

Grace Lutheran Church

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Opening Hymn

CW93(RED): #201 A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

**1 A mighty fortress is our God,
A trusty shield and weapon;
He helps us free from ev'ry need
That has us now o'ertaken.
The old evil foe
Now means deadly woe;
Deep guile and great might
Are his dread arms in fight;
On earth is not his equal.**

**2 With might of ours can naught be done;
Soon were our loss effected.
But for us fights the valiant one
Whom God himself elected.
You ask, "Who is this?"
Jesus Christ it is,
The almighty Lord.
And there's no other God;
He holds the field forever.**

**3 Though devils all the world should fill
All eager to devour us,
We tremble not, we fear no ill;
They shall not overpower us.
This world's prince may still
Scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none.
He's judged; the deed is done!
One little word can fell him.**

PLEASE STAND

**4 The Word they still shall let remain,
Nor any thanks have for it;
He's by our side upon the plain
With his good gifts and Spirit.
And do what they will –
Hate, steal, hurt, or kill –
Though all may be gone,
Our victory is won;
The kingdom's ours forever!**

Invocation

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

C: **Amen.**

Confession of Sins

The responsive confession includes portions of Luther's 95 Theses and responses from Scripture.

M: When our Lord and Master Jesus Christ said, "Repent," he willed the entire life of believers to be one of repentance. (Thesis 1)

C: **Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.** (Psalm 51:1-2)

M: Any truly repentant Christian has a right to full remission of penalty and guilt, even without letters of pardon. (Thesis 36)

C: **There is no difference, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement, through faith in his blood.** (Romans 3:22b-25a)

M: The true treasure of the Church is the Most Holy Gospel of the glory and grace of God. (Thesis 62)

C: **Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God.** (Romans 5:1)

Absolution

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ, and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm, and steadfast. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.** (1 Peter 5:10-11)

The Te Deum Laudamus

"YOU, GOD, WE PRAISE"

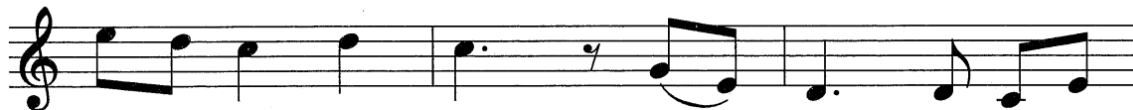
Martin Luther held up the "Te Deum Laudamus" alongside the three great creeds as a confession of the Christian faith. In singing the "Te Deum," we reflect our ancient heritage.



1 We ___ praise You and ac-knowl-edge You, O God, to be the
2 The ___ band of the a - pos - tles in glo - ry sing Your
3 You, _ Christ, are King of glo - ry, the ev - er - last - ing
4 You ___ sit in splen-did glo - ry, en - throned at God's right



Lord, The ___ Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing, by
praise; The ___ fel - low - ship of proph - ets their
Son, Yet ___ You, with bound-less love, _ sought to
hand, Up - hold - ing earth and heav - en by



all the earth a - dored. To ___ You all an - gel
death-less voic - es raise. The ___ mar - tyrs of Your
res - cue ev - 'ry - one: You ___ laid a - side Your
forc - es You com - mand. We ___ know that You will



pow - ers cry a - loud, the heav - ens sing, The ___
king - dom, a ___ great and no - ble throng, Sing ___
glo - ry, were ___ born of vir - gin's womb, Were _
come as our ___ Judge that fi - nal day, So ___



cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim their prais - es to You
 with the ho - ly Church through - out all the world this
 cru - ci - fied for us ___ and were placed in - to a
 help Your ser - vants You ___ have re - deemed by blood, we



bring: "O ___ ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord
 song: "O ___ all - ma - jes - tic Fa - ther, Your
 tomb; Then _ by Your res - ur - rec - tion You
 pray; May _ we with saints be num - bered where



God of Sab - a - oth; Your _ maj - es - ty and
 true and on - ly Son, And _ Ho - ly Spir - it,
 won for us re - prieve— You _ o - pened heav - en's
 prais - es nev - er end, In ___ glo - ry ev - er -



glo - ry fill the heav - ens and the earth!"
 Com - fort - er— for - ev - er Three in One!"
 king - dom to all who would be - lieve.
 last - ing. A - men, O Lord, a - men!

The Prayer of the Day

M: Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The Word

The First Lesson

DANIEL 3:16-28

¹⁶ Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to him, “King Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter. ¹⁷ If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty’s hand. ¹⁸ But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.”

¹⁹ Then Nebuchadnezzar was furious with Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, and his attitude toward them changed. He ordered the furnace heated seven times hotter than usual ²⁰ and commanded some of the strongest soldiers in his army to tie up Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego and throw them into the blazing furnace. ²¹ So these men, wearing their robes, trousers, turbans and other clothes, were bound and thrown into the blazing furnace. ²² The king’s command was so urgent and the furnace so hot that the flames of the fire killed the soldiers who took up Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, ²³ and these three men, firmly tied, fell into the blazing furnace.

²⁴ Then King Nebuchadnezzar leaped to his feet in amazement and asked his advisers, “Weren’t there three men that we tied up and threw into the fire?”

They replied, “Certainly, Your Majesty.”

²⁵ He said, “Look! I see four men walking around in the fire, unbound and unharmed, and the fourth looks like a son of the gods.”

²⁶ Nebuchadnezzar then approached the opening of the blazing furnace and shouted, “Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out! Come here!”

So Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego came out of the fire, ²⁷ and the satraps, prefects, governors and royal advisers crowded around them. They saw that the fire had not harmed their bodies, nor was a hair of their heads singed; their robes were not scorched, and there was no smell of fire on them.

²⁸ Then Nebuchadnezzar said, “Praise be to the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, who has sent his angel and rescued his servants! They trusted in him and defied the king’s command and were willing to give up their lives rather than serve or worship any god except their own God.

Psalm of the Day

PSALM 46 (RED PG 84)

The choir will chant the verses, while the congregation is asked to sing the Refrain and Gloria Patri.

C: The Mighty Lord is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

The Second Lesson

REVELATION 14:6,7

⁶ Then I saw another angel flying in midair, and he had the eternal gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth—to every nation, tribe, language and people. ⁷ He said in a loud voice, “Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come. Worship him who made the heavens, the earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

Verse of the Day

JOHN 8:31

Alleluia. If you continue in my Word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free. Alleluia.

The Gospel Lesson

MARK 13:5-11

⁵ Jesus said to them: “Watch out that no one deceives you. ⁶ Many will come in my name, claiming, ‘I am he,’ and will deceive many. ⁷ When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. ⁸ Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places, and famines. These are the beginning of birth pains.

⁹ “You must be on your guard. You will be handed over to the local councils and flogged in the synagogues. On account of me you will stand before governors and kings as witnesses to them. ¹⁰ And the gospel must first be preached to all nations. ¹¹ Whenever you are arrested and brought to trial, do not worry beforehand about what to say. Just say whatever is given you at the time, for it is not you speaking, but the Holy Spirit.

Lord, open now my heart to hear,
And through your Word to me draw near.
Let me your Word e'er pure retain;
Let me your child and heir remain.

Your Word inspires my heart within;
Your Word grants healing from my sin.
Your Word has pow'r to guide and bless;
Your Word brings peace and happiness.

To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One,
Shall glory, praise, and honor be
Now and throughout eternity.

The Sermon

REVELATION 14:6,7

IS IT OKAY WITH YOU IF GOD IS GOD?

Our Thanksgiving

The Offering

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Hymn

CW21(BLUE) #640 GOD'S WORD IS OUR GREAT HERITAGE

God's Word is our great heritage
And shall be ours forever;
To spread its light from age to age
Shall be our chief endeavor.
Through life it guides our way;
In death it is our stay.
Lord, grant, while worlds endure,
We keep its teachings pure
Throughout all generations.

The LORD's Prayer

**C: 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**

The Benediction

**M: 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: Amen.**

Closing Hymn

CW21 (BLUE) #630 THY STRONG WORD

**Thy strong word did cleave the darkness;
At thy speaking it was done.
For created light we thank thee
While thine ordered seasons run.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia without end!**

**Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness,
Dark as night and deep as death,
Broke the light of thy salvation,
Breathed thine own life-giving breath.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia without end!**

**Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous;
Bright with thine own holiness,
Glorious now, we press toward glory,
And our lives our hope confess.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia without end!**

**From the cross thy wisdom shining
Breaketh forth in conqu'ring might;
From the cross forever beameth
All thy bright redeeming light.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia without end!**

**Give us lips to sing thy glory,
Tongues thy mercy to proclaim,
Throats to shout the hope that fills us,
Mouths to speak thy holy name.
Alleluia! Alleluia! May the light which thou dost send
Fill our songs with alleluias, Alleluias without end!**

**God the Father, light-creator,
To thee laud and honor be.
To thee, Light from Light begotten,
Praise be sung eternally.
Holy Spirit, light-revealer, Glory, glory be to thee.
Mortals, angels, now and ever praise the holy Trinity!**