

## 402 The Only Son from Heaven



1 The on - ly Son from heav - en, Fore - told by an - cient seers,  
 2 O time of God ap - point - ed, O bright and ho - ly morn!  
 3 O Lord, our hearts a - wak - en To know and love You more,  
 △ 4 O Fa - ther, here be - fore You With God the Ho - ly Ghost



By God the Fa - ther giv - en, In hu - man form ap - pears.  
 He comes, the king a - noint - ed, The Christ, the vir - gin - born,  
 In faith to stand un - shak - en, In spir - it to a - dore,  
 And Je - sus, we a - dore You, O pride of an - gel host:



No sphere His light con - fin - ing, No star so bright - ly  
 Grim death to van - quish for us, To o - pen heav'n be -  
 That we, through this world mov - ing, Each glimpse of heav - en  
 Be - fore You mor - tals low - ly Cry, "Ho - ly, ho - ly,



shin - ing As He, our Morn - ing Star.  
 fore us And bring us life a - gain.  
 prov - ing, May reap its full - ness there.  
 ho - ly, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty!"

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## Confession and Absolution

*Stand*

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

- In the name of the Father and of the **✚** Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **Amen.**
- 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.
- Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **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,

**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 & 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 89:1, 26–28; antiphon: Liturgical Text; Psalm 89:20*

**P:** Behold the Lord, the ruler, has come,\*  
and the kingdom and the power and the glory are in his hand.  
I have found David, my servant;\*  
with my holy oil I have anointed him.

**K:** I will sing of the steadfast love of the Lord, forever;\*  
with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.  
He shall cry to me, “You are my Father,\*  
my God, and the Rock of my salvation.”

**C:** And I will make him the firstborn,\*  
the highest of the kings of the earth.  
My steadfast love I will keep for him forever,\*  
and my covenant will stand firm for him.

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.

**P:** *Antiphon*

## Kyrie

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

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spir - it.

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

**C** A - men.

*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

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

## Holy Gospel

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 23rd chapter.

Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

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

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 **†** of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

## 406 To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord



1 To Jor - dan came the Christ, our Lord, To do His  
 2 O hear and mark the mes - sage well, For God Him -  
 3 These truths on Jor - dan's banks were shown By might - y  
 4 There stood the Son of God in love, His grace to



Fa - ther's plea - sure; Bap - tized by John, the Fa - ther's Word  
 self has spo - ken. Let faith, not doubt, a - mong us dwell  
 word and won - der. The Fa - ther's voice from heav'n came down,  
 us ex - tend - ing; The Ho - ly Spir - it like a dove



Was giv - en us to trea - sure. This heav'n - ly wash - ing  
 And so re - ceive this to - ken. Our Lord here with His  
 Which we do well to pon - der: "This man is My be -  
 Up - on the scene de - scend - ing; The tri - une God as -



now shall be A cleans - ing from trans - gres - sion  
 Word en - dows Pure wa - ter, free - ly flow - ing.  
 lov - ed Son, In whom My heart has plea - sure.  
 sur - ing us, With prom - is - es com - pel - ling,



And by His blood and ag - o - ny Re - lease from death's  
 God's Ho - ly Spir - it here a - vows Our kin - ship while  
 Him you must hear, and Him a - lone, And trust in full -  
 That in our Bap - tism He will thus A - mong us find



op - pres - sion. A new life now a - waits us.  
 be - stow - ing The Bap - tism of His bless - ing.  
 est mea - sure The word that He has spo - ken."  
 a dwell - ing To com - fort and sus - tain us.

### 5 To His disciples spoke the Lord,

"Go out to ev'ry nation,

And bring to them the living Word

And this My invitation:

Let ev'ryone abandon sin

And come in true contrition

To be baptized and thereby win  
Full pardon and remission  
And heav'nly bliss inherit."

6 But woe to those who cast aside  
This grace so freely given;  
They shall in sin and shame abide  
And to despair be driven.  
For born in sin, their works must fail,  
Their striving saves them never;  
Their pious acts do not avail,  
And they are lost forever,  
Eternal death their portion.

7 All that the mortal eye beholds  
Is water as we pour it.  
Before the eye of faith unfolds  
The pow'r of Jesus' merit.  
For here it sees the crimson flood  
To all our ills bring healing;  
The wonders of His precious blood  
The love of God revealing,  
Assuring His own pardon.

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## Sermon

*Stand*

## Offertory



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.

**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.

### Service of the Sacrament

**Preface**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

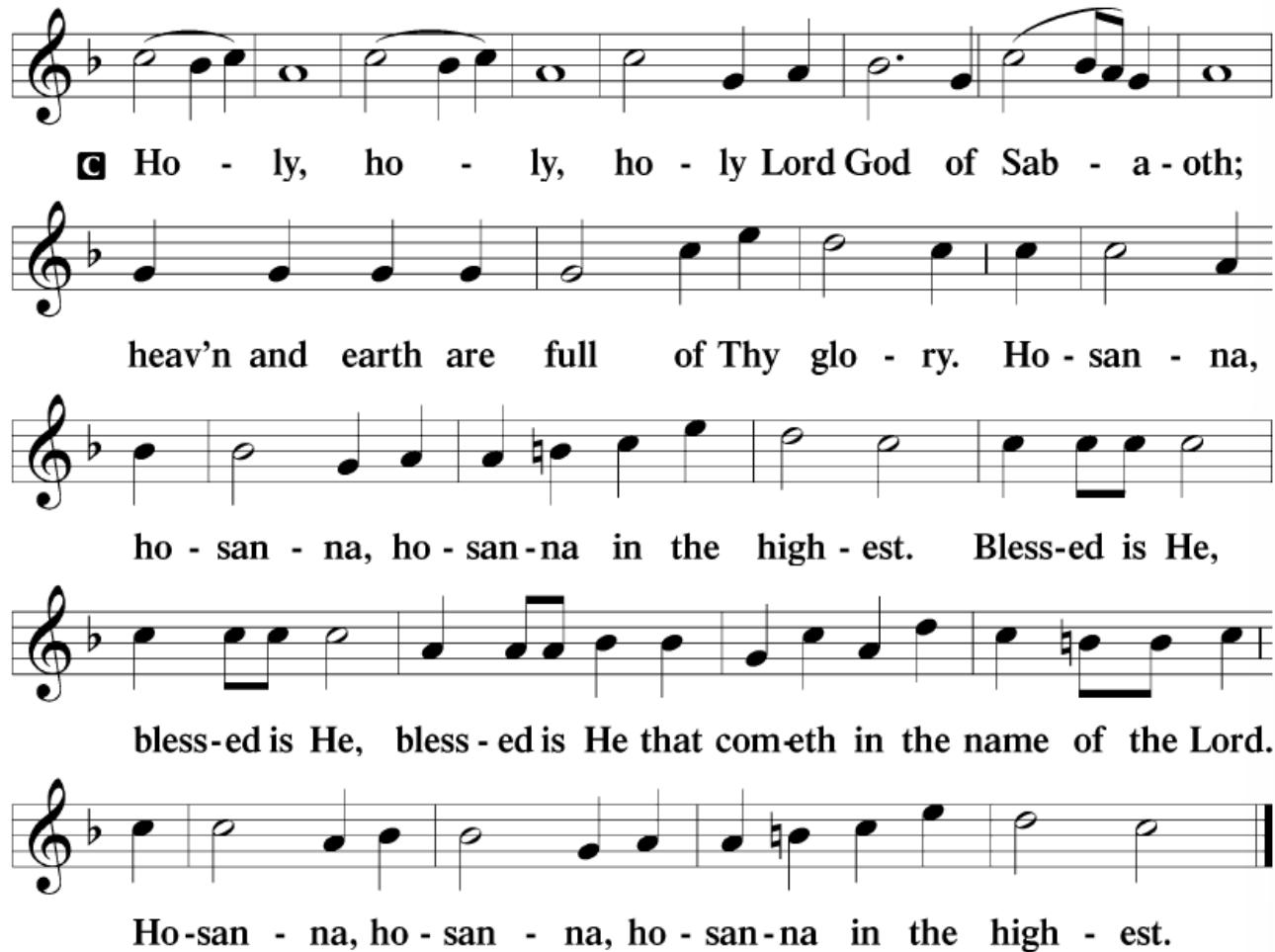
**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.

**C** It is meet and right so to do.

## Proper Preface

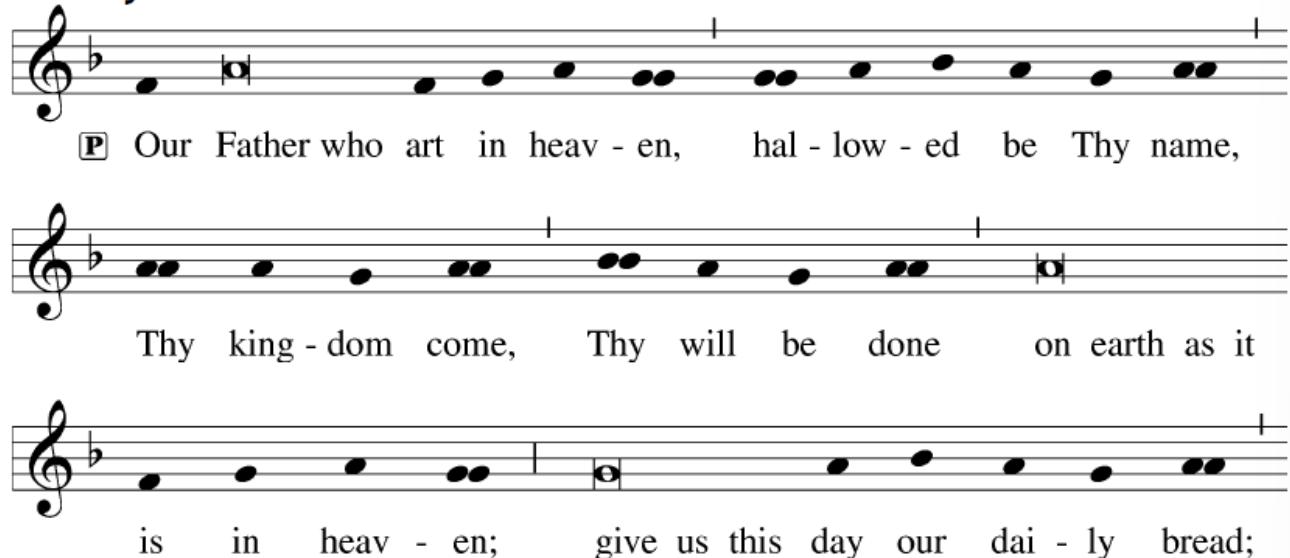
**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary...  
... evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,  
bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.  
Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

## Lord's Prayer



**P** Our Father who art in heav - en, hal - low - ed be Thy name,  
Thy king - dom come, Thy will be done on earth as it  
is in heav - en; give us this day our dai - ly 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.  
**C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the  
 glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. **A - men.**

### The Words of Our Lord

#### Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** **A** - men.

#### Agnus Dei

**C** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the  
 world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, tha

tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.  
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the  
 world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

*Sit*

## Distribution

**Distribution Hymns # 404, 600** (*see below*)

## Nunc Dimittis

C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-  
 cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
 which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
 a light to light-en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
 people Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and



to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning



is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

### Thanksgiving



**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



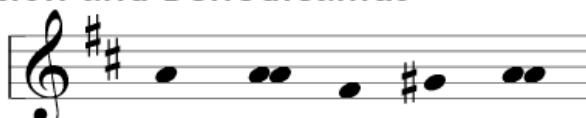
**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**A** Let us pray.  
... one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

### Salutation and Benedicamus



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.



**A** Bless we the Lord.

Music notation for 'Thanks be to God.' in G major, 4/4 time. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: C Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

Music notation for the first part of the Benediction in G major, 4/4 time. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make

Music notation for the second part of the Benediction in G major, 4/4 time. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

Music notation for the third part of the Benediction in G major, 4/4 time. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

Music notation for 'A-men.' in G major, 4/4 time. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: C A-men, a-men, a - men.

## Communion Hymn: 404 Jesus, Once with Sinners Numbered

1 Je - sus, once with sin - ners num - bered, Had no blem - ish  
2 John con - fessed Him as the Sav - ior— “Look, the sin - less  
3 This the bap - tism that our Sav - ior Great - ly longed to  
4 Je - sus, once with sin - ners num - bered, Full o - be - dience

of His own; In the wa - ters of the Jor - dan  
Lamb of God!” Yet he dared not loose the san - dals  
un - der - go; This the crim - son cleans - ing need - ed  
was Your path; You, by death, have con - se - crat - ed

His true worth and work were shown: Heav - en o - pened  
Of the One God's love had shod. Oh, how fair the  
So the world God's love might know; This the mis - sion  
Wa - ter in this sav - ing bath: Dy - ing to the

and the Spir - it There de - scend - ed like a  
feet of Je - sus, Bring - ing news of peace to  
of Mes - si - ah As He stepped from Jor - dan's  
sin of Ad - am, Ris - ing to a life of

dove, As the Fa - ther's voice re - sound - ed,  
us, Christ, the her - ald of sal - va - tion,  
stream, He, the cho - sen and a - noint - ed  
grace; We are count - ed with the righ - teous,

“Hear My Son, the One I love.”  
Preach - ing mer - cy from the cross:  
Son of God, sent to re - deem.  
O - ver us the cross You trace.

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## Communion Hymn: 600 Mark How the Lamb of God's Self-Offering

1 Mark how the Lamb of God's self - of - f'ring Our hu - man  
2 From this as - sur - ance of God's fa - vor Je - sus goes  
3 Grant us, O God, the strength and cour - age To live the

sin - ful - ness takes on In the birth - wa - ters of the  
to the wil - der - ness, There to en - dure a time of  
faith our lips de - clare; Bless us in our bap - tis - mal

Jor - dan As Je - sus is bap - tized by John.  
test - ing That read - ied Him to teach and bless.  
call - ing; Christ's roy - al priest-hood help us share.

Hear how the voice from heav - en thun - ders, "Lo,  
So we, by wa - ter and the Spir - it Bap -  
Turn us from ev - 'ry false al - le - giance, That

this is My be - lov - ed Son." See how in dove-like  
tized in - to Christ's min - is - try, Are of - ten led to  
we may trust in Christ a - lone: Raise up in us a

form the Spir - it De - scends on God's A - noint - ed One.  
paths of ser - vice Through maz - es of ad - ver - si - ty.  
cho - sen peo - ple Trans - formed by love to be Your own.

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