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§ A Heartfelt Welcome To Our Guests §

Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church (FELC). We're pleased you've come to receive the blessings our Lord gives in the Divine Service. Please help us get to know you and record your attendance by signing the red record of fellowship book as it is passed down the pew and/or the guest book in the narthex. Most Sundays we host refreshments after the service. Please join us downstairs in the Parish Fellowship. This is a great way to get to know the members of the family of FELC.

Holy Communion Announcement

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Faith in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. They show forth His death until He comes. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and so are unable to receive the Sacrament are invited to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when divisions will have ceased.

How Can We Help You? We want your visit to be a blessing to you and strive to be as user friendly as possible. Our pastor is also available for pastoral care whether you're here for a week, months, years, or permanently. Faith is a member of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Those Serving May 12th at Faith

Organist	Mary Jones
Acolyte	Tristan Boerner and
	Anthony Cortesini
Altar Guild	Flori Scheuermann
Ushers	Dan & Kassy Boorom,
	Stephen & Connie Lund

Asst. Minister	Paul Clark
Greeters	Bill & Irene Leitgeb
Refreshments	
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Confession and Absolution

Please rise. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation LSB 151

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

perhaps using the Ten Commandments to examine specific sins committed in thought, word, and deed.

Parishioners observe a moment of silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination,

Confession of Sins LSB 151

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Absolution LSB 151

- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

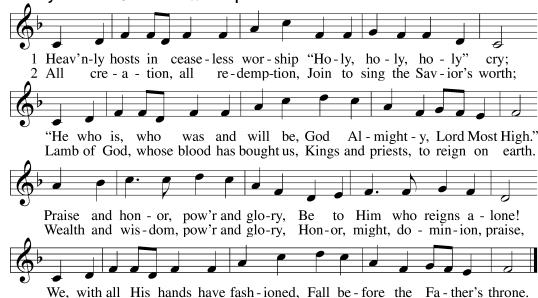
Service of the Word

Easter Acclamation

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- **C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

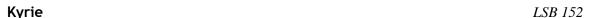
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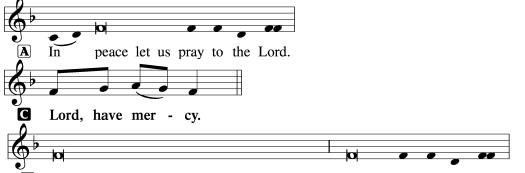
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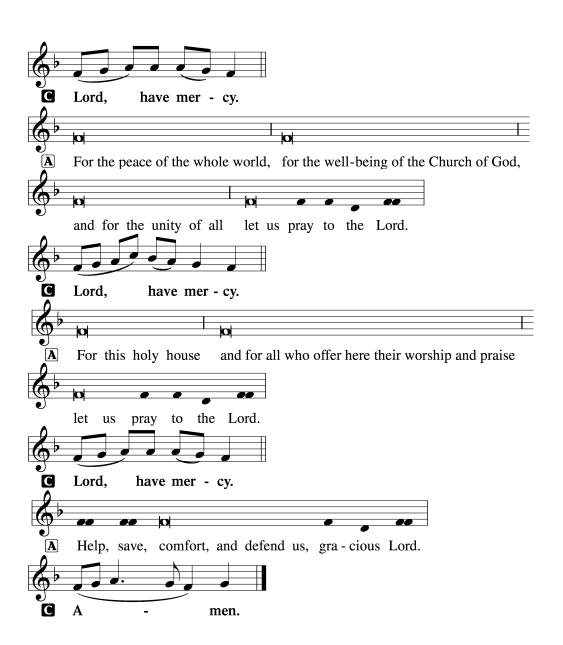
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His crea - tures And to ev - er - last - ing





For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



This Is the Feast LSB 155



Salutation and Collect of the Day



Let us pray...Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be seated

Choir Anthem God is for Us Richard Gieseke

First Lesson Acts 20:17–35

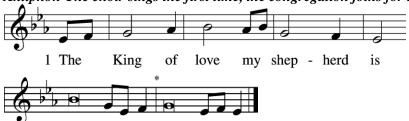
¹⁷Now from Miletus [Paul] sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. ¹⁸And when they came to him, he said to them:

"You vourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, ¹⁹ serving the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; ²⁰how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, ²¹testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. ²²And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, ²³except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. ²⁴But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God, ²⁵And now, behold. I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. ²⁶Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all of you, ²⁷ for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. ²⁸Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. ²⁹I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; ³⁰and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. ³¹Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. ³²And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. ³³I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. ³⁴You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. ³⁵In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive."

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

Psalm 23

Antiphon-The choir sings the first time, the congregation joins for the second time



Antiphon

Choir- ¹ The LORD is my | shepherd;*

I | shall not want.

² He makes me lie down in green | pastures.* He leads me beside still | waters.

³ He re- | stores my soul.*

He leads me in paths of righteousness for his | name's sake.

⁴ 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.

- 5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my | enemies;* you anoint my head with oil; my cup | overflows.
- ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,* and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for- | ever.

All- 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. Antiphon

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Epistle Revelation 7:9–17

⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and

the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵"Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

¹⁶They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them.

nor any scorching heat.

¹⁷For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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

Please rise





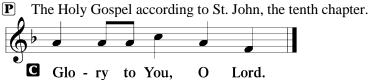
We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. Alleluia. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me.

**Romans 6:9; John 10:14*



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Holy Gospel John 10:22–30



²²At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly." ²⁵Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me, ²⁶but you do not believe because you are not part of my flock. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. ³⁰I and the Father are one."



Please be seated





- 5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth; And, oh, what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth!
- And so through all the length of days
 Thy goodness faileth never;
 Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise
 Within Thy house forever!

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Sermon

Please rise

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.

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He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will 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 in 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.

Prayer of the Church

A O Lord,
A O Christ,
A O Lord,
C have mercy.
have mercy.
have mercy.

- **A** Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,
- C hear us.
- A Paschal Lamb, who was offered for us and has taken away the sin of the world,
- C have mercy on us.

- A Who was crucified for our transgressions and raised for our justification,
- C have mercy on us.
- A Who foretold Your passion saying, "The Son of Man must be crucified and on the third day rise again,"
- **C** have mercy on us.
- A Who destroyed death by dying, and by rising to life again brought life and immortality to light,
- **C** have mercy on us.
- A Whose resurrection was first announced by an angel to the women,
- C have mercy on us.
- A Who appeared to Mary Magdalene and was worshiped by her,
- **C** have mercy on us.
- Mho revealed Yourself to the two disciples on the Emmaus road and made Yourself known to them in the Scriptures and in the breaking of the bread,
- **C** have mercy on us.
- A Who appeared to the disciples, bestowing on them Your peace and Your Spirit,
- C have mercy on us.
- A Who showed Your wounded hands and side to the apostle Thomas that he too might believe,
- C have mercy on us.
- A Who appeared to seven disciples on the Sea of Tiberias, bringing a miraculous catch of fish.
- **C** have mercy on us.
- Mean Who appeared to Peter and to the Twelve, to over 500 disciples, to James and to all the apostles, and to Paul on the Damascus road,
- **C** have mercy on us.
- (A) Who commissioned Your Church to make disciples of all nations by baptizing and teaching them,
- **C** have mercy on us.
- A By Your glorious resurrection from the dead,
- **C** good Lord, deliver us.
- **A** By Your victory over sin and death,
- **©** good Lord, deliver us.
- **A** By the majesty of Your risen body,
- **©** good Lord, deliver us.
- **A** We poor sinners implore You
- **C** to hear us, Lord Jesus.
- A That we may daily die and rise with You in our Baptism and walk in the freedom of Your forgiveness,
- grant us, good Lord.
- A That we may set our minds on things above and not on earthly things, serving others as we have been served by You,
- grant us, good Lord.

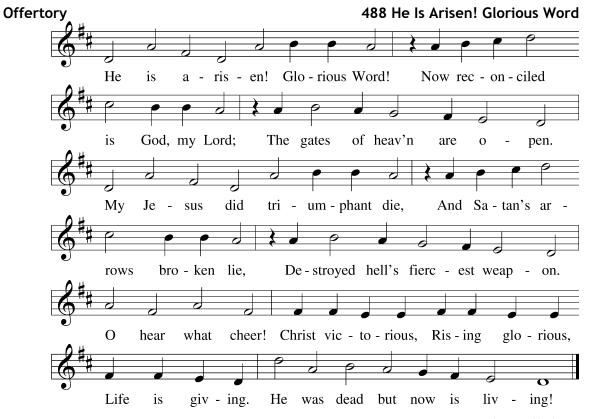
- A That we may dwell with You forever in the new creation as citizens of the heavenly Jerusalem, together with all the saints,
- **C** grant us, good Lord.
- A Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- **C** have mercy on us.
- A Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- **C** have mercy on us.
- A Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- **C** grant us Your peace.
- A O Lord,
- A O Christ,
- **A** O Lord,

- **C** have mercy.
- **C** have mercy.
- **C** have mercy. Amen.

Please be seated

Offering

Please rise



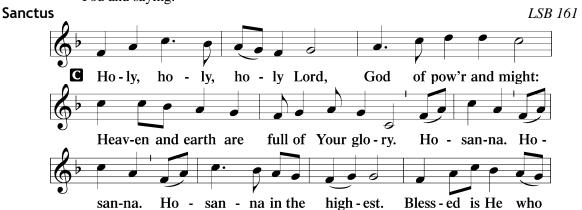
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Service of the Sacrament



Proper Preface

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:





Prayer of Thanksgiving

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Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "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, and when He had given thanks, He 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 for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Proclamation of Christ

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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

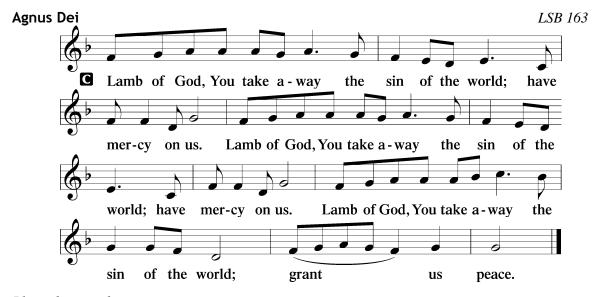
who trespass against us:

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.



Following the Pax Domini, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in *the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).*



Please be seated

Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive.

Communing at Faith

Please refer to our communion statement on page 2.

711 Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us 1 Say - ior. like a shep - herd lead Much we us; 2 We love are Yours: in be - friend us, Be the 3 You re - ceive Poor have prom - ised to us, and 4 Ear let seek Your fa Ear - ly - lv us vor, need Your ten - der care. In Your pleas - ant pas - tures Keep guard - ian of our way; Your flock, from sin de mer - cy sin - ful though we be: You have to re will; let us do Your Bless - ed Lord and on - ly feed For Your fold us, our use pre - pare. Seek fend us, us when we go a - stray. lieve Grace cleanse, and pow'r us. to to free. Sav ior, With Your love our spir - its fill. Bless - ed Je bless - ed Je sus, You have sus, Bless - ed bless - ed Je sus, Je sus, Hear us Bless - ed Je bless - ed Je sus, Ear - ly sus, You have Bless - ed Je bless - ed Je sus, sus, bought Yours. Bless - ed us; we are Je - sus, chil when Bless - ed dren Je - sus, we pray.

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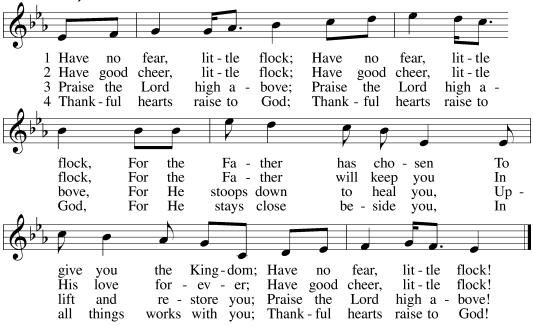
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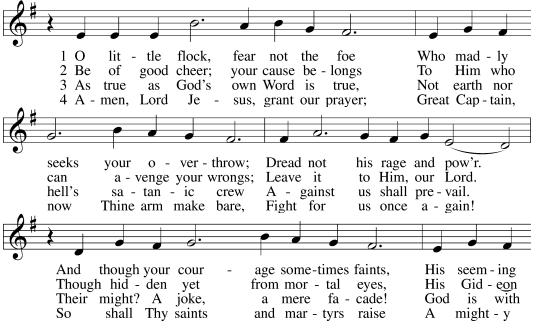
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735 Have No Fear, Little Flock



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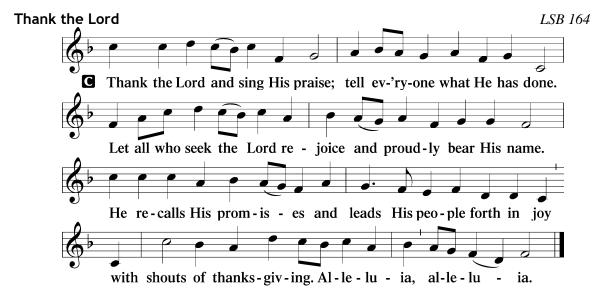
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Please rise

The Dismissal

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

 → in peace.
- C Amen.

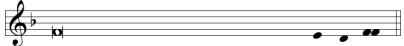


Post-Communion Collect

Let us pray....Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benediction LSB 166



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.



Please be seated





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