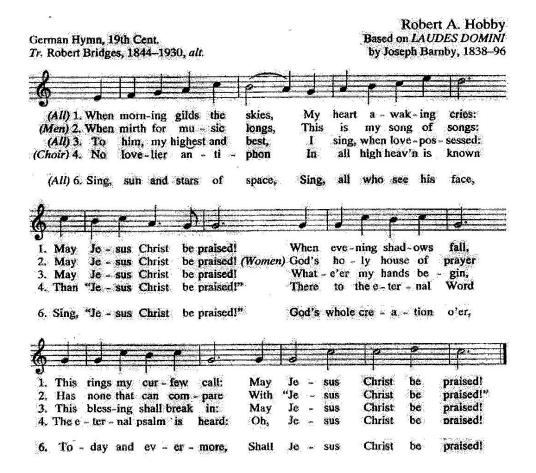
OPENING PRAYER

HYMN

"When Morning Gilds the Skies" - LSB 807



+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

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

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: I cry to You, O Lord;

People: in the morning my prayer comes before You. Psalm 88:13

Pastor: Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,

People: and uphold me with a willing spirit. *Psalm 51:12*

Pastor: My mouth is filled with Your praise,

People: and with Your glory all the day. Psalm 71:8

Pastor: Every day I will bless You

People: and praise Your name forever and ever. *Psalm 145:2*

Pastor: By awesome deeds You answer us with righteousness,

People: O God of our salvation, the hope of all the ends of the earth and of

the farthest seas. Psalm 65:5

Pastor: Bless the Lord, O my soul;

People: and all that is within me, bless His holy name! Psalm 103:1

Pastor: He redeems Your life from the pit

People: and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy. Psalm 103:4

Pastor: Hear my prayer, O Lord;

People: let my cry come to You. Psalm 102:1

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Pastor: Let us pray together.

People: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead

us to everlasting life. Amen.

Pastor: 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

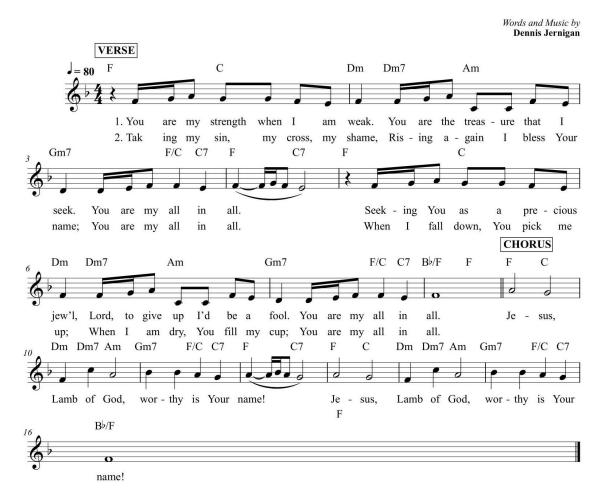
name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my

heart be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my strength and my

Redeemer. Amen.

"You Are My All in All" - BOB 243



COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: Almighty and eternal God, Your Son Jesus triumphed over the prince

of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do Your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the

Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

OLD TESTAMENT: DEUTERONOMY 6:1-9

"This is the command—the statutes and ordinances—the LORD your God has commanded me to teach you, so that you may follow them in the land you are about to enter and possess. ² Do this so that you may fear the LORD your God all the days of your life by keeping all his statutes and commands I am giving you, your son, and your grandson, and so that you may have a long life. ³ Listen, Israel, and be careful to follow them, so that you may prosper and multiply greatly, because the LORD, the God of your ancestors, has promised you a land flowing with milk and honey.

⁴ "Listen, Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ⁵ Love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. ⁶ These words that I am giving you today are to be in your heart. ⁷ Repeat them to your children. Talk about them when you sit in your house and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. ⁸ Bind them as a sign on your hand and let them be a symbol on your forehead. ⁹ Write them on the doorposts of your house and on your city gates." (CSB)

NEW TESTAMENT: GALATIANS 2:16-21

Yet because we know that a person is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we ourselves have believed in Christ Jesus. This was so that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law, because by the works of the law no human being will be justified. ¹⁷ But if we ourselves are also found to be "sinners" while seeking to be justified by Christ, is Christ then a promoter of sin? Absolutely not! ¹⁸ If I rebuild those things that I tore down, I show myself to be a lawbreaker. ¹⁹ For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live for God. ²⁰ I have been crucified with Christ, and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. ²¹ I do not set aside the grace of God, for if righteousness comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing. *(CSB)*

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

"<u>Open the Eyes of my Heart</u>" – BOB 180



THE HOLY GOSPEL: MARK 2:1-12

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 2nd chapter.

When Jesus entered Capernaum again after some days, it was reported that he was at home. ² So many people gathered together that there was no more room, not even in the doorway, and he was speaking the word to them. ³ They came to him bringing a paralytic, carried by four of them. ⁴ Since they were not able to bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him, and after digging through it, they lowered the mat on which the paralytic was lying. ⁵ Seeing their faith, Jesus told the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven."

⁶ But some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts: ⁷ "Why does he speak like this? He's blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?"

⁸ Right away Jesus perceived in his spirit that they were thinking like this within themselves and said to them, "Why are you thinking these things in your hearts?
⁹ Which is easier: to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up, take your mat, and walk'? ¹⁰ But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he told the paralytic— ¹¹ "I tell you: get up, take your mat, and go home."

 12 Immediately he got up, took the mat, and went out in front of everyone. As a result, they were all astounded and gave glory to God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

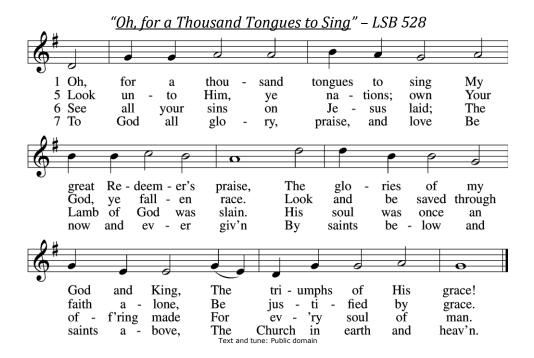
People: Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES CREED

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.



THE SERMON

Hebrews 10:24-25: "Let us consider one another in order to provoke love and good works, ²⁵ not neglecting to gather together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging each other, and all the more as you see the day approaching."

CHOIR ANTHEM "Be Thou My Vision" John Leavitt

Stand.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

O God, hear the prayers and petitions of Your people. We do not make requests of You because we are righteous, but because of Your great mercy (Daniel 9:18). Sit.

OFFERTORY "Be still, and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

The Offertory is a brief musical interlude in keeping with the theme of today's worship. You may choose to use this moment to consider how to support Zion's ministries and mission, either through the collection plate as you exit the church or electronically on our web site: zionhinsdale.org. Click "On-Line Giving" at the top of the home page. Your prayerful support along with your tithes and offerings help further Zion's ministries and are most appreciated. To God be the glory!

"How Great Thou Art - How Great Is Our God"

FAREWELL & GODSPEED Rev. Dr. Allan Buss, Northern Illinois District President

THE 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.

BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God!

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.



POSTLUDE

Serving in Worship today:

Pastor Klein

Elder: Steve Swenson

Music Director: Samantha Rose Minister of Music: Kathleen Rose

Mixed Choir, Praise Team

Instrumentalists: Matthew Jarosch, Monica Steiner, Sam Veren, Cheldon White

Vocalist: Terence Swims

Evangelism: Winning and keeping souls for Christ!

The word evangelism means *bringing good news*. Evangelism is the way in which the saving words and works of the Lord Jesus are shared with people everywhere and it strives to help everyone grow in faith, hope, and love. This process includes evangelizing both those who are already members of the church, as well as reaching out to those who do not yet know the Lord or who no longer practice their faith.

The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life, and he who wins souls is wise. Proverbs 11:30

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