

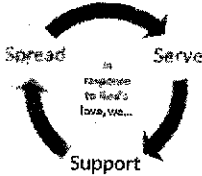
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NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Order of Worship –9:00 AM
+ Service of Holy Communion +
Divine Service, Setting Three (LSB)

AS WE GATHER – *The last lines of today's Gospel offer us a sober and haunting question: When the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on earth? The problem does not lie with a God who wavers in His love for us but with our own fickle hearts, our doubts and fears. Today the Lord calls us to persist in the faith and to endure the struggles and sorrows of this life with confidence that God is on our side. As we look up to the cross that adorns our sanctuary, we see there the unmistakable sign of God's love, affection, and saving will. Therefore, we will pray with confidence and will not lose heart, for the Lord will keep His promises.*

PRESERVICE MUSIC “Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ” by Jeffrey Blersch

WELCOME

[Please fill out prayer request cards.]

[♯Means please stand; ♪Means please be seated]

♯OPENING HYMN

Word of God, Come Down on Earth

LSB 545



1 Word of God, come down on earth, Liv - ing rain from
2 Word e - ter - nal, throned on high, Word that brought to
3 Word that caused blind eyes to see, Speak and heal our
4 Word that speaks God's ten - der love, One with God be -



heav'n de - scend - ing; Touch our hearts and bring to birth
life cre - a - tion, Word that came from heav'n to die,
mor - tal blind - ness; Deaf we are: our heal - er be;
yond all tell - ing, Word that sends us from a - bove,

(continued)

Faith and hope and love un - end - ing, Word al - might - y,
 Cru - ci - fied for our sal - va - tion, Sav - ing Word, the
 Loose our tongues to tell Your kind - ness. Be our Word in
 God the Spir - it, with us dwell - ing, Word of truth, to
 we re - vere You; Word made flesh, we long to hear You.
 world re - stor - ing, Speak to us, Your love out - pour - ing.
 pit - y spo - ken, Heal the world, by sin now bro - ken.
 all truth lead us; Word of life, with one bread feed us.

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INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

- P** *In the name of the Father and of the ~~F~~ Son and of the Holy Spirit.*
- C** **Amen.**
- P** *Remember Your people, which You have purchased of old,*
- C** **which You have redeemed to be the people of Your heritage.**
- P** *Bless the Lord, O my soul,*
- C** **and all that is within me, bless His holy name.**

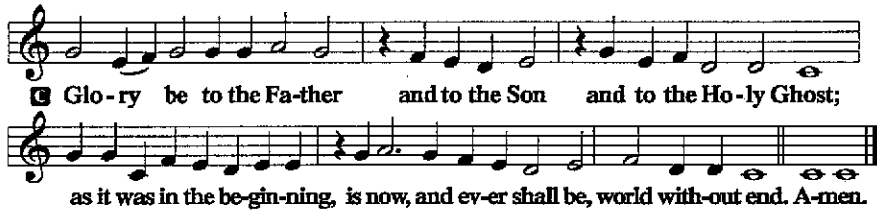
CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- 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. 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.**

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

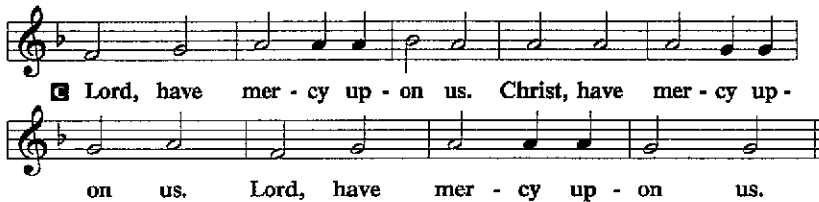
- P** *O Almighty God, Merciful Father,*
- C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your 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 ~~F~~ Son and of the Holy Spirit.*
- C** **Amen.**

GLORIA PATRI



☐ 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



☐ Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



☐: ☐ Glory be to God on high: ☐ 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.

(continued)

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 & COLLECT OF THE DAY

P *The Lord be with you.*

C And with thy spir-it.

P *Let us pray.*

All: O Lord, Almighty and Everlasting God, You have commanded us to pray and have promised to hear us. Mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may direct and govern our hearts in all things that we may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

P OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 32:22-30

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

A *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE LESSON

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

A *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C Thanks be to God.

A ALLELUIA

C Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

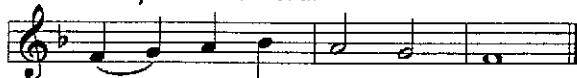
Luke 18:1-8

P *The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighteenth chapter.*

C Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord.

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

P *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*



G Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

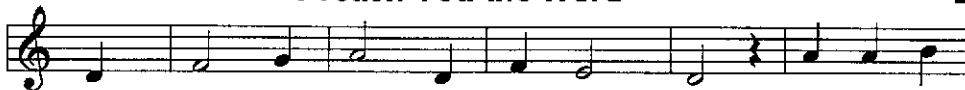
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

[Prayer requests will be collected at this time.]

HYMN OF THE DAY

Preach You the Word

LSB 586



1 Preach you the Word and plant it home To men who
2 We know how hard, O Lord, the task Your ser- vant
3 The sow - er sows; his reck - less love Scat - ters a -
4 Though some be snatched and some be scorched And some be



like or like it not, The Word that shall en -
bade us un - der - take; To preach Your Word and
broad the good - ly seed, In - tent a - lone that
choked and mat - ted flat, The sow - er sows; his



ture and stand When flow'rs and men shall be for - got.
nev - er ask What pride - ful prof - it it may make.
all may have The whole - some loaves that all men need.
heart cries out, "Oh, what of that, and what of that?"

5. Of all his scattered plenteousness 6. Preach you the Word and plant it home
One-fourth waves ripe on hill and flat, And never fail; the Harvest Lord
And bears a harvest hundredfold: Who gave the sower seed to sow
"Ah, what of that, Lord, what of that!" Will watch and tend His planted Word.

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SERMON

"PREACH IN ANY DIRECTION!"

2 Timothy 3:14—4:5

- I. It is easy in our day and age to be silent about God's Word, to not speak up in fear of ridicule.
- II. But as Paul urges Timothy in our text, God urges us to preach the saving Word of His Gospel to those around us.

NICENE CREED

G 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 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. 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 worshipped 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.

OFFERING

"Meditation"

by Walter O'Donnell

OFFERTORY

Create in Me A Clean Heart, O God

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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** Brothers and sisters in Christ, the Lord has urged us to be persistent in prayer on behalf of ourselves and all people as they have need, and He has promised to answer, so let us pray. Almighty God, Your Son encouraged us to be diligent in prayer, and Paul called on us to pray without ceasing. Hear the prayers of Your people for the sake of Your Son, and grant Your blessing to all who come before You on bended knee. Lord, in Your mercy.
- C** hear our prayer.
- P** Almighty God, You have promised to protect, defend, and prosper Your Church through Your Word. Give us wise and faithful pastors who will preach Your Word without constraint, and open our ears and hearts to hear and believe it. Bless us with faithful church workers, and bless those now preparing for Your service. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.
- P** Almighty God, You hold accountable all those who govern and lead Your people. Bless,

guide, and instruct our president, Congress, governor, and all in authority that they govern according to Your will and purpose for the cause of peace among the nations, for the common good of all, for our protection against our enemies, and for the promotion of virtue and the punishment of evil. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Almighty God, Your Word is the lamp to our feet and the light to our path. Bless those who gather to teach and learn Your Word, especially our Sunday School, and Bible studies, that we show ourselves wise and faithful sons and daughters who delight in Your Word and walk in Your ways. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Almighty God, You carry the burdens of us all in Your Son, who was wounded for our transgressions. Deliver the sick from illness, the suffering from their pain, the troubled from their distress, and the dying from fear, [especially . . .]. Give us courage and strength in our afflictions that we trust in Your promise and await Your promised healing with patience. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Almighty God, You give us all things and have made us managers of Your great creation. Bless the earth that its fruitfulness supply all that we need, and bless our stewardship of the land that we not squander what You have given. Bless our hearts that we learn generosity and return to You the tithes and offerings of a grateful heart. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Almighty God, You have given us a place at the Table, where Your Son gives us His body and blood to eat and to drink. Give us repentant hearts and faith to receive the gift of Christ Himself in this blessed communion. Give us unity of faith in our common confession before the world and love for one another as You have loved us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Almighty God, You know our frailty and our weakness, that we do not always know how to pray or what to pray for, so grant us all things good and profitable for our salvation. Deliver from us all things harmful; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, through whom all glory, honor, and worship are Yours, Holy Father, in the unity of the Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen.

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

- P** *At all times and in every place, it is good and right for us to bring You thanks and praise, O Lord, Holy Father, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, who bids us always to trust in Your mercy and never to give up in prayer, for by His death He atoned for our sin and the sin of the whole world, and by our Baptism into that death He has brought us home to You. Therefore, with patriarchs and prophets, with apostles and evangelists, with saints and all the faithful of every time and place, we offer You the unending song of praise, joining with the angels in singing:*



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- P** *Almighty Father, Everlasting God, Your power is displayed in everything You have made, but Your mercy is made known chiefly through Your Son, Jesus Christ. He came in our flesh and blood to suffer in our place for sin, to die the death we should have died, and to rise again to give us hope for our own joyful resurrection. Give those who come to the Table of our Lord the gift of Your Holy Spirit, so that we not think highly of ourselves, but in humble repentance acknowledge what He has accomplished and receive His body and blood with faith. Gather together from all the ends of the earth all who come to Your Table that we may be one Body in Christ and through Christ be delivered to everlasting life.*

C Amen.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, O 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:

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.



C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the
glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

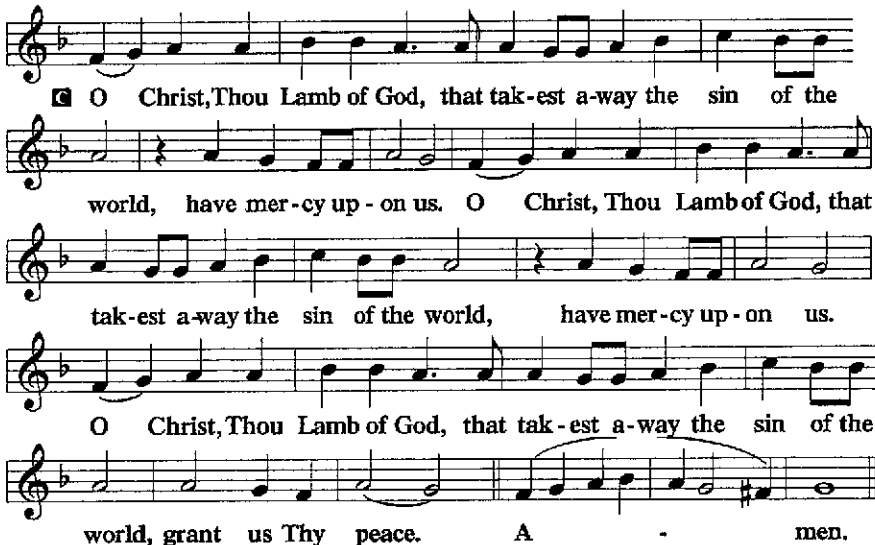
P Let us share this peace with one another.

(People greet one another saying: "Peace be with you. And also with you.")

[Remain standing]

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God



C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the
world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the
world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Reminder: gluten free wafer (by holding up an index finger to the elder), and non-alcoholic wine (the white grape juice in the center) are also available.

The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace

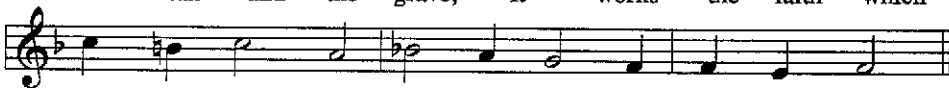
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1 The Gos - pel shows the Fa - ther's grace, Who sent His
 2 It sets the Lamb be - fore our eyes, Who made the a -
 3 It brings the Sav - ior's righ - teous - ness To robe our
 4 It is the pow'r of God to save From sin and



Son to save our race, Pro - claims how Je - sus
 ton - ing sac - ri - fice, And calls the souls with
 souls in roy - al dress; From all our guilt it
 Sa - tan and the grave; It works the faith which



lived and died That we might thus be jus - ti - fied.
 guilt op - pressed To come and find e - ter - nal rest.
 brings re - lease And gives the trou - bled con - science peace.
 firm - ly clings To all the trea - sures which it brings.

5. It bears to all the tidings glad
 And bids their hearts no more be sad;
 The weary, burdened souls it cheers
 And banishes their guilty fears.

6. May we in faith its message learn
 Nor thanklessly its blessings spurn;
 May we in faith its truth confess
 And praise the Lord, our righteousness.

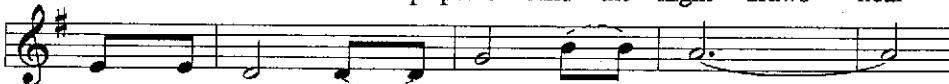
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Precious Lord, Take My Hand

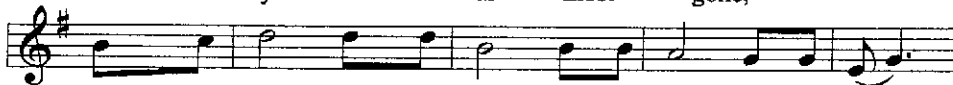
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1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me stand;
 2 When my way grows drear, Pre - cious Lord, lin - ger near,
 3 When the dark - ness ap - pears And the night draws near



I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
 When my life is al - most gone,
 And the day is al - most gone,



Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light.
 Hear my cry, hear my call; Hold my hand lest I fall.
 At the riv - er I stand; Guide my feet, hold my hand,

(continued)



Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.
 Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.
 Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.

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Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ

LSB 769



1 E - ter - nal Spir - it of the liv - ing Christ,
 2 Come, pray in me the prayer I need this day;
 3 Come with the strength I lack, bring vi - sion clear



I know not how to ask or what to say;
 Help me to see Your pur - pose and Your will—
 Of hu - man need; O give me eyes to see



I on - ly know my need, as deep as life,
 Where I have failed, what I have done a - miss;
 Ful - fill - ment of my life in love out-poured,



And on - ly You can teach me how to pray.
 Held in for - giv - ing love, let me be still.
 My life in You, O Christ; Your love in me.

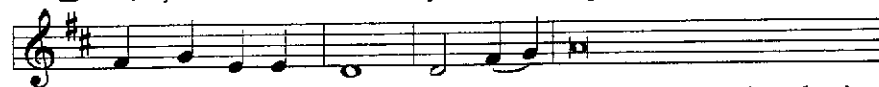
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INUNC DIMITTIS

Song of Simeon



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -



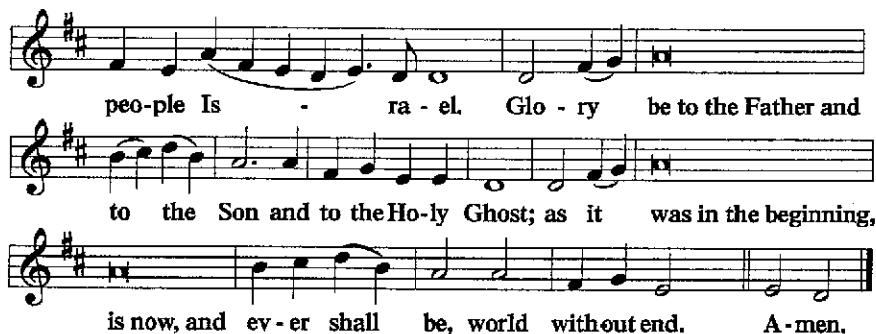
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



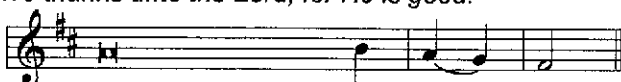
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P *O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.*



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P *O Almighty God, You have promised that as often as we pray, You will hear and answer us according to Your gracious will. Teach us to be persistent in prayer, to live in confident faith before You, and to rest our lives and our hope in Your everlasting promises; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, with whom You and the Holy Spirit live and reign, One God, both now and forevermore.*



C A - men.

SALUTATION & BENEDICAMUS

P *The Lord be with you.*



C And with thy spir - it.

P *Bless we the Lord.*

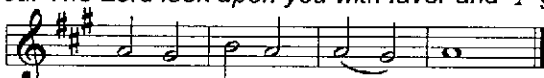


C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

P *The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and \dagger give you His peace.*

Numbers 6:24-26



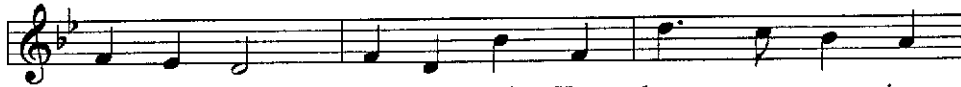
C A - men, a - men, a - men.

CLOSING HYMN *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*

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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
3 Sav - ior, when Your love shall call us From our strug - gling



joy and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,
joy - ful sound. May the fruits of Your sal - va - tion
pil - grim way, Let not fear of death ap - pall us,



Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us;
In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,
Glad Your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,



O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
ev - er faith - ful To Your truth may we be found.
may we ev - er Reign with You in end - less day.

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October 27: **"Walk with Me"**; Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler; Speaker
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