

# Confession and Absolution

## 765 God Moves in a Mysterious Way

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto 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 heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto 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 unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

## Service of the Word

### Introit

*Psalm 34:4–8; antiphon: v. 1*

I will bless the LORD at | all times;\*  
his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.  
I sought the LORD, and he | answered me\*  
and delivered me from | all my fears.  
Those who look to him are | radiant,\*  
and their faces shall never | be ashamed.  
This poor man cried, and the LORD | heard him\*

and saved him out of all his | troubles.  
 The angel of the LORD encamps around those who | fear him,\*  
 and de- | livers them.  
 Oh, taste and see that the | LORD is good!\*  
 Blessèd is the man who takes ref- | uge in him!  
**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**  
 I will bless the LORD at | all times;\*  
 his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.

**C** Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther 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, world with - out end. A - men.

**Kyrie**

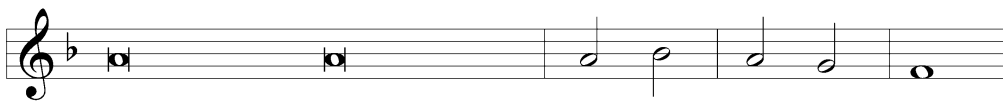
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**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
 on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

**Gloria in Excelsis**

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**P** Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward  
 men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



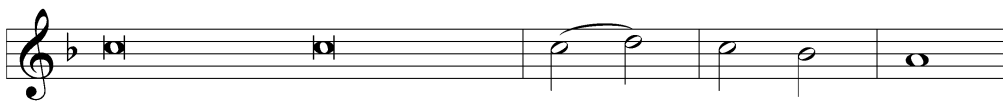
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



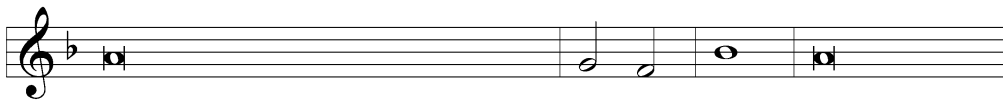
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



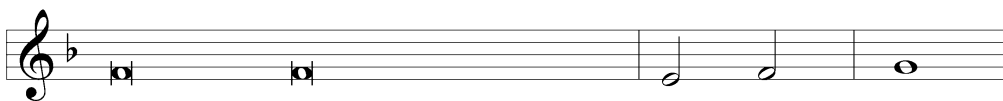
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.



☐ And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



☐ A - men.

## Old Testament Reading

*Job 38:4–18*

<sup>4</sup>[The Lord said to Job:] “Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

<sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

<sup>6</sup>On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone,

<sup>7</sup>when the morning stars sang together

and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

<sup>8</sup>“Or who shut in the sea with doors

when it burst out from the womb,

<sup>9</sup>when I made clouds its garment

and thick darkness its swaddling band,

<sup>10</sup>and prescribed limits for it

and set bars and doors,

<sup>11</sup>and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther,

and here shall your proud waves be stayed’?

<sup>12</sup>“Have you commanded the morning since your days began,

and caused the dawn to know its place,

<sup>13</sup>that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth,

and the wicked be shaken out of it?

<sup>14</sup>It is changed like clay under the seal,

and its features stand out like a garment.

<sup>15</sup>From the wicked their light is withheld,

and their uplifted arm is broken.

<sup>16</sup>“Have you entered into the springs of the sea,

or walked in the recesses of the deep?  
<sup>17</sup>Have the gates of death been revealed to you,  
or have you seen the gates of deep darkness?  
<sup>18</sup>Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth?  
Declare, if you know all this.”

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual

*Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.*

Fear the LORD, | you his saints,\*  
for those who fear him lack | nothing!  
Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,\*  
but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.

## Epistle

*Romans 10:5–17*

### The Message of Salvation to All

<sup>5</sup>Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. <sup>6</sup>But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) <sup>7</sup>or “‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). <sup>8</sup>But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup>because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup>For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup>For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

<sup>14</sup>But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? <sup>15</sup>And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” <sup>16</sup>But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” <sup>17</sup>So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

## Alleluia

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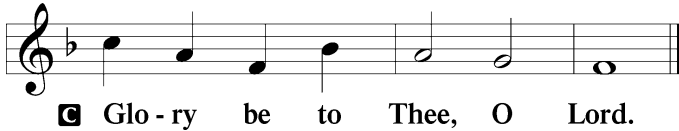


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## Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:22–33

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.



### Jesus Walks on the Water

<sup>22</sup>Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup>And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup>but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup>And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. <sup>26</sup>But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, “It is a ghost!” and they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup>But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, “**Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.**”

<sup>28</sup>And Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” <sup>29</sup>He said, “**Come.**” So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. <sup>30</sup>But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, “Lord, save me.” <sup>31</sup>Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, “**O you of little faith, why did you doubt?**” <sup>32</sup>And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup>And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



### Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven**

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## 715 Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

Sermon delivered by Pastor Ken Sinclair

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

## Offertory

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

## Offering

### Prayer of the Church

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P In thanksgiving for our bodies and souls, gifts of our glorious Creator, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P In lament for our sin, for death in this world and for the creation now subject to futility, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P In faith, for the forgiveness that Christ has won by His blood and for the new life of righteousness that comes from His grace, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the people of God, in whose hearts His Word dwells, that they may have courage to confess Christ before the world, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all pastors, church planters and congregations, that they might receive hope, renewal and endurance from God; and that fear would never keep us from the Word and Sacraments, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For trust in the Lord, that we may have confidence in all He has promised to bestow on us each day, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For preservation from all doubt and fear, that like Peter, we might be kept in the grasp of God's grace, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those in need, [*especially* \_\_\_\_\_,] that their hearts would not waver from Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all who come to the Lord's table, that we would be united in confession even as we are one at His table, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**



- P Gracious Lord, give ear to the prayers of Your people and lead us to trust in Your mercy without fear, that we may be confident that You will grant to us all things needful to us and our salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

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- 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.



- ☐ For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the



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

## Collect

Lord God, heavenly Father, the unfailing giver of every good gift, we implore You to dwell continually among us with Your holy Word and Sacraments, so that by Your grace we poor sinners may be turned to You and saved eternally; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## Benediction

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- P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
 The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and T give you peace.



- ☐ A-men, a-men, a - men.

## 576 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

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