

May 28, 2020 – School Closing Service – 10:00am Live Stream

Preaching: Rev. Dr. Evan Gaertner Liturgy: Rev. Woodfin Organ: Todd Sager

Invocation

- P** Come, let us worship, let our worship begin.
C We are friends of Jesus.
P Why are you here?
C We have come to worship our Savior Jesus. We have come to celebrate, to sing, and to pray. We have come to give thanks for faith, for friends, forever.
P How then shall we begin?
C In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
P As it was in the beginning?
C Yes! As it was in the beginning.
P As it is today?
C Yes! As it is today.
P As it shall be forever?
C Forever!
P Amen!
C Come, let us worship, let our worship begin!

507 Holy, Holy, Holy



1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore Thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide Thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee;
Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
Though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see,
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!
Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,
On - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
Which wert and art and ev - er - more shalt be.
Per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

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Litany of Confession and Forgiveness

- P** Dear Lord, we confess that we have sinned against You and one another.
C In Jesus' name, we confess our sins.
P We confess that we have not always been honest with our parents, teachers and others.
C Forgive us Lord, as we forgive one another.
P We confess that we have not always done our best.
C Forgive us Lord, as we forgive one another.
P We confess that we have not always shown proper respect to God and each other.
C Forgive us Lord, as we forgive one another.
P We confess that we have not always shown love for You and each other.
C Forgive us Lord, as we forgive one another.
P We celebrate the forgiveness that is ours in Christ Jesus.
C Amen. Hallelujah. Amen.

Psalm 23

The Lord Is My Shepherd

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

LSB 922 tune - Filled with Joy in Grace Abounding

2019-20 School Theme Song



1. Filled with joy, in grace a - bound - ing, hope - filled and awed,
2. When our lives are filled with glad - ness, let us give praise.
3. In Your word a - lone is sol - ace when - e'er we stray,
4. Where is peace, where grace, where mer - cy? Where shall we rest?
- △ 5. Ful - ly joy - ful, ev - er thank - ful, let prais - es swell.



We have come with praise re - dound - ing to You, O God! For the
 When our joys give way to sad - ness, help us to raise prayers that
 Seek - ing sin - ful path - ways, law - less, from Christ the Way. Still, the
 Where is wa - ter when we're thirs - ty, worn, or op - pressed? Borne in
 As we glo - ri - fy the Fath - er and ev - er tell, How God's



love You show - er on us and the peace that rests up - on us,
 speak of hope - filled sure - ness, in Your love and per - fect pure - ness,
 Ho - ly Spir - it sends us, faith in Christ, who al - ways tends us,
 God's own Liv - ing wa - ter, by grace, through faith, Christ the Pot - ter
 on - ly Son, Lord Je - sus, came to die and, ris - ing, frees us;



We, in cease - less, pray - ing chor - us thank You, O Lord!
 Lord, lead us to full ma - ture - ness in try - ing days
 As, in grace, He gen - tly bends us towards Him each day.
 Shapes each grace - filled son and daugh - ter for ev - 'ry test.
 Now, the Ho - ly Spir - it leads us with God to dwell.

Sermon

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.

Litany of Praise

- P** We praise You, God, for all those people who have touched our lives this school year.
- C** Thank you, God, for our leaders at church and school, our teachers and instructors, the cooks and good food, our friends, old and new, helpful parents, our new families, guest Chapel speakers, assemblies and team coaches.
- P** We praise You, God, for all those special times.
- C** Thank You, God, for enjoyable and safe field trips, Carols by Candlelight, plays and musicals, Lutheran Schools Week and Special Friends Day, the sharing of birthdays and baptismal anniversaries, and for life together. Amen.

Offering

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- Give online at <http://ourshepherd.net/give/>.
- Text the word "give" to 248-430-4403 and follow the link to complete.
- Mail your check to Our Shepherd, 2225 E. 14 Mile, Birmingham MI 48009

Prayers

- P** We come to the Lord in prayer.
- C** Thank You, Lord, for helping us to grow physically, mentally, socially and spiritually.
- P** We pray for the gift of Our Shepherd Lutheran School.
- C** Bless those who teach, learn, cook, clean, organize, volunteer and support us here.
- P** We pray for those who graduate.
- C** Bless our graduates with Your continued guidance, protection and love.
- P** We pray for those who lovingly surround us with their care and support.
- C** Bless our pastors, principal, teachers, administrators, parents, grandparents and family members who serve as models and Christian examples.
- P** We pray for our country and those who serve.
- C** Protect our country and those who fight for liberty and freedom, the President, the Congress, the police and fire departments.
- P** We pray that we may continue to grow.
- C** Fill us with the power of the Spirit that we may see Your peace living and growing in Your love. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

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.

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 upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

Presentation of Awards and Recognition

Janet McLoughlin

924 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

1 Lord, dis - miss us with Your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For Your Gos - pel's

joy and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,
joy - ful sound. May the fruits of Your sal - va - tion

Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us;
In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,

O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
ev - er faith - ful To Your truth may we be found.

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