood and a lavish washing away of sin.

We pray that You would behold Colleen according to Your boundless mercy and bless her with true faith by the Holy Spirit, that through this saving flood all sin in her which has been inherited from Adam and which she herself has committed since, would be drowned and die. Grant that she be kept safe and secure in the holy ark of the Christian Church, being separated from the multitude of unbelievers and serving Your name at all times with a fervent spirit and a joyful hope, so that, with all believers in Your promise, she would be declared worthy of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P Hear the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

They brought young children to [Jesus] that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, “Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it.” And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them.

The pastor places his hands on the head of the candidate.

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.**

Dearest Jesus, We Are Here

LSB 592 v. 4–5

- 4 Gracious Head, Your member own;
 Shepherd, take Your lamb and feed it;
 Prince of Peace, make here Your throne;
 Way of Life, to heaven lead it;
 Precious Vine, let nothing sever
 From Your side this branch forever.
- 5 Now into Your heart we pour
 Prayers that from our hearts proceeded.
 Our petitions heav'nward soar;
 May our hearts' desires be heeded!
 Write the name we now have given;
 Write it in the book of heaven!

P The Lord preserve your coming in and your going out from this time forth and even ⚔ forevermore.

C **Amen.**

Sit

P Colleen, do you renounce the devil?

R *Yes, I renounce him.*

P Do you renounce all his works?

R *Yes, I renounce them.*

P Do you renounce all his ways?

R *Yes, I renounce them.*

P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?

R *Yes, I believe.*

P Do you believe 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?

R *Yes, I believe.*

P Do you 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?

R *Yes, I believe.*

P Colleen, do you desire to be baptized?

R *Yes, I do.*

The pastor pours water three times on the head of each candidate while saying:

P Colleen, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

A white garment may be placed on the newly baptized.

The pastor places his hands on the head of the newly baptized while saying:

P The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life † everlasting.

C **Amen.**

P Peace † be with you.

C **Amen.**

All return to their places.

Stand

+SERVICE OF THE WORD+

Introit

Ps. 74:1-2, 19b, 21b; antiphon: Ps. 74:20a, 21a, 22a, 23a



Have regard for the covenant, | [O Lord];*

let not the downtrodden turn | back in shame.

Arise, O God, de- | fend Your cause;*

do not forget the clamor | of Your foes.

O God, why do You cast us off for- | ever?*

Why does Your anger smoke against the sheep of Your | pasture?

Remember Your congre- | gation,*

which You have pur- | chased of old,

which You have redeemed to be the tribe of Your | heritage!*

Remember Mount Zion, where | You have dwelt.

Do not forget the life of Your poor for- | ever.*

Let the poor and needy | praise Your name.

**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.**

Have regard for the covenant, | [O Lord];*
let not the downtrodden turn | back in shame.
Arise, O God, de- | fend Your cause;*
do not forget the clamor | of Your foes.

Kyrie

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Gloria in Excelsis

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

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Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and charity; and that we may obtain what You have promised, make us love what You have commanded; 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

2 Chronicles 28:8–15

⁸The men of Israel took captive 200,000 of their relatives, women, sons, and daughters. They also took much spoil from them and brought the spoil to Samaria. ⁹But a prophet of the LORD was there, whose name was Oded, and he went out to meet the army that came to Samaria and said to them, “Behold, because the LORD, the God of your fathers, was angry with Judah, He gave them into your hand, but you have killed them in a rage that has reached up to heaven. ¹⁰And now you intend to subjugate the people of Judah and Jerusalem, male and female, as your slaves. Have you not sins of your own against the LORD your God? ¹¹Now hear me, and send back the captives from your relatives whom you have taken, for the fierce wrath of the LORD is upon you.”

¹²Certain chiefs also of the men of Ephraim, Azariah the son of Johanan, Berechiah the son of Meshillemoth, Jehizkiah the son of Shallum, and Amasa the son of Hadlai, stood up against those who were coming from the war ¹³and said to them, “You shall not bring the captives in here, for you propose to bring upon us guilt against the LORD in addition to our present sins and guilt. For our guilt is already great, and there is fierce wrath against Israel.” ¹⁴So the armed men left the captives and the spoil before the princes and all the assembly. ¹⁵And the men who have been mentioned by name rose and took the captives, and with the spoil they

clothed all who were naked among them. They clothed them, gave them sandals, provided them with food and drink, and anointed them, and carrying all the feeble among them on donkeys, they brought them to their kinsfolk at Jericho, the city of palm trees. Then they returned to Samaria.

Gradual

Ps. 77:14–15



You are the God who works | wonders;*
You have made known Your might among the | peoples.
You with Your arm redeemed Your | people,*
the children of Jacob and | Joseph.

Epistle

Galatians 3:15–22

¹⁵To give a human example, brothers: even with a man-made covenant, no one annuls it or adds to it once it has been ratified. ¹⁶Now the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring. It does not say, “And to offsprings,” referring to many, but referring to one, “And to your offspring,” who is Christ. ¹⁷This is what I mean: the law, which came 430 years afterward, does not annul a covenant previously ratified by God, so as to make the promise void. ¹⁸For if the inheritance comes by the law, it no longer comes by promise; but God gave it to Abraham by a promise.

¹⁹Why then the law? It was added because of transgressions, until the offspring should come to whom the promise had been made, and it was put in place through angels by an intermediary. ²⁰Now an intermediary implies more than one, but God is one.

²¹Is the law then contrary to the promises of God? Certainly not! For if a law had been given that could give life, then righteousness would indeed be by the law. ²²But the Scripture imprisoned everything under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.

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Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel

Luke 10:23–37

²³Turning to the disciples [Jesus] said privately, “Blessed are the eyes that see what you see! ²⁴For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.”

²⁵And behold, a lawyer stood up to put Him to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” ²⁶He said to him, “What is

written in the Law? How do you read it?” ²⁷And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.”

²⁸And He said to him, “You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.”

²⁹But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” ³⁰Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. ³⁴He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, ‘Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.’

³⁶Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?” ³⁷He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” And Jesus said to him, “You go, and do likewise.”

Nicene Creed

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Sit

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

LSB 683

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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+VDMA+

**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), David Kristopeit (Linda Polcin's brother-in-law), Christine (Sandra Babel's mother), Donna Primuth, Betty Boness, Justin & Josh (brothers of Gabby Nevius), and Dick Mikkelsen (cousin of Anita Brothers).

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 6+

- ✘ **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:** If you would like to be involved with helping to clean up Kenosha in the aftermath of the riots, an organization called 1HOPE is coordinating volunteers on behalf of the community. Please see this week's email newsletter for a link to their registration page to sign up.
- ✘ **FOOD BANK:** Please donate your canned goods and non-perishable items to the Shalom Center through our donation box in the Fellowship Hall. Donations are delivered to Shalom by the end of every month. Any questions, please contact Donna Boyd.

+CONTRIBUTIONS+

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$4,460
Lord's Work Received 8/30-9/5:	4,673
Difference Received vs. Needed:	+213
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	-1,286

ATTENDANCE 8/30: 86 Communed: 77

BIRTHDAYS

9/7 Diana Dissen
9/8 Cara Zietz
9/9 Betty Boness
Vincent Hernandez
9/10 Katy Billings

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

9/7 Brent Jiter
9/8 Erin Mansfield

ANNIVERSARIES

9/9 Jacob & Liz Joslyn (2 years)
9/12 Jerry & Geri Tobalsky (50 years)
Scott & Kate Tobalsky (22 years)