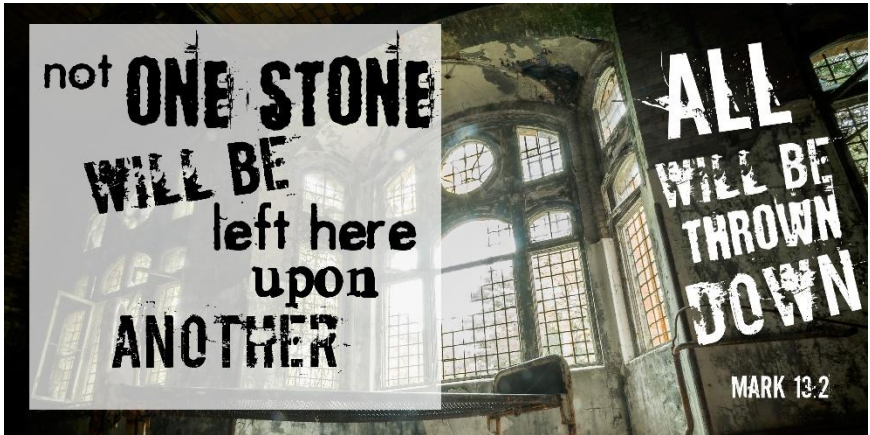


**Grow ... Go ... Gather**  
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# The Twenty-five Sunday after Pentecost

## The Order of Service (Matins)

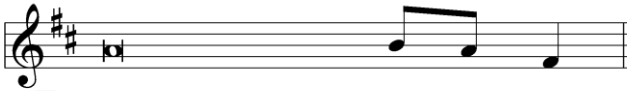
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### Common Versicles

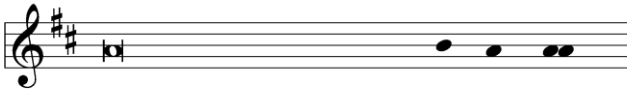
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**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.



**C** Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

# Antiphon (Common)

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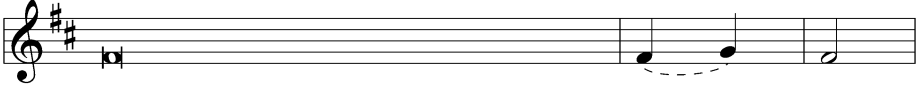
**L** Blessed be God, the Fa-ther, the Son, and the Ho-ly Spir-it.



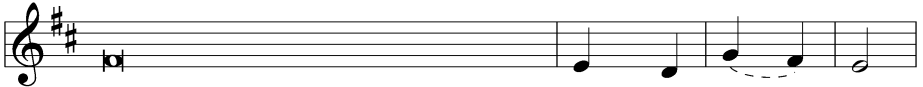
**C** O come, let us wor-ship Him.

# Venite

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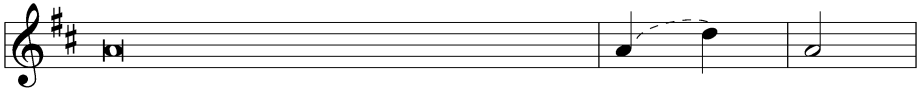


**C** 1 O come, let us sing . . . . . to the Lord,  
2 For the Lord is a . . . . . great God  
3 The sea is His, for He . . . . . made it,  
  
5 Glory be to the Father and . . . . . to the Son

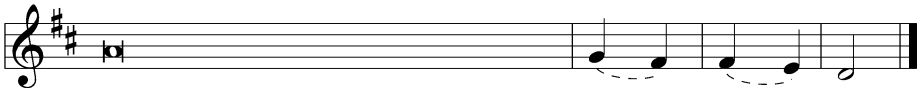


1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.  
2 and a great . . . . . king a - bove all gods.  
3 and His hand . . . . . formed the dry land.

5 and to the . . . . . Ho - ly Spir - it;



1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,  
2 The deep places of the earth are . . . . . in His hand;  
3 O come, let us worship and . . . . . bow down,  
4 For He . . . . . is our God,  
5 as it was in the be - gin - ning,



1 let us make a joyful noise to . . . . . Him with songs of praise.  
2 the strength of the hills is . . . . . His al - so.  
3 let us kneel before the . . . . . Lord, our mak - er.  
4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.  
5 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

# Antiphon (Common)

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**L** Blessed be God, the Fa-ther, the Son, and the Ho-ly Spir-it.



**G** O come, let us wor-ship Him.

*(Please be seated.)*

# A Hymn: LSB 515, "Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"



1 Re-joice, re-joice, be-liev-ers, And let your lights ap-pear;  
2 The watch-ers on the moun-tain Pro-claim the Bride-groom near;  
3 The saints, who here in pa-tience Their cross and suf-f'rings bore,  
4 Our hope and ex-pec-ta-tion, O Je-sus, now ap-pear;



The eve-ning is ad-vanc-ing, And dark-er night is near.  
Go forth as He ap-proach-es With al-le-lu-ias clear.  
Shall live and reign for-ev-er When sor-row is no more.  
A-rise, O Sun so longed for, O'er this be-night-ed sphere.



The Bride-groom is a-ris-ing And soon is draw-ing nigh.  
The mar-riage feast is wait-ing; The gates wide o-pen stand.  
A-round the throne of glo-ry The Lamb they shall be-hold;  
With hearts and hands up-lift-ed, We plead, O Lord, to see



Up, pray and watch and wres-tle; At mid-night comes the cry.  
A-rise, O heirs of glo-ry; The Bride-groom is at hand.  
In tri-umph cast be-fore Him Their di-a-dems of gold.  
The day of earth's re-demp-tion That sets Your peo-ple free!

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## The Scripture Readings

A: The Old Testament lesson is from Daniel 12:1-3.

<sup>1</sup>At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. <sup>2</sup>And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. <sup>3</sup>And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

A: O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

A: The Epistle Lesson is from Hebrews 10:11-25

<sup>11</sup>Every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. <sup>12</sup>But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, <sup>13</sup>waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet. <sup>14</sup>For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified. <sup>15</sup>And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying, <sup>16</sup>"This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds," <sup>17</sup>then he adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." <sup>18</sup>Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

<sup>19</sup>Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup>by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, <sup>21</sup>and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup>let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup>Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup>And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, <sup>25</sup>not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

A: O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*(Please rise.)*

P: The Gospel lesson for this Sunday is Mark 13:1-3.

<sup>1</sup>As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!" <sup>2</sup>And Jesus said to him, "Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down." <sup>3</sup>And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately, <sup>4</sup>"Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when all these things are about to be accomplished?" <sup>5</sup>And Jesus began to say to them, "See that no one leads you astray. <sup>6</sup>Many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. <sup>7</sup>And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take

place, but the end is not yet. <sup>8</sup>For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These are but the beginning of the birth pains. <sup>9</sup>But be on your guard. For they will deliver you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them. <sup>10</sup>And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations. <sup>11</sup>And when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit. <sup>12</sup>And brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death. <sup>13</sup>And you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved."

**Responsory**

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*Verse* *To Refrain*

- 1 Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
- 2 Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep— it.
- 3 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it.

*Refrain*

- Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.

*(Please be seated.)*

**A Hymn: LSB 742, "For Me to Live Is Jesus"**



1 For me to live is Je - sus, To die is gain for me;  
 2 For Christ, my Lord, my broth - er, I leave this world so dim  
 3 My woes are near - ly o - ver, Though long and dark the road;  
 4 Lord, when my pow'rs are fail - ing, My breath comes heav - i - ly,



So when my Sav - ior pleas - es, I meet death will - ing - ly.  
 And glad - ly seek an - oth - er, Where I shall be with Him.  
 My sin His mer - its cov - er, And I have peace with God.  
 And words are un - a - vail - ing, O hear my sighs to Thee.

5 In my last hour, O grant me  
 A slumber soft and still,  
 No doubts to vex or haunt me,  
 Safe anchored in Thy will;

6 And so to Thee still cleaving  
 When death shall come to me,  
 I fall asleep believing  
 And wake in heav'n with Thee!

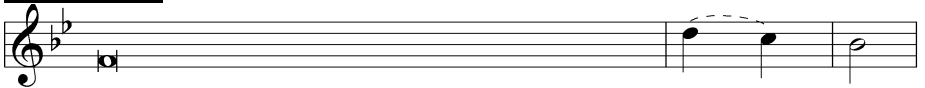
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**The Sermon**

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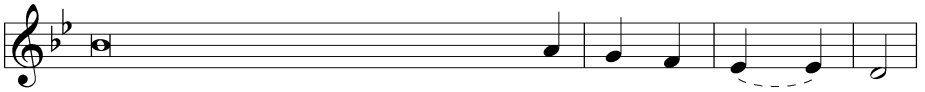
**Te Deum**

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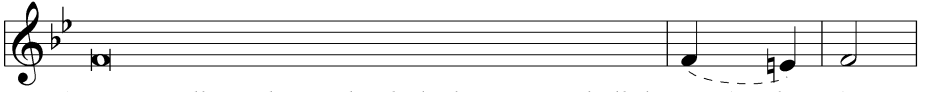


1 We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.  
 2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of . . . . . Sab - a - oth;  
 3 The noble army of martyrs . . . . . praise — You.

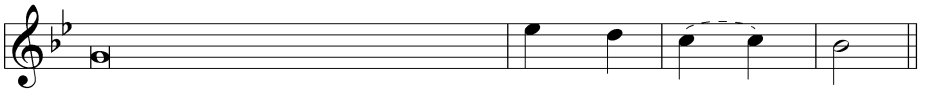




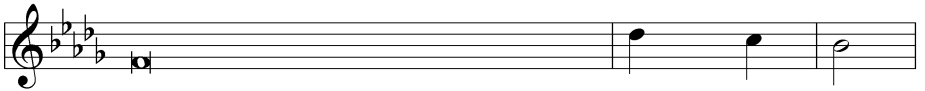
1 All the earth now worships You, the Fa-ther ev - er - last - ing.  
 2 heaven and earth are full of the majes - ty of Your glo - ry.  
 3 The holy Church throughout all the world does ac - knowl-edge You:



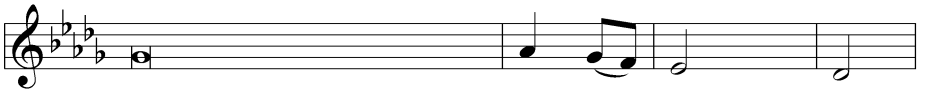
1 To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs there-in.  
 2 The glorious company of the apostles . . . . . praise You.  
 3 The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and on - ly Son;  
 4 You are the king of glory, . . . . . O Christ;



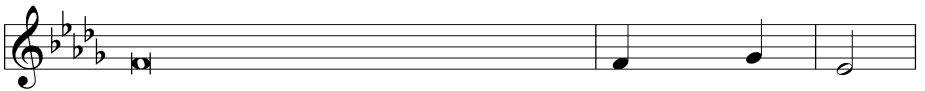
1 To You cherubim and seraphim con - tin - ual - ly do cry:  
 2 The goodly fellowship of the . . . . . proph-ets praise You.  
 3 also the Holy . . . . . Ghost, the Com - fort - er.  
 4 You are the everlasting Son . . . . . of the Fa - ther.



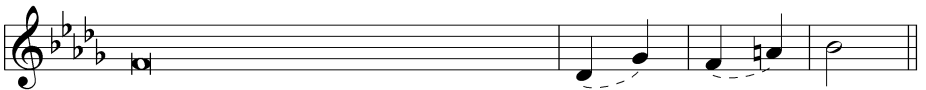
5 When You took upon Yourself to de - liv - er man,  
 6 You sit at the right . . . . . hand of God



5 You humbled Yourself to be born of a vir - gin.  
 6 in the glory . . . . . of the Fa - ther.



5 When You had overcome the . . . . . sharpness of death,  
 6 We believe that . . . . . You will come



5 You opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.  
 6 to . . . . . be our judge.





May all our lamps be burn - ing With oil e - nough and more  
 The pa - tri - archs shall meet us, The proph - ets' ho - ly band;  
 From sick - ness, pain, and sad - ness, From trou - bles, cares, and fears,  
 While an - gel hosts are rais - ing With saints from great to least



That we, with Him re - turn - ing, May find an o - pen door!  
 A - pos - tles, mar - tyrs greet us In that ce - les - tial land.  
 And grant us heav'n - ly glad - ness And wipe a - way our tears.  
 A might - y hymn for prais - ing The Giv - er of the feast.

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## Prayer

*Kneel (as you are able)*

### Kyrie

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**C** Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

### 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.**

## **The Prayers of the Church**

### **Collect for Grace**

- L** O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.**

*(Please stand.)*

### **Benedicamus**

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- L** Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.**

### **Benediction**

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- P** The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C Amen.**

# A Closing Hymn: LSB 924, "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"



1 Lord, dis - miss us with Your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with  
 2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For Your Gos - pel's  
 3 Sav - ior, when Your love shall call us From our strug - gling



joy and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,  
 joy - ful sound. May the fruits of Your sal - va - tion  
 pil - grim way, Let not fear of death ap - pall us,



Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us;  
 In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,  
 Glad Your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,



O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.  
 ev - er faith - ful To Your truth may we be found.  
 may we ev - er Reign with You in end - less day.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Events of the Week: November 14-21

<b>Sunday</b>	11:00 a.m. Bible study
<b>Monday</b>	6:30 p.m. Worship with Communion
<b>Tuesday</b>	3:45 p.m. Confirmation 6:00 p.m. ISJ Board meeting 7:30 p.m. Zoom Bible study
<b>Wed.</b>	10:00 a.m. Bible Study w/ Darrell <b>Noon:</b> Devotional Boost w/ Pastor on FB
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b> Bells <b>7:15 p.m.</b> Adult Choir
<b>Friday</b>	Pastor's Day off
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> Gizmo Devotions on FB <b>9:30 a.m.</b> WORSHIP <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Bible Study in-person

### FINANCIAL DISCIPLESHIP: November 7, 2021

General Fund	\$9,055.00
Future Building Expansion	215.00
Study Guides	13.00
Plate Collections	546.00
Tessaro Ministry	<u>25.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$9,854.00</b>

**Guests—Welcome to our Divine Service!** We are pleased that you are with us. If we can assist you in any way with questions about our confession of faith, spiritual struggles, understanding our liturgical service, or any other need, please let us know. It is our prayer that the Gospel of Jesus Christ will strengthen and comfort you. Before you leave this morning, please introduce yourself to Pastor Schaeffer. He welcomes the opportunity to visit with you.

**Voter's Meeting:** Sunday, December 5 following the service. Among several things we will be discussing will be St. James' 2022 Mission and Ministry Budget. This meeting will NOT be made available virtually.

**Thanksgiving Eve Service:** We will be gathering on Wednesday, November 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. for our Thanksgiving Eve worship service. Please join us as you thank God for His bountiful gifts.

**"A Culture of Victimhood and Social Justice."**

Pastor Schaeffer continues a study of Christians in a Woke World. All are welcome to attend either on Sunday mornings (following worship) or on Tuesday evenings on Zoom.

**Serving the Lord in our Worship Service Today**

**Organist:** Beth McKay

**Ushers:** Nate, Kim, Hayden, and Heath Urbanski

**Lector:** Carol Bifulco

**Deacon:** Bryan Ensing

**Officiant/Preacher:** Pastor Glenn Schaeffer

**Serving Next Sunday (November 21, 2021)**

**Ushers:** Ben and Ashley, Grace and Orlin

**Lector:** Charlie Kirt

**Deacons:** Craig and Bryan

