St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

2025 AD



Confession and Absolution

Stand

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

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → 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.

Kneel/Stand

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

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- 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 & 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

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit Psalm 119:33-40

³³Teach me, O Lord, the way of your | statutes;* and I will keep it | to the end.

³⁴Give me understanding, that I may | keep your law* and observe it with my | whole heart.

³⁵Lead me in the path of your com- | mandments,* for I de- | light in it.

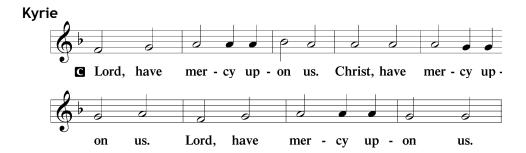
³⁶Incline my heart to your testi- | monies,* and not to | selfish gain!

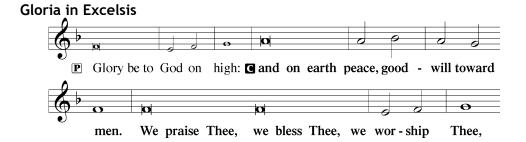
³⁷Turn my eyes from looking at | worthless things;* and give me life | in your ways.

³⁸Confirm to your servant your | promise,* that you | may be feared.

³⁹Turn away the reproach | that I dread,* for your just de- | crees are good.

⁴⁰Behold, I long for your | precepts;* in your righteousness | give me life!











P Let us pray... one God, now and forever.



Sit

First Reading

After the reading is said:

A This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Epistle

After the reading is said:

A This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia, Verse (Kantor), Alleluia

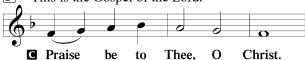


Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 14th chapter.



P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

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.

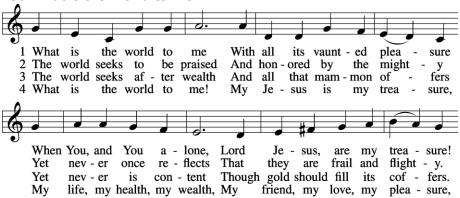
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

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 + of the world to come. Amen.

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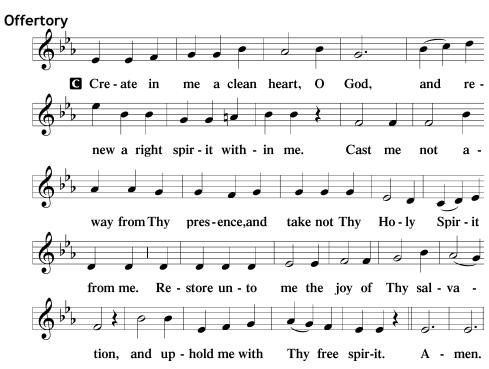
730 What Is the World to Me





Sermon

Stand



Offering (Please give online following the service)

Prayer of the Church

After each petition is said:

P Lord, in Your Mercy

C Hear our prayer.

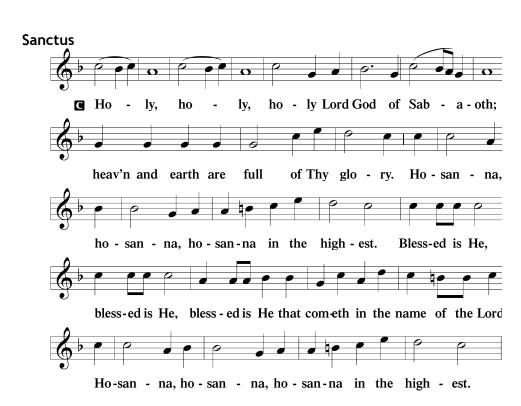
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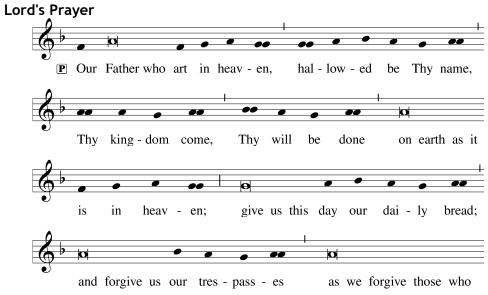




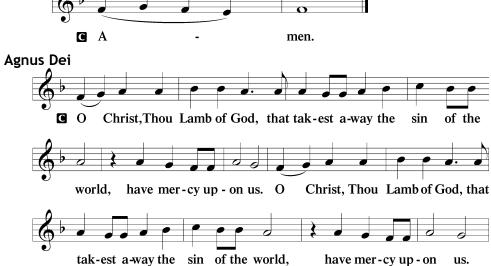
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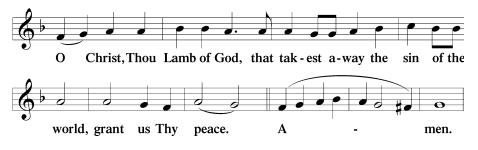
It is truly meet, right, and salutary... ... evermore praising You and saying:









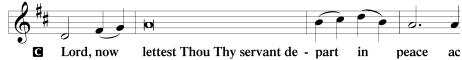


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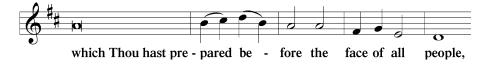
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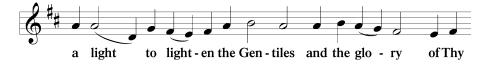
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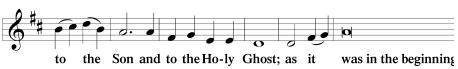






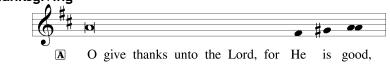








Thanksgiving



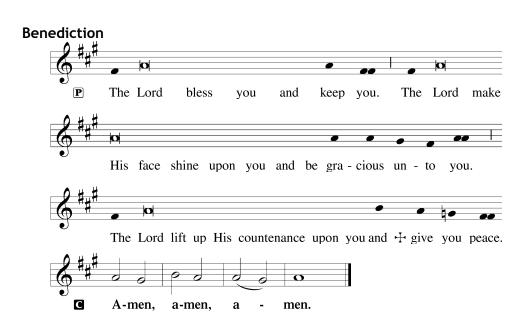


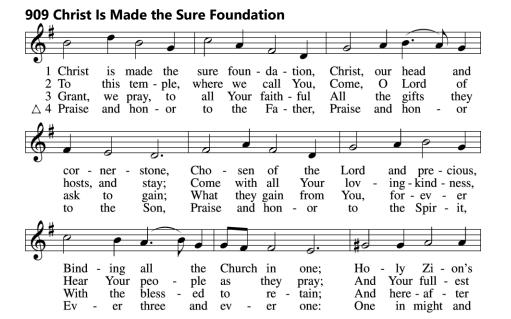
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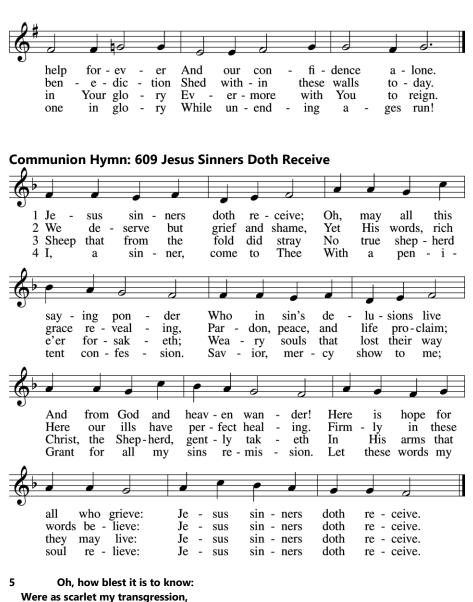


Salutation and Benedicamus



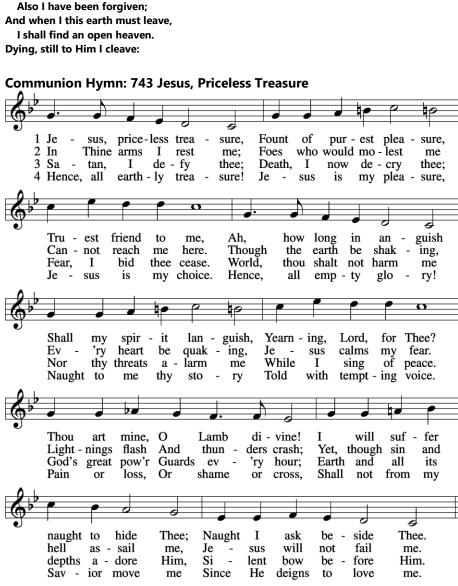






5 Oh, how blest it is to know:
Were as scarlet my transgression,
It shall be as white as snow
By Thy blood and bitter passion;
For these words I now believe:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

- 6 Now my conscience is at peace; From the Law I stand acquitted. Christ hath purchased my release And my ev'ry sin remitted. Naught remains my soul to grieve: Jesus sinners doth receive.
- 7 Jesus sinners doth receive; Also I have been forgiven; I shall find an open heaven.



- 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.
- 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!