

CALVARY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH DIVINE SERVICE FOR ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS



PRELUDE

"I Love the Holy Angels"

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

(sung by Parish Children)

I love the holy angels, So beautiful and bright; And though I cannot see them, They're with me day and night. They watch around my bedside, They see me at my play; They know my every action, They hear the words I say.

Among the flowers of heaven, That never die nor fade, And far more lovely music Than here on earth is made, Forever, ever happy, Together we shall be, For there our Lord and Savior Forever we shall see.

"Songs of Praise the Angels Sang"

Songs of praise the angels sang, Heaven with alleluias rang When creation was begun, When God spoke and it was done. Saints below, with heart and voice, Still in songs of praise rejoice, Learning here, by faith and love, Songs of praise to sing above.

+ CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION +

Stand

INVOCATION

P In the Name of the Father and of the

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

 \mathbf{C} Amen.

EXHORTATION & OPENING SENTENCES

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.

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,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Kneel. If you are unable to kneel, please remain standing.

CONFESSION OF SINS

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- [3] 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 and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.

ABSOLUTION

- 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 ⅓ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Stand

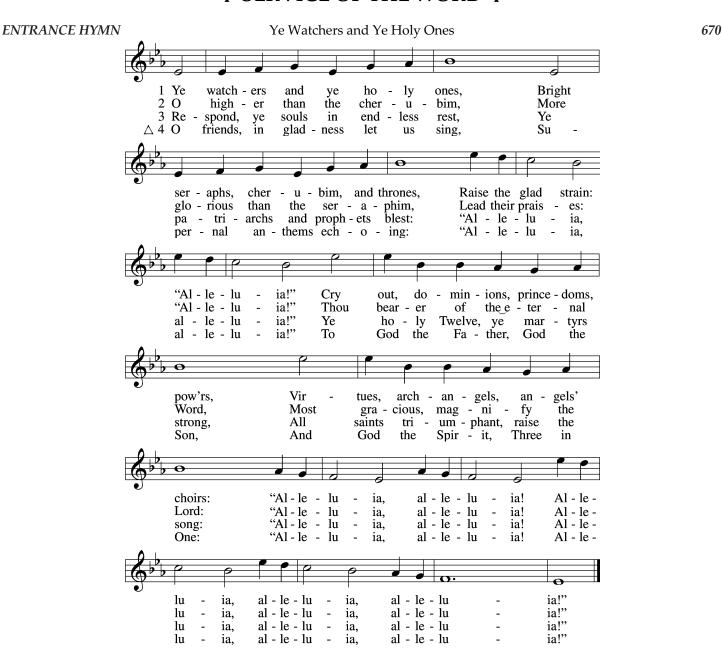
SHARING OF PEACE

- Reconciled to God through Christ Jesus our Lord, let us share His peace with one another.

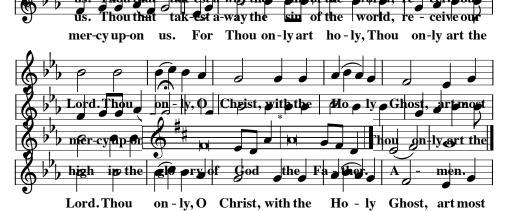
 The Peace of Christ be with you.
- C Amen.

Worshipers may share the peace of Christ with those around them. Face the processional crucifix as it enters the nave.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +







SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray. Everlasting God orderful order. Mercifully grant that, as Your holy angels always serve and worship You in heaven, so by Your appointment they may also help Ghost, art most and defend us here on earth; through lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, Amen. in the glo - ry of God Fa - ther.

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Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Daniel 10:10–14; 12:1–3

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And behold, a hard touched me and st tembling on my hands and knees. And he said to me, "O Daniel, man greatly loved, under said the words that I speak to you and stand upright, for now I have been sent to you." And when he had spoken this word to mail stond the trembling. There has said to mea "First not, Paniel, for from the first day that you set your heart to understand and humbled yourself before your God, your words have been heard, and I have come because of your words. The prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me twenty-one days, but Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I was left there with t_r ou understand what is to happen to your people in the latter days. For the vision is

"At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince wno nas cnarge or 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. 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. 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."

This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM OF THE DAY



(sung as indicated)

- ☐ He who dwells in the shelter of the \ Most High * will abide in the shadow of the Al- \ mighty.
- **□** I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my | fortress, * my God, in | whom I trust."
- \blacksquare For he will deliver you from the snare of the \mid fowler * and from the deadly \mid pestilence.
- He will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find | refuge; * his faithfulness is a shield and | buckler.
- I You will not fear the terror | of the night, * nor the arrow that | flies by day,
- on or the pestilence that stalks in | darkness, * nor the destruction that wastes at | noonday.
- A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your | right hand, * but it will not come | near you.
- You will only look | with your eyes * and see the recompense of the | wicked.
- Because you have made the LORD your | dwelling place - * the Most High, who is my | refuge -
- no evil shall be allowed to be- | fall you, * no plague come | near your tent.

☐ For he will command his angels con- | cerning you * to guard you in | all your ways.

On their hands they will | bear you

I You will tread on the lion and the | adder trample | underfoot.

"Because he holds fast to me in love, I will de- | liver him; * I will protect him, because he | knows my name.

☐ When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in | trouble; *I will rescue him and | honor him.

With long life I will sat- | isfy him * and show him my sal- | vation."

EPISTLE READING Revelation 12:7–12

Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, but he was defeated and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with his angels were thrown down with his angels were thrown down accuses them day and night to the world of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death. Therefore, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to you, O earth and sea, for the devil has come down to you in great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!"

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

VERSE OF THE DAY



Alleluia. They have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testi- | mony, * for they loved not their lives even unto death. Alle- | luia.

HOLY GOSPEL READING

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 18th chapter:



(sung as indicated)

At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea.

"Woe to the world for temptations to sin! For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes! And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire. And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire.

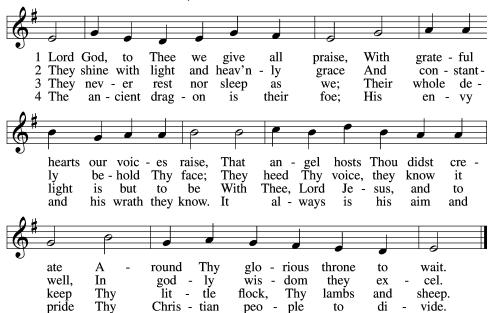
"See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven. For the Son of Man came to save the lost."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord God, to Thee We Give All Praise



- 5 As he of old deceived the world And into sin and death has hurled, So now he subtly lies in wait To undermine both Church and state.
- 6 A roaring lion, round he goes, No halt nor rest he ever knows; He seeks the Christians to devour And slay them by his dreadful pow'r.

- 7 But watchful is the angel band That follows Christ on ev'ry hand To guard His people where they go And break the counsel of the foe.
- 8 For this, now and in days to be, Our praise shall rise, O Lord, to Thee, Whom all the angel hosts adore With grateful songs forevermore.

SERMON

Stand

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■ 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.

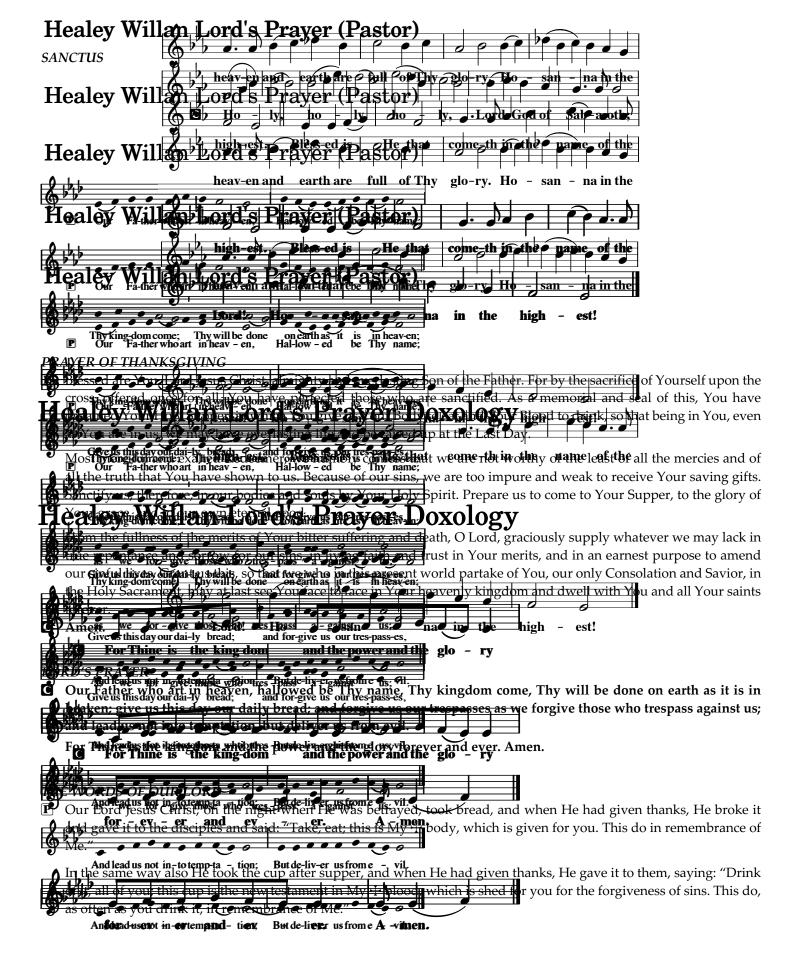
PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P ...let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

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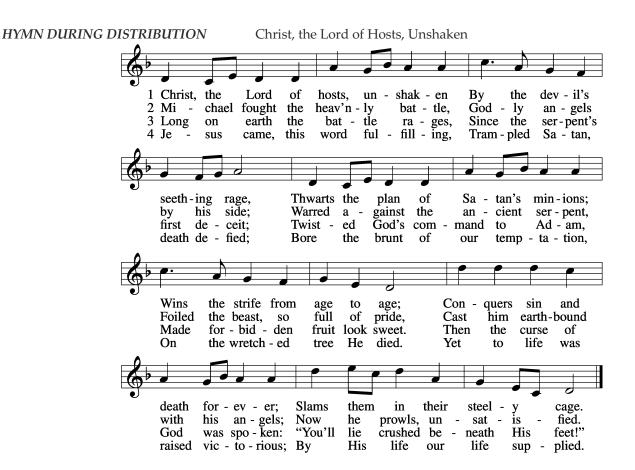






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5 Swift as lightning falls the tyrant
From his heav'nly perch on high,
As the word of Jesus' vict'ry
Floods the earth and fills the sky.
Wounded by a wound eternal
Now his judgment has drawn nigh!

Jesus, send Your angel legions
 When the foe would us enslave.

 Hold us fast when sin assaults us;
 Come, then, Lord, Your people save.

 Overthrow at last the dragon;
 Send him to his fiery grave.

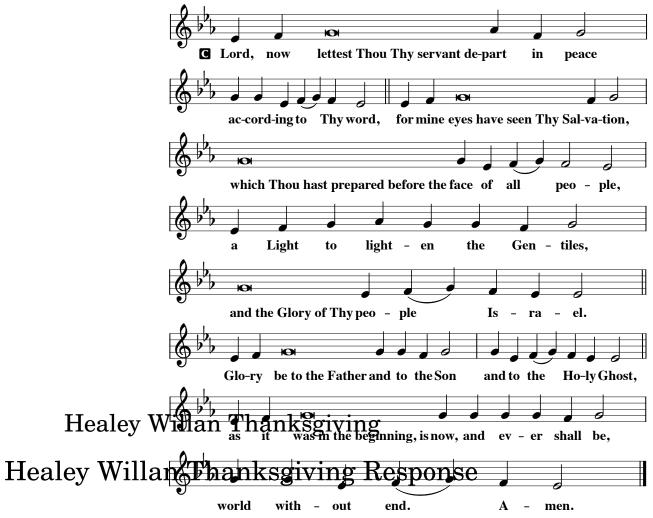
Stand after the Presiding Minister has placed the sacramental vessels in order.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

- The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

 → in peace.
- C Amen.

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P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that P O give thanks unto the Lord for He is good.

of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another;

through Iesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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SALUTATION & BENEDICAMUS

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

- C Amen.

Face the processional crucifix as it leaves the nave.

CLOSING HYMN



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POSTLUDE St. MICHAEL arr. Benjamin M. Culli

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