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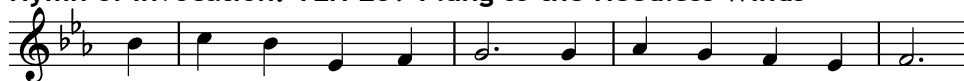
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Prelude

Hymn of Invocation: TLH 259 Flung to the Heedless Winds



1 Flung to the heed-less winds Or on the wa-ters cast,
2 The Fa-ther hath re-ceived Their lat-est liv-ing breath,



The mar-tyrs' ash-es, watched, Shall gath-ered be at last.
And vain is Sa-tan's boast Of vic-t'ry in their death.



And from that scat-tered dust, A-round us and a-broad,
Still, still, tho' dead, they speak, And, trum-pet-tongued, pro-claim



Shall spring a plen-teous seed Of wit-ness-es for God.
To man-y a wak-'ning land The one a-vail-ing Name. **A-men.**

Text: Martin Luther, 1523; tr. John A. Messenger, 1843

Tune: Charles J. Dale, 1904

Order of Worship: p. 184

Introit

Psalm 86:1; antiphon: vv. 3, 5



Be merciful unto | me, O LORD,*
for I cry unto Thee | daily.

For Thou, Lord, art good, and ready | to forgive: *
and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call up- | on Thee.

Bow down Thine ear, O LORD, | hear me; *
for I am poor and | needy.



G 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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For Thou, Lord, art good, and ready | to forgive: *
and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call up- | on Thee.

Kyrie - Salutation *p. 186 ff*

Collect of the Day

P O Lord, we pray Thee that Thy grace may always go before and follow after us, and make us continually intent upon good works; 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.**

Sit

Prophecy

I Kings 17:8-17-24

In those days: The son of the woman who owned the house became sick. And his sickness was so serious that there was no breath left in him. So she said to Elijah, “What have I to do with you, O man of God? Have you come to me to bring my sin to remembrance, and to kill my son?” And he said to her, “Give me your son.” So he took him out of her arms and carried him to the upper room where he was staying, and laid him on his own bed. Then he cried out to the Lord and said, “O Lord my God, have You also brought tragedy on the widow with whom I lodge, by killing her son?” And he stretched himself out on the child three times, and cried out to the Lord and said, “O Lord my God, I pray, let this child’s soul come back to him.” Then the Lord heard the voice of Elijah; and the soul of the child came back to him, and he revived. And Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper room into the house, and gave him to his mother. And Elijah said, “See, your son lives!” Then the woman said to Elijah, “Now by this I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the Lord in your mouth is the truth.”

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 102:15–16



The heathen shall fear the name | of the LORD,*
and all the kings of the earth Thy | glory.
When the LORD shall build up | Zion: *
He shall appear in His | glory.

Epistle

Ephesians 3:13–21

Brethren: I ask that you do not lose heart at my tribulations for you, which is your glory. For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height—to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse of the Day

Psalm 114:1-2

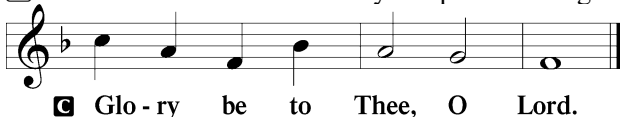


Alleluia. When Israel went out of Egypt, the house of Jacob from a people of strange | language;
Judah was His sanctuary, and Israel His do- | minion. **Alleluia.**

Holy Gospel

Luke 7:11-16

P The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.



At that time: Jesus went into a city called Nain; and many of His disciples went with Him, and a large crowd. And when He came near the gate of the city, behold, a dead man was being carried out, the only son of his mother; and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the city was with her. When the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." Then He came and touched the open coffin, and those who carried him stood still. And He said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." So he who was dead sat up and began to speak. And He presented him to his mother. Then fear came upon all, and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen up among us"; and, "God has visited His people."

P The Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

Sit

Hymn of the Day: 759 This Body in the Grave We Lay

Sermon

Offering Hymn: 758 The Will of God Is Always Best

Stand

Offertory *p. 192 ff*

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

Proper Preface

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross

and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus - Agnus Dei *p. 195 ff*

Sit

Distribution Hymn:

755 In the Very Midst of Life /

756 Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me /

774 Feed Thy Children, God Most Holy /

742 For Me to Live Is Jesus /

618 I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table /

619 Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior

Stand

Nunc Dimittis - Benediction *p. 199 ff*

Hymn to Depart: 672 Jerusalem the Golden

Postlude

Looking Forward to Wednesday

Lessons: Colossians 2:8-13; Matthew 19:16-21

Hymns: 645-581-880

Looking forward to next Sunday (Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity)

Lessons: Proverbs 25:6-14; Ephesians 4:1-6; Luke 14:1-11

Hymns: 644-557-p.155/636/585/587/556/775-875

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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 active and repentant members of St. Peter's 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 (please read I Cor. 1:10; 10:16-17; 11:17-32). 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.

