



**And Samuel said,  
“Speak, for your  
servant is listening.”**

**1 Samuel 3:10, NRSV**

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## PRESERVICE MUSIC

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OPENING HYMN**      "Holy Spirit, Light Divine"      LSB 496

### Verse 1

Holy Spirit, light divine,  
Shine upon this heart of mine;  
Chase the shades of night away,  
Turn the darkness into day.

### Verse 2

Let me see my Savior's face,  
Let me all His beauties trace;  
Show those glorious truths to me  
Which are only known to Thee.

### Verse 3

Holy Spirit, pow'r divine,  
Cleanse this guilty heart of mine;  
In Thy mercy pity me,  
From sin's bondage set me free.

### Verse 4

Holy Spirit, joy divine,  
Cheer this saddened  
heart of mine;  
Yield a sacred, settled peace,  
Let it grow and still increase.

### Verse 5

Holy Spirit, all divine,  
Dwell within this heart of mine;  
Cast down ev'ry idol throne,  
Reign supreme, and reign alone.

## CONFSSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: **Who made heaven and earth.**

P: If you, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: **But with you there is forgiveness: therefore you are feared.**

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and call upon him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as his people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking his grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P: Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for us and for his sake forgives us all our sins. It is my privilege as a called and ordained servant of Christ to announce God's grace to all of you. All of our sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

### **PSALM OF THE DAY**

*(Psalm 40)*

P: I have not hidden your deliverance within my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation.

**C: I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry.**

P: He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.

**C: He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the Lord.**

P: Blessed is the man who makes the Lord his trust, who does not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after a lie!

**C: You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you!**

P: I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than can be told.

**All: 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.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray; Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of your people and grant us your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

1 Samuel 3:1-10

<sup>1</sup> Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord in the presence of Eli. And the word of the Lord was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision. <sup>2</sup> At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. <sup>3</sup> The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. <sup>4</sup> Then the Lord called Samuel, and he said, "Here I am!" <sup>5</sup> and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. <sup>6</sup> And the Lord called again, "Samuel!" and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." <sup>7</sup> Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. <sup>8</sup> And the Lord called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. <sup>9</sup> Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant hears.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. <sup>10</sup> And the Lord came and stood, calling as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant hears."

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE READING**

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

<sup>12</sup> "All things are lawful for me," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. <sup>13</sup> "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food"—and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. <sup>14</sup> And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. <sup>15</sup> Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! <sup>16</sup> Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two will become one flesh." <sup>17</sup> But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. <sup>18</sup> Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. <sup>19</sup> Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, <sup>20</sup> for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

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All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written, that you may believe, that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 1st chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

John 1:43-51

<sup>43</sup> The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." <sup>44</sup> Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup> Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." <sup>46</sup> Nathanael said to him,

"Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." <sup>47</sup> Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" <sup>48</sup> Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." <sup>49</sup> Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" <sup>50</sup> Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." <sup>51</sup> And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## NICENE CREED

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## HYMN OF THE DAY "Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens" LSB 589

### Verse 1

Speak, O Lord, Your servant listens,  
Let Your Word to me come near;  
Newborn life and spirit give me,  
Let each promise still my fear.  
Death's dread pow'r, its inward strife,  
Wars against Your Word of life;  
Fill me, Lord, with love's strong fervor  
That I cling to You forever!

### Verse 2

Oh, what blessing to be near You  
And to listen to Your voice;  
Let me ever love and hear You,  
Let Your Word be now my choice!

Many hardened sinners, Lord,  
Flee in terror at Your Word;  
But to all who feel sin's burden  
You give words of peace and pardon.

### **Verse 3**

Lord, Your words are waters living  
When my thirsting spirit pleads.  
Lord, Your words are bread life-giving;  
On Your words my spirit feeds.  
Lord, Your words will be my light  
through death's cold and dreary night;  
Yes, they are my sword prevailing  
And my cup of joy unfailing!

### **Verse 4**

As I pray, dear Jesus, hear me;  
Let Your words in me take root.  
May Your Spirit e'er be near me  
That I bear abundant fruit.  
May I daily sing Your praise,  
From my heart glad anthems raise,  
Till my highest praise is given  
In the endless joy of heaven.

## **MESSAGE**

## **PRAYERS**

### **PREFACE and SANCTUS**

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: **And also with you.**
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P: It is truly good, right and salutary that ... evermore praising you and singing:

**All (Sung):     Holy, holy, holy Lord  
                  God of pow'r and might:  
                  Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
                  Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.  
                  Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
                  Hosanna in the highest.**

### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

P: Blessed are you Lord of heaven and earth, for you have had mercy on those whom you created and sent your only begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin. We beg you to forgive, renew and strengthen us with your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat his body and drink his blood as he bids us do in his own testament. To you alone, O Father, be all glory and honor and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

### **THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

#### **PAX DOMINI (Spoken)**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **Amen.**

#### **AGNUS DEI**

*"Lamb of God"*

LSB 550

#### **Verse 1**

Your only Son, no sin to hide,  
But You have sent Him, from Your side  
    To walk upon this guilty sod,  
And to become the Lamb of God.

### **Refrain**

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God,  
I love the holy Lamb of God,  
O wash me in His precious blood,  
My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

### **Verse 2**

Your Gift of Love they crucified,  
They laughed and scorned him as he died:  
The humble King they named a fraud,  
And sacrificed the Lamb of God.

*Refrain*

### **Verse 3**

I was so lost, I should have died,  
But You have brought me to Your side  
To be led by Your staff and rod,  
And to be called a lamb of God.

*Refrain*

## **DISTRIBUTION**

### **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

P: Let us pray; we give thanks to you, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through this life-giving gift, and we ask you that of your mercy you would strengthen us through the same in faith toward you and in love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

### **BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION**

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you his peace.

C: Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN**     "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"     LSB 739

**Verse 1**

Precious Lord, take my hand,  
Lead me on, let me stand,  
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;  
Through the storm,  
through the night,  
Lead me on to the light:  
Take my hand, precious Lord,  
Lead me home.

**Verse 2**

When my way grows dear,  
Precious Lord, linger near,  
When my life is almost gone,  
Hear my cry, hear my call,  
Hold my hand lest I fall:  
Take my hand, precious Lord,  
Lead me home.

**Verse 3**

When the darkness appears  
And the night draws near,  
And the day is almost gone,  
At the river I stand,  
Guide my feet, hold my hand:  
Take my hand, precious Lord,  
Lead me home.

**POSTSERVICE MUSIC**

**+TO GOD ALONE BE GLORY+**

## Our Week With God

Sunday:	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	9:15 AM	Virtual Bible Study and Sunday School Posted
	<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>Worship</b>
Wednesday	6:30 PM	Confirmation Instruction
Sunday:	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	9:15 AM	Virtual Bible Study and Sunday School Posted
	<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>Worship</b>

## **Church Announcements for This Week!**

### **Worship With Us Each Week**

All are welcome to join us for worship each week. We are following the safety guidelines that are put out by the government and health officials to make sure all are as safe as they can be. If you are not comfortable joining us in person. We also live-stream our 8 AM worship service on our Facebook page and church website. We post these services to our YouTube channel shortly after the service is completed. We are also recording our services, so if you would like a digital copy on DVD or flash drive just let us know.

### **Financial Update**

Financially we have had some highs and some lows. Our spending has outpaced our offerings by approximately \$41,000. Our giving has been steady, but not quite up to where we usually are. Our expenses have stayed about the same. Even if no one is in the building we still have an electric bill, the lawn still needs to be mowed and our employees need to be paid. As bleak as this looks, we were fortunate enough to receive a Payroll Protection Loan for \$31,000. This brings our shortfall to right around \$10,000. We truly appreciate all the offerings that you send in. We ask that you continue to do so, or if

possible increase a little bit so we can end the year on a positive note. Remember you can give offerings in person at church on Sunday, drop them off at church, mail them to church, or give online through the link on our webpage. Thank you again for all your support.

### **New Scrip Fundraiser**

Thank you to all who purchased your Christmas Gift cards through the Scrip Program. With your help we raised well over \$500 that will go to close the operating shortfall that we are facing. The great news is that this fundraise is ongoing! You can buy gift cards through the program and the church will receive a portion of the proceeds. There are hundreds of gift cards available for purchase. If you know you are going to make a large purchase you can buy a gift card and use that to make your purchase and the church will receive a percentage back from the company. You can even do this with many grocery stores to purchase your food or even hotels and airline tickets. The cards are shipped either to the church, right to your house, or for some, you can get an e-gift card. Follow the instructions below to get started. Download the free Raiseright app, or go to [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com) use enrollment code 24L3EC4D75957.

### **Seeking Volunteer**

We are looking for somebody that is willing to help keep our church website and/or social media accounts up to date. This person would be responsible for posting, updating, and possibly redesigning what we have out on the internet for the public to see and receive information about our church. Please talk with Joe or Amy Tiedt if you are interested.

### **Year End Voters Meeting**

On Jaunary 31<sup>st</sup> after the 10:30 service in the sanctuary we will be having our year in review meeting. Each ministry area will highlight certain things that took place during 2020. Please plan on attending. We will also be live-streaming this meeting for those that would like to attend from home.

### **LWML NID Young Women & Young at Heart Winter Retreat**

While this past year has certainly been unprecedented, we can still come together as sisters in Christ as we've always done. Just going virtual this year! Join us on Zoom on Friday, Jan 15 at 7PM for a virtual PJ Party! Grab your jammies, a cup of cocoa & a candle and join in fellowship and a devotion. Then rejoin us on Saturday, Jan 16 at 9AM with a bible study and fellowship that will last till lunchtime. Join in when you can and stay as long as you like. Email [ywchairman@lwmlnid.org](mailto:ywchairman@lwmlnid.org) for the Zoom link. The theme for this year's retreat is "Always Changing, Always The Same" based off of the Hebrews 13:8 Bible verse.

### **Reminder to Designate Your Thrivent Choice Dollars**

Thrivent Financial members have until March 31 to direct their Choice Dollars. You can choose to direct them to different charities, and even our church! Don't let them expire, Designate your Choice Dollars today by logging on to your account from the Thrivent Website.

### **Sunday School Has Started Again!**

After a couple weeks break during Christmas, our online Sunday School classes have resumed! Our virtual classrooms are emailed out each week to parent's for the children to do at the safety of their home. Each lesson includes a Bible Story with skits and/or object lessons, music videos and other activities to enhance the lesson for the week. Please talk with Joe to make sure you are on the distribution list!

### **Youth Group Bible Study**

Youth from 7<sup>th</sup> grade through high school are welcome to join us each and every week for a special Bible Study. We are currently watching "Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe" and talking about all the Christian themes that are found in the movie. We meet in the sanctuary of the church. We ask all who join us to be masked and socially distant. Oh who are we kidding anybody who wants to join us for this Bible Study are welcome to join us!



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