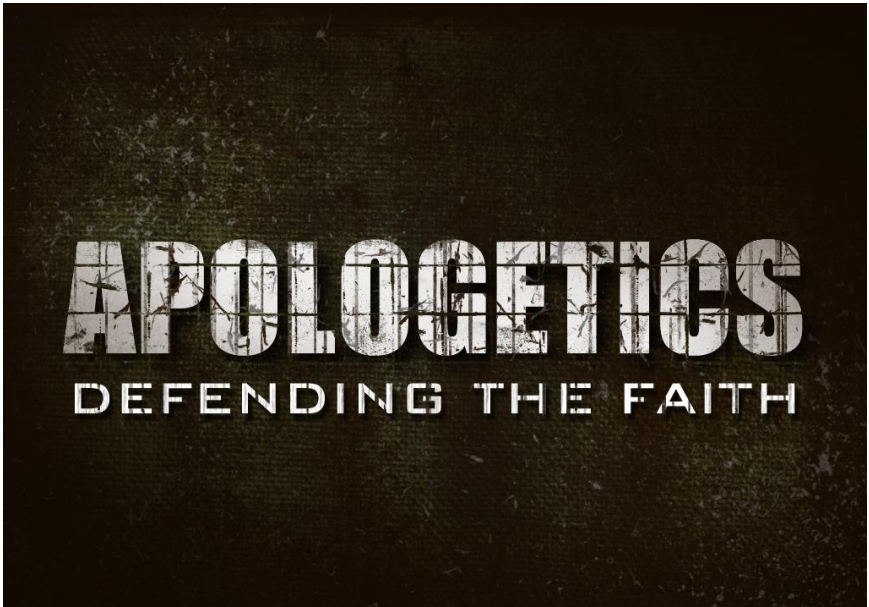


Wednesday Summer Service
Service of Prayer and Preaching
June 19, 2024



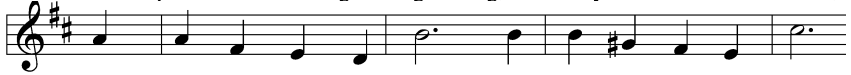
Defending the Faith
What Does Evangelism Look Like?



1 Christ the e - ter - nal Lord, Whose prom - ise here we claim,
 2 Christ the un - chang - ing Word To ev - 'ry pass - ing age,
 3 Christ the re - deem - ing Son, Who shares our hu - man birth,
 4 Christ the un - fad - ing Light Of ev - er - last - ing day,
 5 Christ the as - cend - ed King Ex - alt - ed high a - bove,



Whose gifts of grace are free - ly poured On all who name Your name;
 Whose time - less teach - ings still are heard Set forth on Scrip - ture's page;
 And by His death sal - va - tion won For ev - 'ry child of earth;
 Our Morn - ing Star in splen - dor bright, The Life, the Truth, the Way;
 Whose praise un - end - ing a - ges sing, Whom yet un - seen we love;



With thank - ful - ness and praise We stand be - fore Your throne,
 Trans - form our thought and mind, En - light - en all who read,
 In - spire our hearts, we pray, To tell Your love a - broad,
 That light of truth You give To ser - vants as to friends,
 When mor - tal life is past Your voice from heav - en's throne



In - tent to serve You all our days And make Your glo - ry known.
 With - in Your Word by faith to find The bread of life in - deed.
 That all may hon - or Christ to - day And fol - low Him as Lord.
 Your way to walk, Your life to live, Till earth's brief jour - ney ends.
 Shall call Your chil - dren home at last To know as we are known.

Stand

Opening Versicles

LSB 260

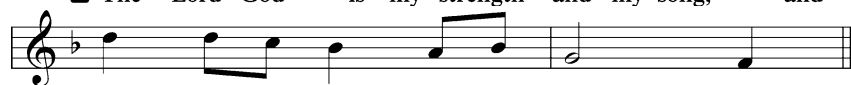
- L** This is the day which the Lord has made;
- C** **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**
- L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**
- L** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
- C** **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**
- L** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
- C** **Teach me Your paths.**
- L** Sanctify us in Your truth.
- C** **Your Word is truth.**
- L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**
- C** **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.**

Old Testament Canticle

LSB 261



The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



He has be - come my sal - va - tion.



With joy will you draw wa - ter from the



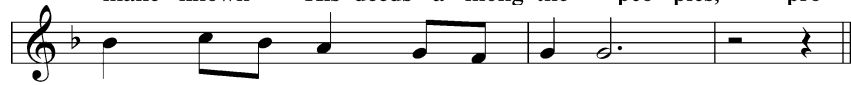
wells of sal - va - tion. And you will say in that



day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call up - on His name,



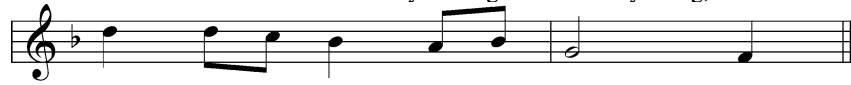
make known His deeds a - mong the peo - ples, pro -



claim that His name is ex - alt - ed."



The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



He has be - come my sal - va - tion.



Sing prais - es to the Lord, for He has done



glo - rious - ly; let this be made known in all the



earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O in -



hab - i - tants of Zi - on, for great in your midst is the

Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

Refrain
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and

He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son

and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will

be for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and

He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

Sit

First Reading

Ps. 145:1-8; antiphon Ps. 145 vs. 1

- P** I will extol you, my God and King,
- C** and bless your name forever and ever.
- P** Every day I will bless you
- C** and praise your name forever and ever.
- P** Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
- C** and his greatness is unsearchable.
- P** One generation shall commend your works to another,
- C** and shall declare your mighty acts.

- P** On the glorious splendor of your majesty,
C **and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.**
- P** They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds,
C **and I will declare your greatness.**
- P** They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness
C **and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.**
- P** The LORD is gracious and merciful,
C **slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**
- C** **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.**
- P** I will extol you, my God and King,
C **and bless your name forever and ever.**

Second Reading

Matthew 13:3–9

³And he told them many things in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow. ⁴And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. ⁵Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, ⁶but when the sun rose they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹He who has ears, let him hear."

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Responsory

LSB 263

- L** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where
Your glory dwells.**
- L** Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where
Your glory dwells.**
- L** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where
Your glory dwells.**

The Small Catechism

P The Third Article

C **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

P What does this mean?

C **I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him;**

P but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.

C **In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth,**

P and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

C **In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins**

P and the sins of all believers.

C **On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead,**

P and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.

C **This is most certainly true.**

Lord's Prayer

LSB 241

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.**

840 Christ High-Ascended, Now in Glory Seated

LSB 840



1 Christ high-as-cend-ed, now in glo-ry seat-ed, Throned and ex-
 2 Christ from the Fa-ther ev-'ry pow'r pos-sess-ing, Who on His
 3 Christ, who in dy-ing won for us sal-va-tion, Lives now the
 4 Christ in His splen-dor, all do-min-ion gain-ing, Christ with His
 5 As at His part-ing, joy shall ban-ish griev-ing, Faith in His



alt-ed, vic-to-ry com-plet-ed, Death's dread do-min-ion
 cho-sen lift-ed hands in bless-ing, Sends forth His ser-vants,
 first-born of the new cre-a-tion; To win dis-ci-ples
 peo-ple ev-er-more re-main-ing, Christ to all a-ges
 pres-ence strength-en our be-liev-ing; Filled with His Spir-it,



fi-nal-ly de-feat-ed, We are His wit-ness-es.
 still in faith con-fess-ing, We are His wit-ness-es.
 out of ev-'ry na-tion, We are His wit-ness-es.
 glo-ri-ous-ly reign-ing, We are His wit-ness-es.
 love and pow'r re-ceiv-ing, We are His wit-ness-es.

Sermon: What Does Evangelism Look Like?

839 O Christ, Our True and Only Light

LSB 839



1 O Christ, our true and on-ly light, En-light-en
 2 Fill with the ra-diance of Your grace The souls now
 3 O gent-ly call those gone a-stray That they may
 4 Shine on the dark-ened and the cold; Re-call the
 5 That they with us may ev-er-more Such grace with



those who sit in night; Let those a-far now
 lost in er-ror's maze; En-light-en those whose
 find the sav-ing way! Let ev-'ry con-science
 wan-d'ers to Your fold. U-nite all those who
 won-d'ring thanks a-dore And end-less praise to



hear Your voice And in Your fold with us re-joice.
 in-most minds Some dark de-lu-sion haunts and blinds.
 sore op-pressed In You find peace and heav'n-ly rest.
 walk a-part; Con-firm the weak and doubt-ing heart,
 You be giv'n By all Your Church in earth and heav'n.

Prayer

L In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For reasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For . . . *[additional bids for prayer may be inserted here]* . . . let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, Your Son Jesus triumphed over the prince of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do Your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Collect for the Word

- P** Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- G** Amen.

Evening Prayer

- C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

New Testament Canticle

LSB 266



C Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -



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



Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.



Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.

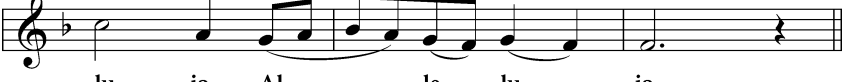


Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.

Refrain




Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -



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



Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He




lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to



sin and a - live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.

Refrain



Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -



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

Blessing

Benedicamus

LSB 267

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

Benediction

267

- A** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
- C** Amen.

827 Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling

LSB 827



1 Hark, the voice of Je - sus call - ing, "Who will go and work to - day?
 2 Some take up His task in morn - ing, To their Lord re - spond - ing soon;
 3 For as rain and snow from heav - en Wa - ter seeds in dust - y soil,
 4 Hear - ken to the Lord whose com - ing Marks the time when grace shall end,



Fields are white and har - vests wait - ing— Who will bear the sheaves a - way?"
 Some are called in heat of mid - day, Oth - ers late in af - ter - noon;
 Caus - ing them to bud and flow - er, Giv - ing bread to those who toil;
 When with His an - gel - ic reap - ers He in glo - ry shall de - scend.



Loud and long the Mas - ter call - eth; Rich re - ward He of - fers thee.
 E - ven as the sun is set - ting, Some are sent in - to the fields,
 So the Lord sends forth His prom - ise, Words of life and joy and peace—
 Soon the night, the fi - nal har - vest; Soon the time for work shall cease.



Who will an - swer, glad - ly say - ing, "Here am I, send me, send me"?
 There to gath - er in the boun - ty That God's Word so rich - ly yields.
 Nev - er void to Him re - turn - ing, Bear - ing fruit with great in - crease.
 Then the souls His grace has gar - nered Shall en - joy His Sab - bath peace.

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