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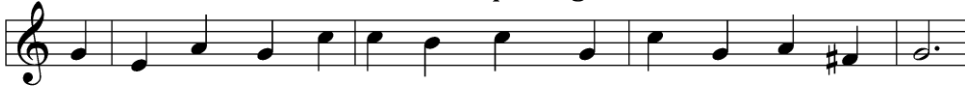
PRELUDE

Today's Brass Quintet

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

LSB 733



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,
2 Un - der the shad - ow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood Or earth re - ceived her frame,
4 A thou-sand a - ges in Thy sight Are like an eve - ning gone,



Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home:
Suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.
Short as the watch that ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, Soon bears us all away;
We fly forgotten as a dream Dies at the op'ning day.

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while troubles last And our eternal home!

INVOCATION *Mt 28:19b*

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCES (*Psalms 90, 46, Lam 3, Mt 16*)

Pastor: Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all the generations.

People: **You, O Lord, have been a dwelling place for us and our children.**

Pastor: Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

People: **You, O Lord, have been with us for these 175 years!**

Pastor: God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

People: **You, O Lord, have been our refuge and our strength!**

Pastor: The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

People: **You, O Lord, are the eternal One and we have trusted you.**

Pastor: Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

People: You, O Lord, have been our faithful One!

Pastor: Jesus said, "I will build my church and the gates of Hades will not overcome it."

People: You, O Lord, have built your church in this place and we have been blessed.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Luke 21:18-19*

Pastor: Beloved, let us confess our sin, our fears, our weaknesses, and let us lift up our eyes to where our Help comes.

People: Gracious God, we confess to You that we have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and deeds. We confess the weakness of our fears and failures and our forgetfulness of Your mercy toward us. Grant us the strength of Your forgiveness and Your provision of faith, hope, and love, and so enable us to face all challenges of life and remain faithful to You. Amen.

Pastor: "I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth." *Psalm 121:1-2*
Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: ♪ Amen.

THE INTROIT *Psalm 121:1-2, 7-8; Introit: Luke 21:33*

Pastor/Choir: Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away. I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth. The LORD will keep you from all evil; He will keep your life. The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

THE GLORIA PATRI

♪ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

ANNIVERSARY KYRIE

Pastor: O Lord our God, for the vision of those who planned for this congregation, and for the commitment and dedication of all who served together at our very beginning,

People: Lord have mercy!

Pastor: For those who have served so faithfully in leadership positions as pastors, elders, musicians, Vestry, staff,
People: Lord have mercy!

Pastor: For those who have willingly given of their efforts to teach, encourage, counsel and sponsor,
People: Lord have mercy!

Pastor: For those who have been such a part of our fellowship for so many years, and now serve you in the church triumphant in heaven, we give you thanks, O Lord.
People: Lord have mercy!

Pastor: For the ways in which we have been able to care for one another, support one another on the journey of life, and give strength to one another, we give you thanks, O Lord.
People: Lord have mercy!

Pastor: For baptisms we've celebrated, professions of faith we have heard, and for answers to prayer, we give you thanks, O Lord.
People: Lord have mercy!

Pastor: For a congregation that has always desired to worship you faithfully and vibrantly, hearing your Word, singing your praise, and seeking your strength, we give you thanks, O Lord.
People: Lord have mercy!

ANTHEM

"The Road Home"

Stephen Paulus

The Cathedral Choir; Abigail Beck Snow, Soprano

Pastor: For a commitment to remain true to your Word in a world of confusing and conflicting voices, we give you thanks, O Lord.
People: Lord have mercy!

Pastor: For generosity that has enabled us to reach far beyond this community with the word and witness of the Gospel, we give you thanks, O Lord.
People: Lord have mercy!

Pastor: For thousands of children and youth who have been here as they were trained in the ways of the Lord and have served for generations and now serve around the world, we give you thanks, O Lord.
People: Lord have mercy!

Pastor: And for a free and prospered land that has given us opportunity to thrive and worship and serve for the sake of your Kingdom, we give you thanks, O Lord.
People: Lord have mercy!

Refrain



C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

Choir: 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
Choir: 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to

5 For the Lamb — who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*

gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE SALUTATION 2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: 

C And with thy spir - it.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Eternal God, as we face the uncertainties and darkness of life in this world, help us also to take great hope in the promise of Your deliverance into the brightness of eternal life with You in the new heavens and earth; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People:  **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT

Psalm 100

(Our Hope for Years to Come)

¹ Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! ² Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! ³ Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! ⁵ For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

1 Peter 2:4-10

("Built into a spiritual house")

⁴ As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him— ⁵ you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For in Scripture it says:

"See, I lay a stone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone, and the one who trusts in him will never be put to shame."

⁷ Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe, "The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,"

⁸ and, "A stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall."

They stumble because they disobey the message—which is also what they were destined for.

⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

"Te Deum Laudamus"

*Karl Osterland
The Cathedral Choir*

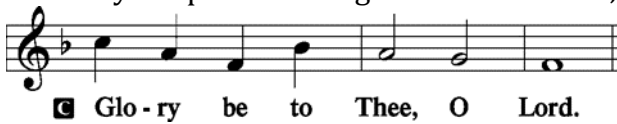
HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 16:13-20

(On this rock I build My Church)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the sixteenth chapter.

People:



¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” ¹⁴ And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵ He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶ Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” ²⁰ Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People:



CONFESSION OF FAITH

Large Catechism

Martin Luther

Pastor: We pray that God’s name may be praised through His holy Word and our Christian lives.

People: **This we ask, both in order that we who have accepted it may remain faithful and grow daily in it and in order that it may gain recognition and followers among other people and advance with power throughout the world.**

Pastor: So we pray that, led by the Holy Spirit, many may come into the kingdom of grace and become partakers of salvation,

People: **so that we may all remain together eternally in this kingdom which has now made its appearance among us.**

Pastor: We pray that thy kingdom may prevail among us through the Word and the power of the Holy Spirit, that the devil’s kingdom may be overthrown.

People: **We are praying for an eternal, priceless treasure and everything that God himself possesses.**

Pastor: It would be far too great for any human heart to dare to desire if God himself had not commanded us to ask for it.

People: **But because he is God, he claims the honor of giving far more abundantly and liberally than anyone can comprehend.**

Pastor: He desires of us nothing more ardently than that we ask many and great things of him.
People: Let the kingdom of God be the first thing for which we pray.

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

LSB 809



1 Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest,
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee.
Sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;



Thou chang - est not: Thy com - pas - sions, they fail not;
Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,



As Thou hast been, Thou for - ev - er wilt be.
To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness! Great is Thy faith - ful - ness!



Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;



All I have need - ed Thy hand hath pro - vid - ed;



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

SERMON

"Our Hope for Years to Come"
Rev. D. Lee Andrzejewski, Head Pastor
Historic Trinity Lutheran Church

Psalm 90:1

OFFERTORY Ps 51:10-12

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♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.
Amen.

GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

We continue to gather offerings utilizing the offering receptacles (one at the back of the church and one at the Gratiot entrance in the parish hall), through the mail, and online.



VOLUNTARY

Today's Brass Quintet

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

9am continues with the Benediction

† The Order of Holy Communion †
@10:30am

THE PREFACE AND PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you. 2 Tim. 4:22

People: A musical staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4.

☐ And with thy spir - it.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. Lam 3:41

People: A musical staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4.

☐ We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God. Ps 100:4

People: A musical staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4.

☐ It is meet and right so to do.

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for by Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You have delivered us from the darkness of our fears, failures, and sins. By giving Christ into death and raising Him again to share His endless life with us, You give us help and hope. 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 *Is 6:3*

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♪ Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION *Mt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Co 11:23-25*

THE PAX DOMINI *Jn 20:19*

Pastor: The peace of Lord be with you all.

People: ♪ Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI *Jn 1:29*

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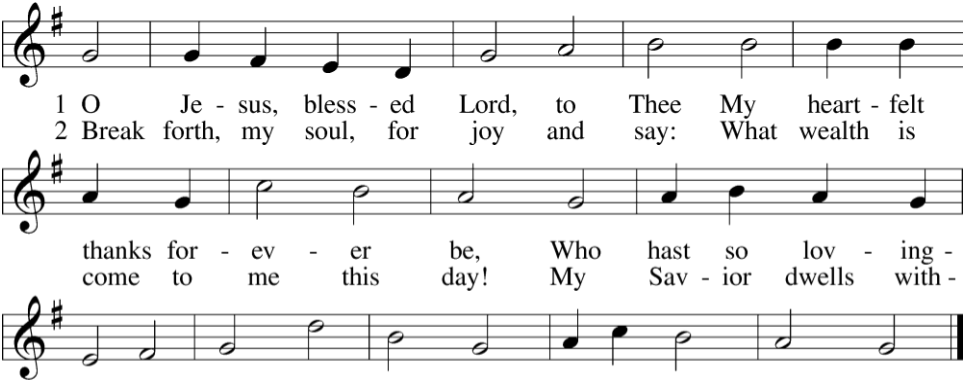
□ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the
world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the
world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION

*For those with health concerns, there are gluten free wafers and non-alcoholic white wine available.
Communion will take place in two continuous lines at the altar.*

"O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee"

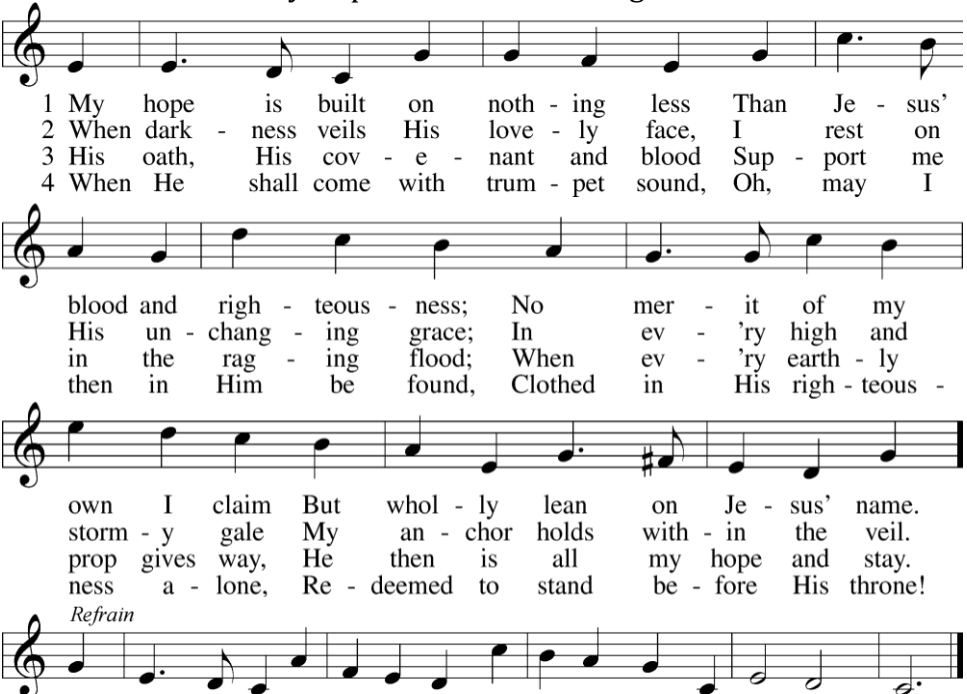
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1 O Je - sus, bless - ed Lord, to Thee My heart - felt
 2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: What wealth is
 thanks for - ev - er be, Who hast so lov - ing -
 come to me this day! My Sav - ior dwells with -
 ly be - stowed On me Thy bod - y and Thy blood.
 in my heart: How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

LSB 575



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less Than Je - sus'
 2 When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on
 3 His oath, His cov - e - nant and blood Sup - port me
 4 When He shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh, may I
 blood and righ - teous - ness; No mer - it of my
 His un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and
 in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly
 then in Him be found, Clothed in His righ - teous -
 own I claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
 storm - y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.
 prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.
 ness a - lone, Re - deemed to stand be - fore His throne!
Refrain
 On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

DISMISSAL

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Gracious God, giver of every good gift, You are worthy to receive the firstfruit worship of our hearts and of our lives. We thank You for having refreshed us at Your Table. By the working of Your Holy Spirit within us,

lead us to be people who faithfully offer to You the first, the most, and the best of all that we have and all that we are with devotion and with joy. This we ask in the name of Jesus, our loving Savior.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION Num 6:24-26

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The † Lord lift his countenance upon you and give you peace.

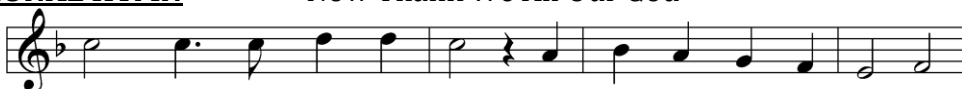
People:



RECESSIONAL HYMN

“Now Thank We All Our God”

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1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voices,
 2 Oh, may this bounteous God Through all our life be near us,
 △ 3 All praise and thanks to God The Father now be given,



Who wondrous things has done, In whom His world rejoices;
 With ever joyous hearts And blessed peace to cheer us
 The Son, and Him who reigns With them in highest heaven,



Who from our mothers' arms Has blessed us on our way
 And keep us in His grace And guide us when perplexed
 The one eternal God, Whom earth and heaven adore;



With countless gifts of love And still is ours to-day.
 And free us from all ills In this world and the next!
 For thus it was, is now, And shall be evermore.

POSTLUDE

Today's Brass Quintet