

Wednesday of Trinity VIII

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& Rainbow Preschool
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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH — MISSOURI SYNOD

Hymn of Invocation: 888 O Gladsome Light, O Grace

Order of Worship: p. 184

Introit

Psalm 48:1; antiphon: vv. 9–10



We have thought of Thy lovingkindness, | O God,*
in the midst of Thy | temple.

According to Thy name, O God, so is Thy praise unto the ends | of the earth;*
Thy right hand is full of | righteousness.

Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised in the city | of our God,*
on the mountain of His | holiness.



☐ Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

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Kyrie - Collect of the Day *p. 186ff*

☐ Grant to us, Lord, we beseech Thee, the Spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot be without Thee, may by Thee be able to live according to Thy will; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

First Lesson

Romans 5:8b-11a

Brethren: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. And not only that, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia



☐ Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Mark 9:38-48

At that time: John said to Jesus, “Teacher, we saw someone who does not follow us casting out demons in Your name, and we forbade him because he does not follow us.” But Jesus said, “Do not forbid him, for no one who works a miracle in My name can soon afterward speak evil of Me. For he who is not against us is on our side. For whoever gives you a cup of water to drink in My name, because you belong to Christ, assuredly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward. But whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to stumble, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed, rather than having two hands, to go to hell, into the fire that shall never be quenched—where ‘Their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.’ And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame, rather than having two feet, to be cast into hell, into the fire that shall never be quenched—where ‘Their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched.’ And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye, rather than having two eyes, to be cast into hell fire—where ‘Their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.’ ”

Apostles’ Creed

Hymn of the Day: 666 O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe

Sermon

Hymn: 895 Now Thank We All Our God

Offertory *p. 192 ff*

Prayer of the Church **[P]** let us pray to the Lord: **[C]** Lord, have mercy.

Preface - Agnus Dei *p. 194 ff*

Distribution Voluntary: 620 Jesus Comes Today with Healing

Nunc Dimittis - Benediction *p. 199 ff*

Hymn to Depart: 805 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Looking Forward to Sunday (Ninth Sunday after Trinity)

Lessons: Proverbs 16:1-9; I Corinthians 10:6b-13; Luke 16:1-9

Hymns: 746-730-726-617/618/619/536/743-898

Looking Forward to Next Wednesday

Lessons: Romans 6:16-18; Luke 16:10-15

Hymns: TLH 430-781-743-805

TLH=The Lutheran Hymnal © Concordia Publishing House 1941

We Welcome Our Guests Today!

We're glad you've joined us in worship today. Please fill out a Visitor Card (located in the pew rack) and hand it to an usher or place it in the offering plate. We also ask that you read *"Our Practice Concerning Holy Communion"* printed below. Please visit our **Welcome Center** in the narthex and worship with us again soon.

Our Practice Concerning Holy Communion

In keeping with the tradition of the early Church and the Lutheran Confessions, we celebrate the Lord's Supper every Lord's Day. Because Holy Communion is an expression of complete unity of faith and doctrine, only members of St. Peter or a sister Missouri Synod congregation may commune. This is not a judgment of the faith of others, but rather an indication of our obedience to the Lord's command that those who kneel together at His altar be in complete unity regarding what they believe and teach. Your respect for our practice concerning the Lord's Supper is appreciated. Please talk to Pastor if you have any questions.

If communing with individual cup, please hold your empty cup until Pastor has passed you with the chalice. And please remember to fill out a Communion card.

The Gathering of the Offerings

God finances His church. The gathering of the offerings is, therefore, not merely collecting money. It is a holy privilege for those who believe in Jesus Christ. This is our opportunity to gratefully respond to God's love and grace by returning a portion of the gifts He has given us. As God's children, we consider it a special honor to build and extend His kingdom through our offerings. St. Paul writes, "God loves a cheerful giver" (II Cor. 9:7b NKJV). Our visitors and guests are in no way compelled to contribute to this offering. We ask nothing of our guests except that they return here often to hear more about God's great love in Jesus Christ, our Lord. If anyone wishes to give electronically, you may scan this QR code to set up an account.



Small Children

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 19:14). Jesus wants your little ones present with Him during our worship service. And so do we.

When you're little, it's hard to sit without fidgeting or making some noise. And of course babies join us with their songs, too! We consider their small voices to be a part of our sacred music as they learn with us what it is to be a Christian. We encourage their presence throughout the entire service.

If you feel that your children are being too disruptive, please feel free to take them to the nursery that is located on the other side of the Conference Room. A closed-circuit television will bring the service to you. An usher will be happy to direct you.

"Repetitio est mater studiorum: Repetition is the mother of all learning." The more they're here, the easier it will get.

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