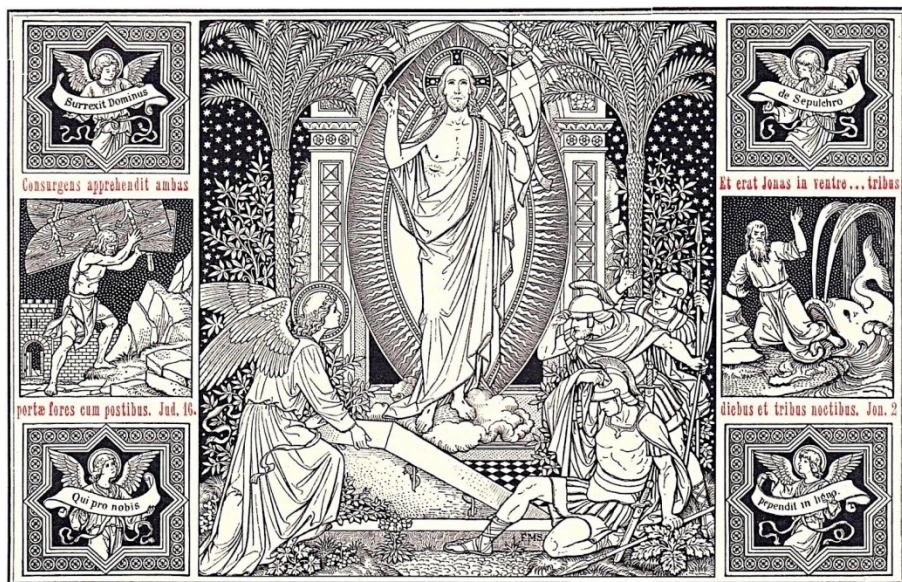


# Divine Service Booklet

## for the Easter Season



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome!** Emmanuel is an independent, liturgical, traditional, historical, evangelical, catholic, orthodox, confessional Lutheran congregation. We believe that the Bible is the very Word of God, inspired and without any errors. We confess the Christian faith according to the Lutheran Book of Concord of 1580 because we believe the confessions contained therein to be in accord with the teaching of Holy Scripture. We observe the calendar of the traditional Church Year and follow the Historic Lectionary. We celebrate the Divine Service (also known as the Mass) every Sunday and on other festivals, and we welcome visitors to hear God's Word with us.



With regard to Holy Communion, we understand the Scriptures to teach *closed Communion*, which means that only communicant members of our congregation or of other congregations in communion with us are invited to commune at the Lord's Table here. Classes are offered throughout the year by the pastor so that those who are interested in becoming communicant members have the opportunity to learn about the Christian faith and our confession of it.

**The Order of Service** is printed in this booklet. The Propers (the parts that change from week to week) are noted in the Service Insert. Unless otherwise noted, the hymns are found in the red hymnal (*The Lutheran Hymnal*).

**The Easter Season** celebrates Jesus' resurrection from the dead and His promises to build His Church through the preaching of the Gospel. It is a season full of joy in the new life Christ already shares with all who believe in Him and in the resurrection to life that He promises to all who remain faithful unto death. The color is white for Christ's glory and divinity.

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# The Order of the Divine Service

*An Opening Hymn is sung.*

*Stand*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.



A - - - - men.

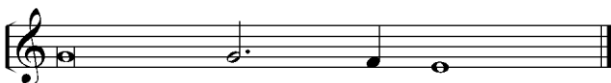
## THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

*For baptized and penitent Christians to make confession and receive absolution.*

**P** Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our heavenly Father, seeking His mercy and forgiveness for the sake of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

**V** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

*Ps. 24:8*



**R** Who made heaven and earth.

**V** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

*Ps. 32:5*



**R** And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

**C** O Almighty God, merciful Father, I confess to You that I am by nature sinful and unclean, and that I have sinned against You in my thoughts, words, and deeds. For this I deserve nothing but Your wrath and punishment. But I am truly sorry for all my sins, and trusting only in Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

**P** God, our heavenly Father, gave His only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to be the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the world, and has promised the forgiveness of sins to all who repent and believe in Jesus. Therefore, to all of you who are truly penitent and believing and intend to order your life according to God's commandments, I declare, as a called and ordained minister of the Christian Church: Your sins are forgiven you, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



**R** A - - - - men.

## THE INTROIT

*The Introit is sung as printed in the Service Insert. Then follows:*

## THE KYRIE



## THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



You who sit at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -  
on us. For You only are holy; You on - ly are the Lord.  
You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the  
glory of God the Father. A - men.

## THE SALUTATION & THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**R** And with your spir - it.

**P** Let us pray.

*The Pastor says the Collect, concluding, "...one God, forever and ever."*

**R** A - - - - men.

*Sit*

## THE EPISTLE

## THE GRADUAL

*The Gradual is sung as printed in the Service Insert.*

*Stand*

## THE GOSPEL

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. \_\_\_\_\_, chapter \_\_\_\_.

Glo-ry be to You, O Lord!

*After the reading:*

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



## THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one substance with the Father; through whom all things were made; who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven; and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Sit. A Hymn is sung. The Pastor then preaches:*

## THE SERMON

*Stand after the sermon to sing:*

## THE OFFERTORY

*Ps. 51:10-12*



way from Your pres-ence, and take not Your Ho - ly Spir- it  
from me. Re-store to me the joy of Your sal - va -  
tion, and up-hold me with a will-ing spir-it. A - men.

## THE GENERAL PRAYER

*If a Hymn follows, the congregation sits. All then stand for:*

## THE PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.

**R** And with your spir - it.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**R** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

**R** It is good and right so to do.

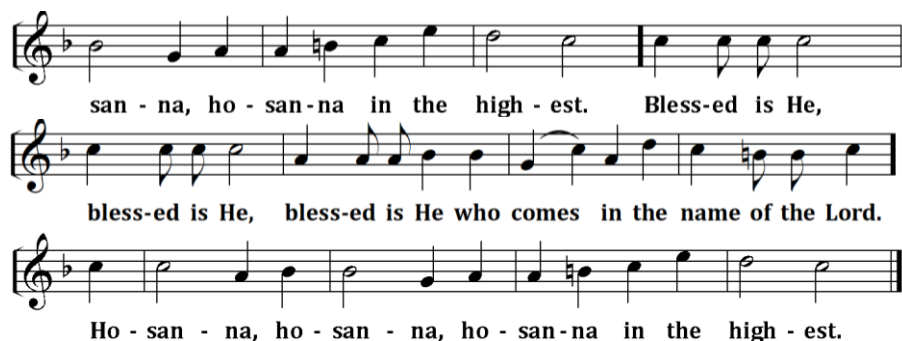
*The Pastor chants the Proper Preface, concluding:*

Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## THE SANCTUS

*Is. 6:3; Mt. 21:9*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho-ly Lord God of heav-en-ly hosts;  
heav'n and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho -

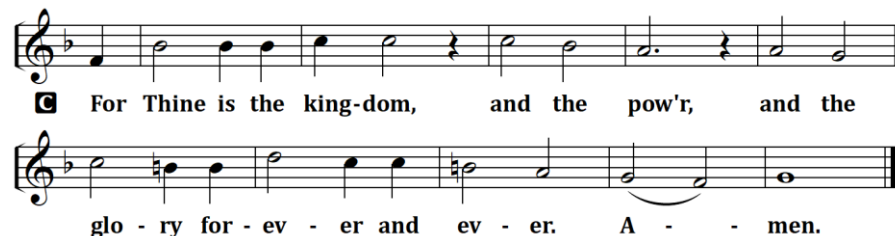


san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,  
bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Mt. 6:9-13

**P** 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.



**C** For Thine is the king-dom, and the pow'r, and the  
glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - - men.

## THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Mt. 26, Mk. 14, Lk. 22, 1 Cor. 11

*The Pastor shall consecrate the elements for Holy Communion, proclaiming the Words of our Lord Jesus Christ by which He instituted the Sacrament of the Altar.*

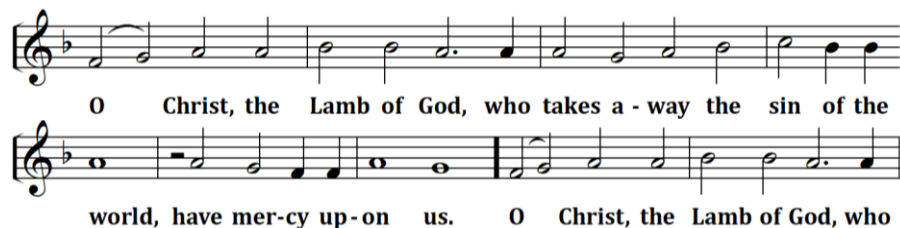
## THE PAX DOMINI

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always!



**R** A - - - - men.

## THE AGNUS DEI



O Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes a - way the sin of the  
world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, the Lamb of God, who



takes a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.

O Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes a-way the sin of the

world, grant us Your peace. A - - - - - men.

*Sit*

## THE DISTRIBUTION

*Please note our Closed Communion practice, explained on the first page of this booklet. Communicant members of our congregation are invited to come forward to receive the Lord's Supper. During the distribution, the congregation may sing the Distribution Hymn(s), as time permits.*

*Stand to sing:*

## THE NUNC DIMITTIS

Lk. 2:29-32

Lord, now You let Your servant de - part in peace ac -

cord-ing to Your word, for my eyes have seen Your salvation,

which You have pre - pared be - fore the face of all peoples,

a Light for en-light-en-ing the Gen-tiles and for glo - ry to Your

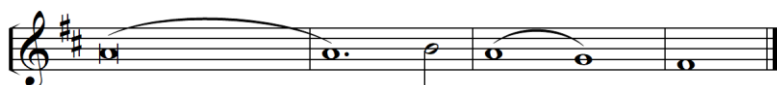
peo-ple Is - - - ra-el. Glo - ry be to the Father and



to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spirit; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, for - ev - er - more. A - men.

## THE THANKSGIVING

**P** Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!



**R** For His mercy en - dures for - ev - - - er.

*The pastor says the Prayer, concluding, "...one God, forever and ever."*



**R** A - - - - men.

## THE SALUTATION & THE BENEDICAMUS

**P** The Lord be with you.



**R** And with your spir - it.

**P** Let us bless the Lord.



**R** Thanks be to God.

## THE BENEDICTION

*Num. 6:24-26*

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



**R** A - men, A - men, A - - - men.

*Sit*

*A Closing Hymn may be sung.*

# We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

1 We walk by faith and not by sight, No gra-cious words we hear  
 2 We may not touch His hands and side, Nor fol-low where He trod;  
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un-be-lief; And may our faith a-bound  
 4 For You, O res-ur-rect-ed Lord, Are found in means di-vine:  
 5 Lord, when our life of faith is done, In realms of clear-er light

From Him who spoke as none e'er spoke, But we be-lieve Him near.  
 But in His prom-ise we re-joice And cry, "My Lord and God!"  
 To call on You when You are near And seek where You are found.  
 Be-neath the wa-ter and the Word, Be-neath the bread and wine.  
 May we be-hold You as You are, With full and end-less sight.

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# This Is the Feast

## Refrain

This is the feast of vic-tory 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  
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
 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-tory for our God.

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

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 Tune: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923

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