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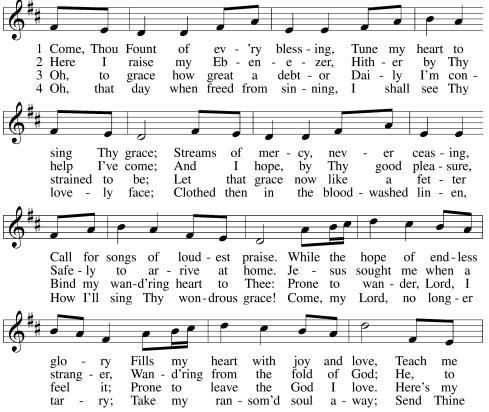
#### + PRESCHOOL SUNDAY +

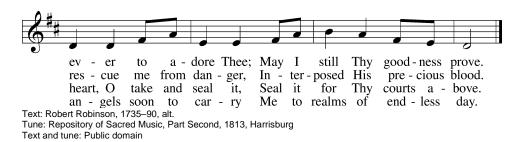
#### **OPENING SENTENCES**

John 12:26; Ephesians 4:15; Psalm 25:1-3, 5, 10; 106:48

- Jesus said: "If anyone serves Me, he must follow Me; and where I am, there will My servant be also. If anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him."
- Speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into Him who is the head, into Christ.
- P To You, O LORD, I lift up my soul. O my God, in You I trust.
- Indeed, none who wait for You shall be put to shame.
- ▶ Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation.
- All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep His covenant and His testimonies.
- P Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting!
- And let all the people say, "Amen!" Praise the LORD!

## 686 COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING





#### INVOCATION

- ▶ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

- **P** Let us confess our sins to God, our Father.
- O Lord God Almighty, we confess that we are sinful human beings by nature and by deed. We have not put You first at all times. We have not followed in the ways You have set forth for us. We have not always been thoughtful caretakers of Your creation and have not shared its bounty on all occasions. We have not kept our thoughts, words, and deeds fully pure and honorable. We have sinned in ways we know and in ways we do not even recognize. We have not honored those in authority and have not without reservation encouraged them. We have not completely put the best construction on all things and on all people. Have mercy on us, O Lord. Forgive us all our sins, and finally by Your grace, bring us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P The almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the 
  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### + WORD +

#### INTROIT

Psalm 23; antiphon: John 10:14, 15b

**P** I am the good shepherd.

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

#### C The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

P He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.

#### G He restores my soul.

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

P 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.

- P Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**P** I am the good shepherd.

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

#### SALUTATION

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.

# PRAYER OF THE DAY

P 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.

C Amen.

## FIRST READING

Acts 4:1-12

<sup>1</sup>As they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, <sup>2</sup>greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. <sup>3</sup>And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. <sup>4</sup>But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

<sup>5</sup>On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, <sup>6</sup>with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. <sup>7</sup>And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" <sup>8</sup>Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, <sup>9</sup>if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, <sup>10</sup>let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. <sup>11</sup>This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. <sup>12</sup>And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

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

#### PSAI M

All: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

#### Pulpit: He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.

Lectern: He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

- All: 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.
- Pulpit: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil: my cup overflows.
- Lectern: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.
- All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

#### EPISTLE

<sup>16</sup>By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. <sup>17</sup>But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? <sup>18</sup>Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

<sup>19</sup>By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; <sup>20</sup>for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. <sup>21</sup>Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; <sup>22</sup>and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. <sup>23</sup>And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. <sup>24</sup>Whoever keeps his commandments abides in him, and he in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

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

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### VERSE

Romans 6:9: John 10:14

- P Alleluia. 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. Alleluia.

#### HOLY GOSPEL

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.

#### Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>11</sup>[Jesus said:] "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup>He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. <sup>13</sup>He flees

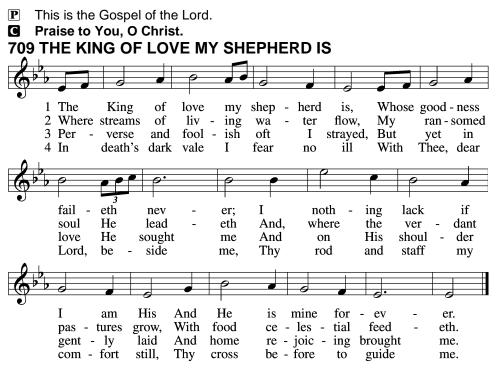


1 John 3:16-24

John 10:11-18

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because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. <sup>14</sup>I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup>just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup>And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. <sup>17</sup>For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. <sup>18</sup>No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."



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 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth; And, oh, what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth!
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#### SERMON

#### CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. Nicene Creed

And so through all the length of days

Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise

Thy goodness faileth never:

Within Thy house forever!

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.

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

- In peace, let us pray to the Lord, beseeching Him for the needs of ourselves and others. Trusting in God's loving response, we pray for the church and all who are called to lives of service to God's people, asking that the Lord will bless His undershepherds and all who care for His flock.
- **C** Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
- We pray for ourselves, that the Holy Spirit guide us into gracious ways and instill in us a holy confidence in the goodness of our God, aiding us in our prayers. With thanks for the faithful examples set by those whose earthly journeys are complete and whose witness to Christ yet inspires us, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
- We pray for the blessing of God upon our nation and its leaders that we may lead peaceable lives, and we pray for the needs of ourselves and others for healing and restoration, for solace and comfort, [especially...].
- **C** Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

- These things and all else that we should have asked grant us according to Your gracious will, O Lord, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C Amen.

## OFFERING

# + SACRAMENT +

# PREFACE

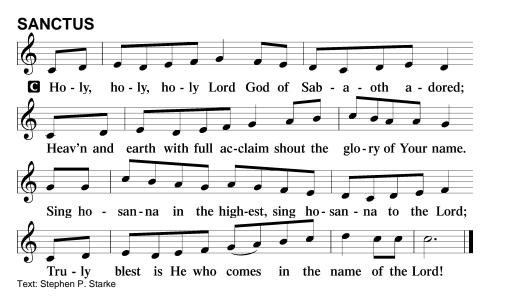
- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **G** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

# PROPER PREFACE

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, Lord our God. You call us to be Your people and invite us to bring our cares to You in prayer. You did so love the world that You sent Your only Son to be our Redeemer. By His sacrificial life and death and glorious resurrection He has brought us salvation and has shown us the path to life eternal. Pour upon us now the gift of the Holy Spirit that we may receive the body and blood of our Lord with true devotion in this sacred fellowship of Your pilgrim people. Grant us a foretaste of the feast to come, heavenly Father, that we may with increased faith joyfully await a blessed eternity in Your glorious presence.

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C Amen.



# PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- Blessed are You, O Lord of heaven and earth. We give thanks to You for the gifts of bread and wine here before us and for Your gracious provision for all Your creatures. Invited by Your grace and supported by Your love, we come to Your Table with thanksgiving and praise. Grant that we receive, with true faith and trust in Your words of promise, the bread and wine, that is, the very body and blood of Christ, as a guarantee of the salvation that He purchased for us through His innocent suffering and death on the cross. Receive our prayers and praises and grant that we may follow You as Your people, in this season of Easter and always. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and praise with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

# THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P 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**

- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- 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

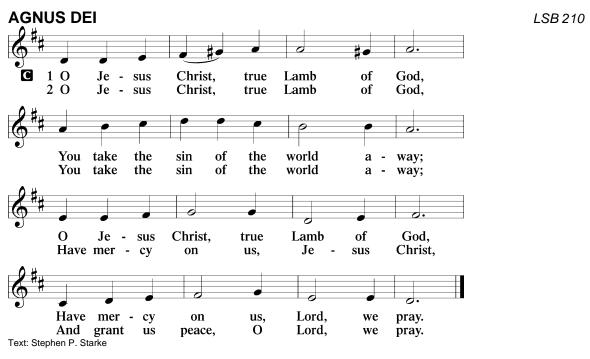
Our Father who art in heaven,

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.

#### PAX DOMINI

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



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# 710 THE LORD'S MY SHEPHERD, I'LL NOT WANT

# 641 YOU SATISFY THE HUNGRY HEART

## 864 SHEPHERD OF TENDER YOUTH

## **809 GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS**

# **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

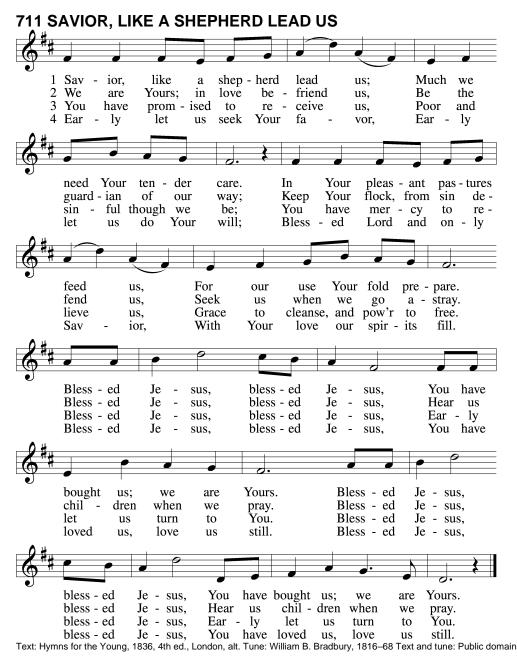
P Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, we thank You for having fed us with the body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ, assuring us thereby that we are truly members of His Body, the church. And we ask You to help us by Your Holy Spirit that we may continue in this fellowship and do the good works which You desire us to do; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

C 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.



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# **Prayers** Prayers of Praise and Thanksgiving

Prayers of thanks for **Jodie Stahlecker, Zach Heiden, and Anna Grindeland** who are celebrating their birthdays this week.

Thanksgiving for **Rod & Shauna Lee Geigle** as they celebrate their wedding anniversary.

# Prayers of Comfort and Healing

For all who suffer from mental health concerns.

Prayers for comfort and understanding for **all those who are battling cancer**.

Healing for **Jim Steck**, as he continues chemo.

for Kristen Robinson as she battles cancer.

Healing for Phil Sitze hand and back issues.

For Ruby Papendick as she is on hospice

Comfort for Kasidy Wandke upon the sudden death of her grandfather Dana Wolfe.

Comfort for Arlene Sitze and Family upon the death of her Brother in Law.

## **Other Prayers**

#### Safety for **all who are traveling**.

All who serve in our **armed forces** and their **families**.

For the unemployed and underemployed that God will provide.

For all affected by the Israel conflict.

Can we pray for you? Share your prayer requests by email at office@concordiapullman.org or fill out one of the white cards in the pews and place it in the offering plate.