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Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost



By Faith...

Isaac and Jacob



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Welcome to Holy Trinity

We're glad you came today to join us in worshiping the one true God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. He has graciously created us, mercifully redeemed us, and freely gives us all the treasures of heaven through His Word and Sacraments!

HOLY TRINITY is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS), a national church body headquartered in Mankato, Minnesota. We confess that we are saved by Grace Alone (Eph. 2:8) through Faith Alone (Acts 16:31) revealed in Scripture Alone (John 5:24). Though we are totally sinful from birth, Jesus Christ paid for our sins on the cross and gives us eternal life in heaven. We subscribe to the Lutheran Confessions (the Book of Concord, 1580) because they are a faithful and accurate summary of this Biblical doctrine. The ELS has been in fellowship with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) since 1872.

If you are a visitor with us today and want to find out more about what we teach, or are curious about church membership, please talk to our pastor. Please be sure to provide us with your contact information in our friendship register that is passed around before or after the service.

Restrooms are located on the north end of the fellowship hall through the doors to the Learning Center. Additional restrooms with changing tables are located to the left of the entrance to the fellowship hall, through the doors to the Learning Center, then to the left.

Parents who need to leave the service to have quiet time with their child are welcome to use any of our classrooms in the Learning Center.

A Note to All Our Guests Regarding the Lord's Supper:

During this service, we will celebrate the Lord's Supper. Since this sacrament is the Lord's Supper and not ours, we are careful to follow our Lord's instructions. In particular, we take to heart these important truths:

1. In the Lord's Supper, Jesus truly gives us His body and blood together with the bread and the wine. Jesus says, "Take and eat; this is my body...Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood" (Matthew 26:26-28).
2. In the Lord's Supper, we express a unity of faith with one another. "Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf" (1 Corinthians 10:17).
3. Our Lord urges us to practice this unity with great love and care. "Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. Anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself" (1 Corinthians 11:27,29).

Because we take these truths seriously, we invite all communicant members of our congregation or of a sister congregation in the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS) or the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) to commune with us today. However, we ask that those who are not members of a sister congregation refrain from taking the Lord's Supper with us at this time. In doing this, we are not judging anyone's faith. Out of love for our Lord and all people, we simply desire to discuss the Bible's teachings with our guests before communing together. We want all who commune to receive the Lord's Supper for their benefit and in a way that follows our Lord's instructions. If you have any questions about this or any other teaching of the Bible—or if you would like information about how to join our congregation—please feel free to speak to our pastor.

THE DIVINE SERVICE

RITE TWO

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Hymn • “We Are Called to Stand Together”

1. We are called to stand together
with the saints of ages past,
with the patriarchs and prophets
in the faith they once held fast;
promises and hopes they treasured
now we find fulfilled at last!
2. Those whom Jesus called apostles
journeyed with him side by side,
heard his teaching, felt his power,
saw the way he lived and died;
then the news of resurrection
they delivered far and wide.
3. Thro’ the intervening ages
round the world the gospel spread:
faithful heralds took the message,
guided where the Spirit led;
so the body grew in stature,
serving Christ, the living head.
4. Now in many tongues and cultures
songs of celebration ring:
millions who confess our Savior
honor him as Lord and King
and, for courage, grace, and guidance,
ev’ry day their prayers they bring.
5. To each coming generation
tell the truth, persuade, explain,
till the time when time is ended,
till the Savior comes again—
till the saints are all united
under Christ’s eternal reign!

– Stand –

Invocation

PASTOR In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

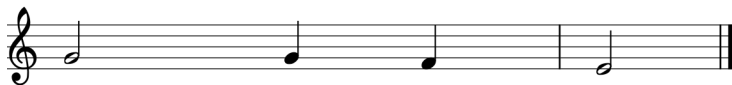


G A - men.

Confession and Absolution

P *Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.*

P *Our help is in the name of the Lord.*



C Who made heav'n and earth.

P *I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord;*



C And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

A **LL** **O** almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.

P *Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son $\dagger$ and of the Holy Spirit.*

C **Amen.**

Psalm • 22:19, 22-31

P *But you, O LORD, do not be distant.*

C **O my Strength, come quickly to help me.**

P *I will declare your name to my brothers.*

C **In the midst of the congregation I will praise you.**

P *You who fear the LORD, praise him!*

C **All you descendants of Jacob, honor him!**

P *Stand in awe of him, all you descendants of Israel!*

C **For he has not despised nor detested the affliction of the afflicted.**

P *He has not hidden his face from him,*

C **but when he cried out to him, he heard.**

P *You are the source of my praise in the great congregation.*

C **I will fulfill my vows in the presence of those who fear him.**

P *The poor will eat and be satisfied.*

C **Those who seek him will praise the LORD—**

P *may he live in your hearts forever!*

C **All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the LORD,**

P *and all the families of the nations will bow down before you.*

C **For the kingdom belongs to the LORD,**

P *and he rules over the nations.*

C **All the rich of the earth will eat and bow down.**

P *All who go down to the dust will kneel before him—*

C **those who cannot keep themselves alive.**

P *Descendants will serve him.*

C **For generations people will be told about the Lord.**

P *They will come and proclaim his righteousness to a people yet to be born—*

C **because he has done it.**

Gloria Patri

C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was

in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, for-ev-er-more. A-men.

Kyrie Eleison

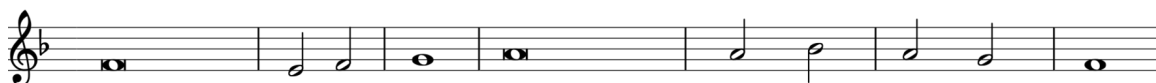


A Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ have mer - cy



up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

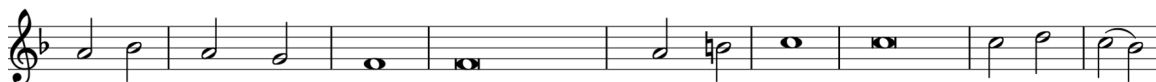
Gloria in Excelsis Deo



A Glory be to God on high and on earth peace good will toward men.



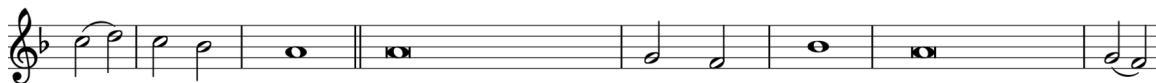
We praise You, we bless You, we worship You, we glorify You, we give thanks to



You for Your great glory. O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al -



mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God,



Son of the Father, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on



us. You take away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.



You are seated 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.

Salutation

P *The Lord be with you.*



C And with your spir - it.

Prayer of The Day

P *Let us pray:*

Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.



A - men.

-Be seated-

First Reading • *Genesis 27:1-10, 18-19, 24-29; 48:1-2, 15-16; 49:1-2, 8-10*

| Isaac blesses Jacob and Esau; Jacob blesses Joseph's sons. |

When Isaac was old and his eyes were so dim that he could hardly see, he called Esau his older son and said to him, “My son?”

He said to him, “I am here.”

²Isaac said, “Look, I am very old, and I do not know when I am going to die. ³So please take your gear, your quiver, and your bow, and go out to the open country, and get some wild game for me. ⁴Make me tasty food, the kind I love, and bring it to me, so that I may eat and I may bless you with all my soul before I die.”

⁵Rebekah had been listening when Isaac spoke to Esau his son. After Esau went to the open country to hunt for game and to bring it back, ⁶Rebekah spoke to Jacob her son and said, “Listen, I heard your father speak to Esau your brother and tell him, ⁷Bring me some wild game and make tasty food for me, that I may eat and give you a blessing from the Lord before my death.’ ⁸Therefore, my son, obey my voice and do what I am commanding you. ⁹Go now to the flock, and get me two of the best young goats. I will make them into tasty food for your father, the kind he loves. ¹⁰You will bring it to your father, so that he can eat it and bless you before his death.”

¹⁸He came to his father and said, “My father?”

He said, “I am here. Who are you, my son?”

¹⁹Jacob said to his father, “I am Esau your firstborn. I have done what you asked me to do. Please get up, and sit here and eat some of my wild game, so that you may bless me with all your soul.”

²⁴But he asked again, “Are you really my son Esau?”

He said, “I am.”

²⁵He said, “Bring it to me, and I will eat some of my son’s wild game, so that I may bless you.”

Jacob brought it to him, and he ate. He brought him wine, and he drank. ²⁶His father Isaac said to him, “Come near now, and kiss me, my son.” ²⁷He came near and kissed him. He smelled his clothing, so he blessed him and said:

Yes, the smell of my son is the smell of the open field
that the LORD has blessed.

²⁸ May God give you the dew from the sky,
the richness of the earth,
and plenty of grain and new wine.

²⁹ Let peoples serve you,
and nations bow down to you.
Be lord over your brothers.
Let your mother's sons bow down to you.
Cursed be everyone who curses you.
Blessed be everyone who blesses you.

^{48:1} Sometime after these things Joseph was told, "Come right away. Your father is sick."
So he took his two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim, with him. ² Jacob was told, "Look, your son Joseph is coming to you," so Israel gathered his strength and sat up on the bed.

¹⁵ He blessed Joseph and said,
May the God before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac walked,
the God who has been my shepherd all my life to this day,
¹⁶ the Angel who has redeemed me from all evil,
bless these lads,
and let my name be placed on them,
and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac.
Let them grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth.

^{49:1} Jacob called his sons and said, "Gather together, so that I can declare to you what will happen to you in the days to come."

² Assemble together, and listen to this, you sons of Jacob.
Listen to Israel, your father.

⁸ Judah, your brothers will praise you.
Your hand will be on the throat of your enemies.
Your father's sons will bow down to you.

⁹ Judah is a lion's cub.
You have gone up from the prey, my son.
He stooped down. He crouched like a lion.
He is like a lioness. Who will provoke him?

¹⁰ The scepter will not depart from Judah,
nor the ruler's staff from between his feet,
until the one to whom it belongs comes.
He will receive the obedience of the peoples.

Second Reading • Hebrews 11:1,20-21

| By faith, Isaac and Jacob blessed their descendants. |

Faith is being sure about what we hope for, being convinced about things we do not see.

²⁰ By faith Isaac also blessed Jacob and Esau about things that were going to happen.

²¹ By faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed each of Joseph's sons and worshipped as he leaned on the top of his staff.

-Stand-

Gospel Acclamation

Hebrews 12:2

☐ *Alleluia. Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, who is the author of our faith and the one who brings it to its goal. Alleluia.*



☐ Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Gospel • Luke 18:15-17

☐ *The holy Gospel is written in the eighteenth chapter of the Gospel according to St. Luke, beginning at the fifteenth verse.*



☐ Glo - ry be to You, O Lord!

| "Let the little children come to me." |

People were bringing even their babies to Jesus, so that he would touch them. When the disciples saw this, they began to rebuke them. ¹⁶ But Jesus invited them, saying, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to

such as these.¹⁷ Amen I tell you: Whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.”

Ⓟ *Here ends the Gospel.*



☐ Praise be to You, O Christ!

Confession of Faith ~ 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 worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of 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 is seated at the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom shall 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 remission of sins, and I look for the Resurrection of the dead, and the Life of the world to come. Amen.

-Be seated-

Chief Hymn • “Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds”

[CW93 512]

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| <p>1. Let children hear the mighty deeds
Which God performed of old,
Which in our younger years we saw,
And which our fathers told.</p> | <p>2. Make unto them his glories known,
His works of pow’r and grace,
And we’ll convey his wonders down
Through ev’ry rising race.</p> |
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3. Our lips shall tell them to our sons
And they again to theirs
That generations yet unborn
May teach them to their heirs.

4. Oh, teach them with all diligence
The truths of God's own Word,
To place in him their confidence,
To fear and trust their Lord,

5. To learn that in our God alone
Their hope securely stands,
That they may ne'er forget his works,
But walk in his commands.

Sermon • Hebrews 11:20-21

By Faith... Isaac and Jacob

-Stand-

Offertory Psalm



Create in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir-it
 with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Your presence and take not Your
 Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un-to me the joy of Your sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Your free Spir-it. A - men.

-Be seated-

Offering

Prayer of the Church

-Stand-

Preface

P *The Lord be with you.*



C And with your spir - it.

P *Lift up your hearts.*



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

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



C It is good and right so to do.

Preface for the Season

P *It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:*

Sanctus



A Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of Sab - a - oth; Heav'n and



earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the



high-est. Blessed is He, blessed 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.

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.*



A For Thine is the kingdom and the pow'r and the



glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er A - men.

Words of Institution

☐ *Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples saying: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."*

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink of it all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you and for many, for the remission of sins. This do as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

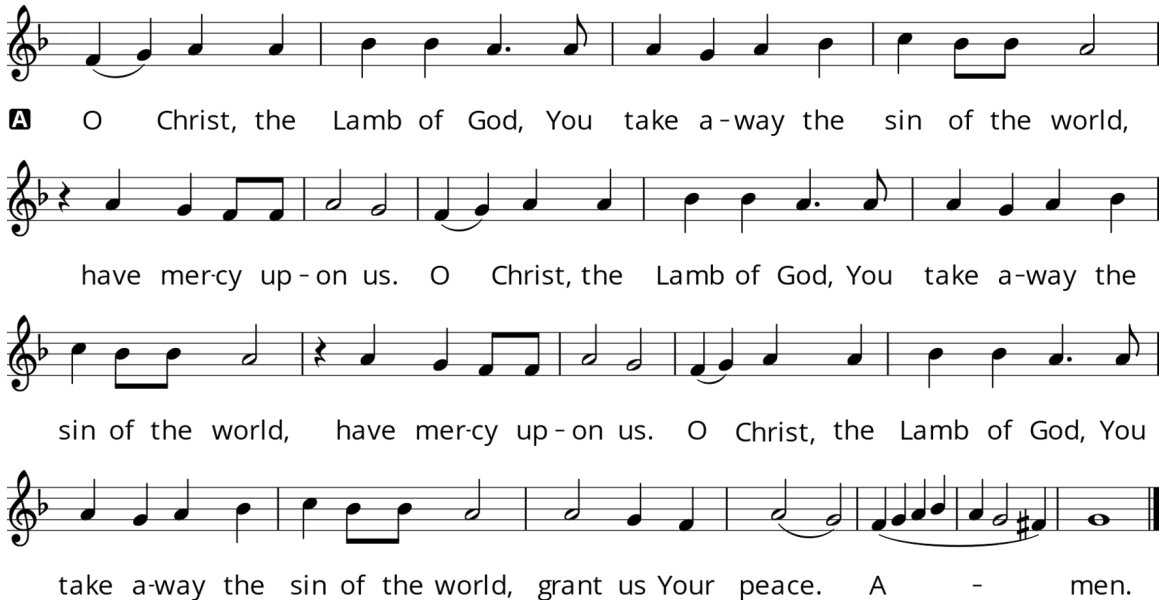
Pax Domini

☐ *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*



C A - - - men.

Agnus Dei



A O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world,
have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, the Lamb of God, You
take a-way the sin of the world, grant us Your peace. A - men.

-Be seated-

Distribution

Guests, please read and take note of the explanation of our Communion practice on page 2 in this service folder.

Hymn • “Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord”

[CW93 309]

1. Draw near and take the body of the Lord,
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured.
Offered was he for greatest and for least,
Himself the victim and himself the priest.
2. He that his saints in this world rules and shields
To all believers life eternal yields,
With heav’nly bread makes them that hunger whole,
Gives living waters to the thirsty soul.
3. Come forward, then, with faithful hearts sincere,
And take the pledges of salvation here.
Before your altar, Lord, your servants bow;
In this your feast of love be with us now.

Hymn • “I Love to Tell the Story”

[CW93 562]

1. I love to tell the story Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and his glory, Of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story Because I know it's true;
It satisfies my longings As nothing else can do.
I love to tell the story; 'Twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and his love.
2. I love to tell the story, For those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting To hear it like the rest.
And when in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story That I have loved so long.
I love to tell the story; 'Twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and his love.

Hymn • “On Galilee’s High Mountain”

[CW93 557]

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| <p>1. On Galilee’s high mountain
Christ gave the great command
In words of strength and promise
Which all can understand:
“All pow’r to me is given
To do what I shall choose.
Therefore I send my children;
Their witness I will use.”</p> | <p>3. His strength within my weakness
Will make me bold to say
How his redeeming power
Transforms my stubborn clay.
His touch of fire ignites me;
With courage I am sent,
My tongue-tied silence broken,
With grace made eloquent.</p> |
| <p>2. The Lord, who, born of Mary,
Came down as man and died,
Who preached to all who listened,
For us was crucified.
This Lord, our living brother,
In pow’r at God’s right hand
Has chosen us to carry
His truth to ev’ry land.</p> | <p>4. And not alone to nations
In faraway retreats,
But ev’rywhere I broadcast
His love through crowded streets.
The lives that my life touches,
However great or small—
Let them through me see Jesus,
Who served and saved us all.</p> |

5. Lord, gather all your children,
 Wherever they may be,
 And lead them on to heaven
 To live eternally
 With you, our loving Father,
 And Christ, our brother dear,
 Whose Spirit guards and gives us
 The joy to persevere.

-Stand-

Nunc Dimittis



The musical score for "Nunc Dimittis" is written on six staves of music. The melody is in G major and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the staves, with some words hyphenated across lines. The score begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: "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 people, A light to light - en the Gen-tiles and the glo - ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ev-ershall be, for - ev-ermore. A - men."

A Lord, now You let Your servant de - part in peace ac - cord-ing to Your
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 Gen-tiles and the glo - ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo-ry
 be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it
 was in the beginning, is now, and ev-ershall be, for - ev-ermore. A - men.

Communion Verse

P *O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.*



C And His mercy en - dures for-ev - er.

Collect of Thanksgiving

P *O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in lovingkindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. We ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You. We pray this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.*



C A - men.

Benediction

P *The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace ☩.*



C A - men, a - men, a - men.

-Be seated-

Closing Hymn • "I Pray You, Dear Lord Jesus"

[CW93 510]

**I pray you, dear Lord Jesus, My heart to keep and train
That I your holy temple From youth to age remain.
Oh, turn my thoughts forever From worldly wisdom's lore.
If I but learn to know you, I shall not want for more.**

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