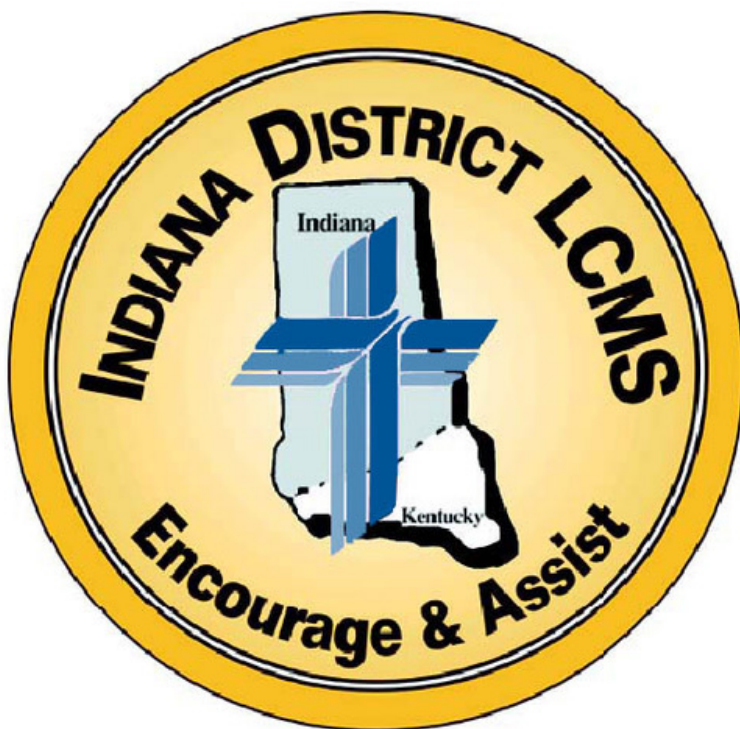


**The Office of Vespers
with the Installation of District Officers
of the Indiana District
of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod**



6:00 p. m., Tuesday, September 6, 2022
at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
2313 Hanna St, Fort Wayne, Indiana

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✠ = appropriate to make the baptismal sign of the cross
When "rise" or "kneel" is indicated, it is appropriate to sit if needed

Pre-Service Fugue on the Chorale "Wake, Awake" (Op. 52 / 2) Max Reger

The Congregation rises, turns towards the entrance of the nave, and faces the Cross of Christ, the reminder of Christ's promise to come and dwell among His people as they are gathered in His name.

Opening Hymn Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying LSB 516



1. "Wake, a - wake, for night is fly - ing," The watch-men on the heights are cry - ing;
2. Zi - on hears the watch-men sing - ing, And all her heart with joy is spring-ing;
3. Now let all the heav'ns a - dore — Thee, Let saints and an - gels sing be-fore Thee



"A - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!" Mid - night hears the wel-come voic - es
She wakes, she ris - es from her gloom. For her Lord comes down all - glo - rious,
With harp and cym-bals clear - est tone. Of one pearl each shin - ing por - tal,



And at the thrill-ing cry re - joic-es: "Oh, where are ye, ye vir - gins wise?
The strong in grace, in truth vic - to-rious; Her star is ris'n, her light is come.
Where, join-ing with the choir im - mor-tal, We gath - er round Thy ra - diant throne.



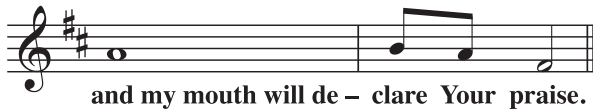
The Bride - groom comes a - wake! Your lamp with glad-ness take! Al - le - lu - ia!
Now come, Thou Bless-ed One, Lord Je - sus, God's own Son, Hail! Ho-san - na!
No eye has seen the light, No ear has heard the might Of Thy glo - ry;



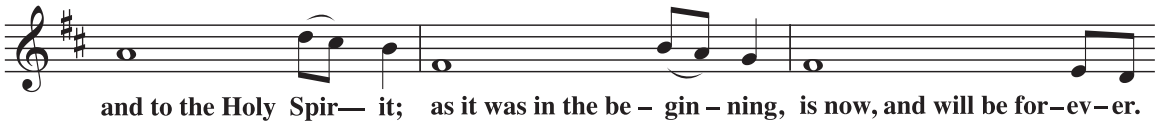
With brid - al care Your-selves pre- pare To meet the Bride - groom, who is near."
We en - ter all The wed - ding hall To eat the Sup - per at Thy call.
There-fore will we E - ter - nal - ly Sing hymns of praise and joy to Thee!

Opening Sentences

O Lord, open my lips;



Make haste, O God, to deliver me.



+ The Word of God for the People of God +

Psalmody Psalm 139: 1-18



[Antiphon] *O LORD, you have searched me and | known__ me! || You know | when I sit__ | down__ || and when | I rise up; || you discern my | thoughts__ from a- | far.*

Verse 1: You search out my path and my | ly- ing down || and are acquainted | with__ all my | ways__ . || Even before a word is | on my tongue, || behold, O LORD, you | know it al- to- | gether•.

Verse 2: You hem me in, behind | and be- fore, || and lay your | hand up- on__ | me__ . || Such knowledge is too wonder- | ful for me; || it is high; | I can- not at- | •tain it•.

Verse 3: Where shall I go | from your •Spirit•? || Or where shall I | flee__ from your | pre- sence? || If I ascend to heaven, | you are there! || If I make my bed in Sheol, | you__ are__ | there!

Verse 4: If I take the wings | of the •morning• || and dwell in the uttermost | parts__ of the | sea__ , || even there your | hand shall •lead me•, || and your right | hand shall hold__ | me.



Verse 5: **If I say, “Surely the darkness shall | cov- er me, || and the light a- | bout me be__ | night__,”
|| even the darkness is not | dark to you; || the night is bright as the day, for darkness | is as
light with | you.**

Verse 6: *For you formed my | in- ward parts; || you knitted me together | in my moth- er’s | womb__. || I
praise you, for I am fearfully and wonder- | ful- ly made. || Wonderful are your works; my soul |
knows it ver- y | well.*

Verse 7: **My frame was not | •hidden• from you, || when I was being made in secret, intricately woven
in the | depths__ of the | earth__. || Your eyes saw my | un- formed •substance•; || in your
book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet | there
was none of | them.**

Verse 8: *How precious to me are your | thoughts, O God! || How vast | is the sum of | them__! || If I would
count them, they are more | than the sand. || I awake, and | I am still with | you.*

Gloria: **Glory be to the Father and | to the Son: || and | to the Ho- ly | Spir- it; || As it was in the be- |
•ginning•, is now, || and will | be for- •ever•. A- | men!**

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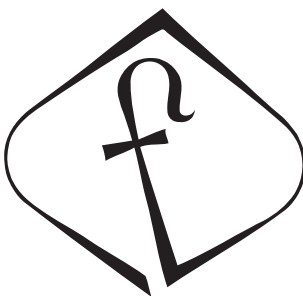
[Be Seated]

First Reading Numbers 18:1-7

[Following the reading] *O Lord, have mercy on us.*



Thanks be to God.



Psalm Chorale Glorious Things of You Are Spoken (Psalm 132) LSB 648



1. Glor - ious things of You are spo-ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our
2. See, the streams of liv - ing wa-ters, Spring - ing from e - ter - nal
3. Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov'-ring, See the cloud and fire ap -
4. Sav - ior, since of Zi - on's cit - y I through grace a mem - ber



God; He whose word can - not be bro - ken Formed you for his
 love, Well sup - ply your sons and daugh-ters And all fear of
 pear For a glo - ry and a cov'-ring, Show - ing that the
 am, Let the world de - ride or pit - y, I will glo - ry



own a - bode. On the Rock of A - ges found - ed,
 want re - move. Who can faint while such a riv - er
 Lord is near. Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner
 in Your name. Fad - ing are the world's vain plea - sures



What can shake your sure re - pose? With sal - va - tion's
 Ev - er will their thirst as - suage Grace, which like the
 Light by night and shade by day, Safe they feed up -
 All their boast - ed pomp and show; Sol - id joys and



walls sur - round - ed, You may smile at all your foes.
 Lord, the giv - er, Nev - er fails from age to age.
 on the man - na Which God gives them on their way.
 last - ing trea - sures None but Zi - on's child - ren know.

Second Reading Titus 1:5-9

[Following the reading] O Lord, have mercy on us.



Thanks be to God.

Psalms Choral Evening and Morning (Psalm 145) LSB 726



1. Eve - ning and morn - ing Sun - set and dawn - ing Wealth, peace, and glad - ness,
2. Fa - ther, O hear — me, Par - don and spare me; Calm all my ter - rors,
3. Ills that still grieve me Soon are to leave — me; Though bil - lows tow - er,
4. To God in heav - en All praise be giv - en! Come, let us of - fer



Com - fort in sad - ness; These are Thy works; all the glo - ry be Thine!
 Blot out my er - rors That by Thine eyes they may no more be scanned.
 And winds gain pow - er, Af - ter the storm the fair sun shows its face.
 And glad - ly prof - fer To the Cre - a - tor the gifts He doth prize.



Times with - out num - ber, A - wake or in slum - ber, Thine eye ob - serves us, From
 Or - der my go - ings, Di - rect all my do - ings; As it may please Thee, Re -
 Joys e'er in - creas - ing And peace nev - er ceas - ing: These shall I trea - sure And
 He well re - ceiv - eth A heart that be - liev - eth; Hymns that a - dore Him Are



dan - ger pre - serves us, Caus - ing Thy mer - cy up - on us to shine.
 tain or re - lease me; All I com - mit to Thy fa - ther - ly hand.
 share in full mea - sure When in His man - sions God grants me a place.
 pre - cious be - fore Him And to His throne like sweet in - cense a - rise.

Third Reading Luke 12:35-48

[Following the reading] O Lord, have mercy on us.



Thanks be to God.

Common Responsory

1. Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk in Your truth. REFRAIN
2. Unite my heart to fear Your name that I may walk in Your truth. REFRAIN
3. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. REFRAIN



[Refrain] Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light__ to my path.

Office Hymn From God Can Nothing Move Me LSB 713

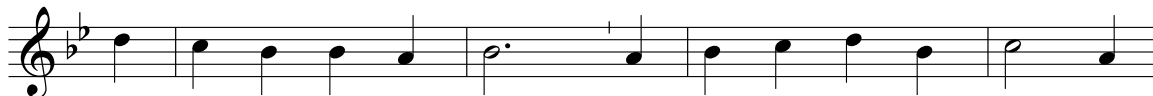


- [All] 1. From God can noth - ing move me; He will not step a - side
 [All] 2. When those whom I re - gard - ed As trust - wor - thy and sure
 [Women] 3. The Lord my life ar - rang - es; Who can His work de - stroy?
 [Men] 4. Each day at His good pleas - ure God's gra - cious will is done.
 [Women] 5. Praise God with ac - cla - ma - tion And in His gifts re - joice.



But gent - ly will re - prove me And be my con - stant guide.
 Have long from me de - part - ed, God's grace shall still en - dure.
 In His good time He chang - es All sor - row in - to joy.

He sent His great - est trea - sure In Je - sus Christ, His Son.
 Each day finds it vo - ca - tion Re - spond - ing to His voice.



He stretch - es out His hand In eve - ning and in morn - ing,
 He res - cues me from sin And breaks the chains that bind me.
 So let me then be still: My bod - y, soul, and spir - it

He ev - 'ry gift im - parts. The bread of earth and heav - en
 Soon years on earth are past; But time we spend ex - press - ing



My life with grace a - dorn - ing Wher - ev - er I may stand.
 I leave death's fear be - hind me; His peace I have with - in.
 His ten - der care in - her - it Ac - cord - ing to His will.
 Are by His kind - ness giv - en. Praise Him with thank - ful hearts!
 The love of God brings bless - ing That will for - ev - er last!

[Men] 6. Yet even though I suffer | The world's unpleasantness, | And though the days grow rougher | And bring me great distress, | That day of bliss divine, | Which knows no end or measure, | And Christ, who is my pleasure, | Forever shall be mine.

[Rise for stanza 7.]

[All] 7. For thus the Father willed it, | Who fashioned us from clay; | And His own Son fulfilled it | And brought eternal day. | The Spirit now has come, | To us true faith has given; | He leads us home to heaven. | O praise the Three in One!

[Be Seated]

Homily Rev. Benjamin T. Ball

+ Installation of District Officers +

Installation of the President

Installation of the Vice-Presidents

Installation of Circuit Visitors

Installation of Other Officers and Members of the Board of Directors

Installation of Members of Committees and Commissions

[Rise]

Magnificat..... Tell Out My Soul LSB 935



1. Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord! Un - num - bered
2. Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of His name! Make known His
3. Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of His might! Pow'rs and do -
4. Tell out, my soul, the glo - ries of His Word! Firm is His



bles - ings give my spi - rit voice; Ten - der to me the prom - ise of His
 might, the deeds His arm has done; His mer - cy sure, from age to age the
 min - ions lay their glo - ry by. Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to
 prom - ise, and His mer - cy sure. Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the



Word; In God my Sav - ior shall my heart re - jice.
 same; His ho - ly name, the Lord, the Might - y One.
 flight, The hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.
 Lord To chil - dren's chil - dren and for - ev - er - more!

+ The Prayers of the People of God before the Throne of God +

[*Kneel*]

Kyrie

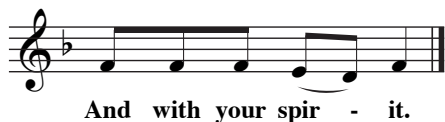


Lord's Prayer

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!

Salutation

The Lord be with you.

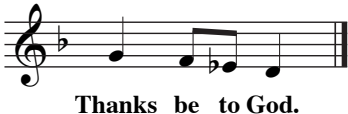


Collects



Benedicamus

Let us bless the Lord.



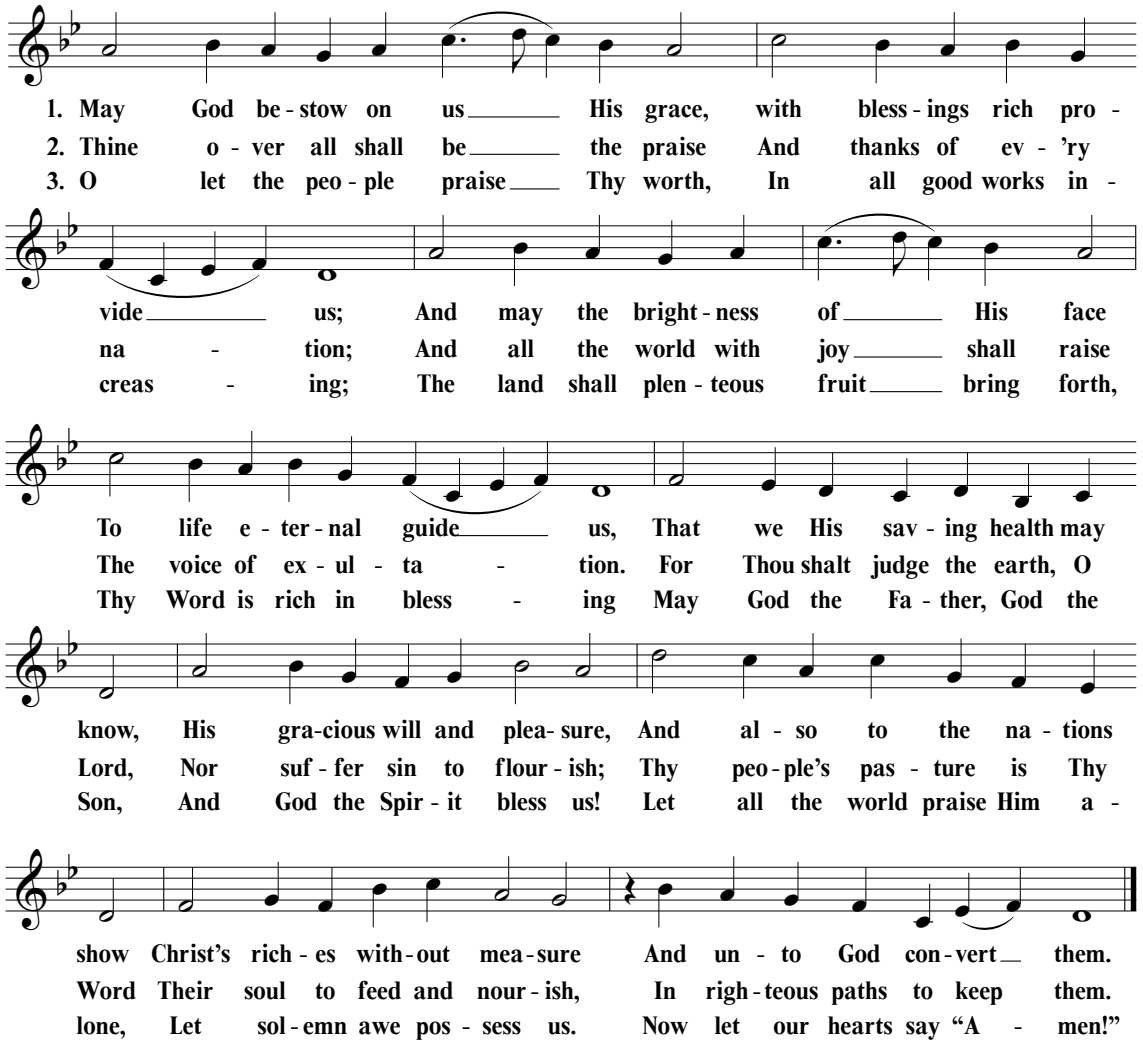
Blessing

The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ, and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.



During the Closing Hymn, the Congregation rises, turns, and faces the Processional Cross, the symbol of Christ's promise to remain with and lead His people as they now go and live in the world in His name.

Closing Hymn May God Bestow on Us His Grace LSB 823



1. May God be-stow on us His grace, with bless-ings rich pro-
2. Thine o-ver all shall be the praise And thanks of ev-'ry
3. O let the peo-ple praise Thy worth, In all good works in-
vide us; And may the bright-ness of His face
na-tion; And all the world with joy shall raise
creas-ing; The land shall plen-teous fruit bring forth,
To life e-ter-nal guide us, That we His sav-ing health may
The voice of ex-ul-ta-tion. For Thou shalt judge the earth, O
Thy Word is rich in bless-ing May God the Fa-ther, God the
know, His gra-cious will and plea-sure, And al-so to the na-tions
Lord, Nor suf-fer sin to flour-ish; Thy peo-ple's pas-ture is Thy
Son, And God the Spir-it bless us! Let all the world praise Him a-
show Christ's rich-es with-out mea-sure And un-to God con-vert them.
Word Their soul to feed and nour-ish, In righ-teous paths to keep them.
lone, Let sol-emn awe pos-sess us. Now let our hearts say "A - men!"

Postlude Musique Royale Michel Richard Delalande

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We thank the Lord of the Church for the bountiful blessings that only He can bestow. Uniquely today we thank Him for the blessed service performed by the Rev. Dr. Daniel Brege as president of the Indiana District during the past four years. May the Lord continue to bless President-emeritus Daniel and Lynn Brege as they continue to serve Him in their respective vocations.

**A reception in Bauer Hall follows the Vespers service.
(exit the narthex to the south and continue to the reception)**

Serving Today

- Mr. William Schweikert Crucifer*
- Messrs. Tony Alessandrini, Manny Colburn, Kevin Drew, Terry Fisher, Jim Graham,
Edward Hollman, Mark Hollman, Edward King, Rev. Dr. James Voelz Zion Lutheran Brass Ensemble*
- Mr. Bryen Warfield Director of the Brass Ensemble*
- Mr. Michael Hollman, Director of Music and Organist, Zion Lutheran Church Organist*
- Rev. Douglas Punke, Senior Pastor, Zion Lutheran Church. Liturgist and Lector*
- Rev. Benjamin T. Ball, Sixth Vice-President of Synod. Preacher and Presiding Minister
(for the Installation of President Stuckwisch)*
- Rev. Dr. D. Richard Stuckwisch, President of the Indiana District. . . . Presiding Minister (after Installation)*