

Service Insert

for Trinity 20
November 2, 2025

THE INTROIT *(after the Absolution)*

Prayer of Azariah 1:4,7,20,19; Ps. 48:1

P *(Antiphon)* THE LORD, our God, is righteous in all His works |
toward us, *

For we have not obeyed | His commandments.

Glorify Your Name, | O Lord: *

And deal with us according to | Your great mercy.



C Great is the Lord, and greatly to | be praised *

In the city of our God, in His | holy mountain.



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



and to the Ho - ly Spirit; as it was in the be - gin - ning,



is now, and ev - er shall be, for - ev - er - more. A - men.

P *(Antiphon)*

THE GRADUAL & VERSE *(after the Epistle)*

Ps. 145:15-16; Ps. 130:1-2a

P The eyes of all look expectantly to You, | O Lord, *
And You give them their food | in due season.

C You open | Your hand, *

And satisfy the desire of ev' - | ry living thing.

P Alle- | luia.

Al- | -- leluia. *

C Out of the depths I have cried to You, | O Lord;

Lord, hear my voice! | Alleluia.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

HYMNS

OPENING HYMN TLH #387 – *Dear Christians, One and All (st. 1-5)*
HYMN (after the Creed) TLH #387 – *Dear Christians, One and All (st. 6-10)*
HYMN (after General Prayer) TLH #371 – *Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness*
DISTRIBUTION HYMN TLH #306 - *Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Hast Prepared*

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Epistle: *Ephesians 5:15-21*

Gospel: *Matthew 22:1-14*

from the Formula of Concord, Epitome, Art. XI, Election

10. Now, let whoever is concerned about God's revealed will act on the order that St. Paul has described in the Epistle to the Romans. Paul first directs people to repentance, to knowledge of sins, to faith in Christ, to divine obedience. Only afterward does he speak of the mystery of God's eternal election. This doctrine is useful and consolatory to the person who proceeds in this way.

11. However, "many are called, but few are chosen." This does not mean that God is unwilling to save everybody. But the reason some are not saved is as follows: They do not listen to God's Word at all, but willfully despise it, plug their ears, and harden their hearts. In this way they block the ordinary way for the Holy Spirit so He cannot perform His work in them. Or, when they have heard God's Word, they make light of it again and ignore it. But their wickedness is responsible for the fact that they perish, not God or His election.

12. A Christian should concern himself with the article about God's eternal election only as far as it has been revealed in God's Word. His Word presents Christ to us as the Book of Life, which He opens and reveals to us by the preaching of the Holy Gospel, as it is written in Romans 8:30, "And those whom He predestined He also called." In Him we are to seek the eternal election of the Father, who has determined in His eternal divine counsel that He would save no one except those who know His Son Christ and truly believe in Him.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK AND NEXT

Nov. 3 Helen F. (Washington)
Nov. 4 Joseph C.

EVENTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE...

Wed., Nov. 5 - Vespers, 6:30 PM
Sun., Nov. 9 - Bible class, 9 AM
 - Divine Service, 10:15 AM (Third-to-Last Sunday)

Sun., Nov. 30 - Annual Congregational Meeting?