620 JESUS COMES TODAY WITH HEALING



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

INVOCATION

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

Congregation Amen.

EXHORTATION

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Pastor 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.

Pastor	Our help is in the name of the Lord,
Congregation	who made heaven and earth.
Pastor	I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
Congregation	and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Kneel/Stand)

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

CONFESSION OF SINS

Pastor O almighty God, merciful Father,
 Congregation
 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.

ABSOLUTION

Pastor

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 + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation Amen.

PSALM OF THE DAY	
¹ When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,	
we were like those who dream.	
² Then our mouth was filled with laughter,	
and our tongue with shouts of joy;	
then they said among the nations,	
"The LORD has done great things for them."	

³The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad.

⁴Restore our fortunes, O LORD,

like streams in the Negeb!

⁵Those who sow in tears shall reap with shouts of joy!

⁶He who goes out weeping,

bearing the seed for sowing,

shall come home with shouts of joy,

bringing his sheaves with him.

KYRIE

Assistant In peace let us pray to the Lord.



Assistant

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



Assistant For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



Assistant For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

Assistant Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY Pastor

The Lord be with you.

Psalm 126

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Congregation And also with you.

Pastor Let us pray.

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation Amen.

CHANCEL CHOIR: PRAYER OF ST. PATRICK (CHRIST BE WITH ME)

(Stand)

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 8:26–40

Assistant The Epistle is from Acts, chapter 8.

²⁶An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is a desert place. ²⁷And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹And the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over and join this chariot." ³⁰So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" ³¹And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. ³²Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this:

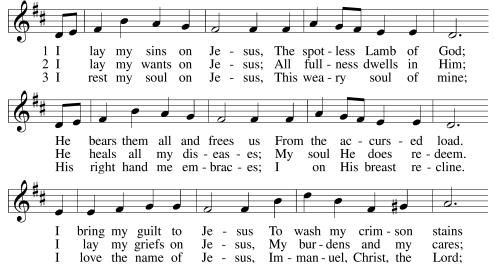
"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter and like a lamb before its shearer is silent, so he opens not his mouth.
³³In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth."

³⁴And the eunuch said to Philip, "About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" ³⁵Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?" ³⁸And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. ³⁹And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Assistant This is the Word of the Lord. Congregation Thanks be to God.

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Clean in His blood most pre - cious Till not а spot re mains. He from them all re leas - es; He all my sor - rows shares. His name a - broad is Like fra-grance on the breez - es poured. Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-89

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SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

Congregation 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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

PREFACE

PastorThe Lord be with you.CongregationAnd also with you.

Pastor Lift up your hearts. Congregation We lift them to the Lord.

PastorLet us give thanks to the Lord our God.CongregationIt is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious Father, that we may give heed to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words with which Christ gives to us His body and blood for our forgiveness. By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love which He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious blood, He saved us from Your righteous wrath and from sin, death, and hell. Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of His salvation. 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.

Congregation Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Congregation 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.

Pastor In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command, and with His own words, we receive His testament:

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor

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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."

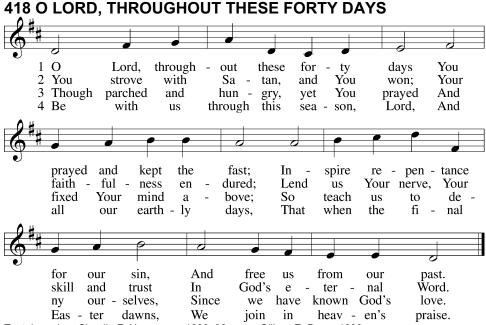
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pastor	The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Congregation	Amen.

(Sit)



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(Stand)
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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT Let us pray.

Assistant

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation Amen.

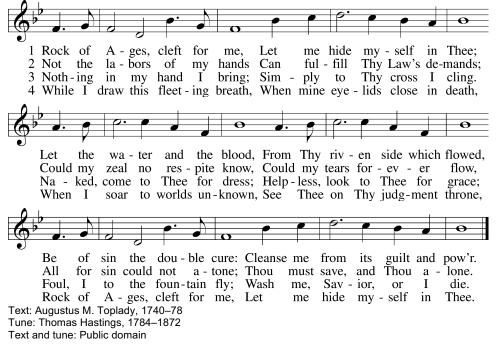
BENEDICAMUS

AssistantLet us bless the Lord.CongregationThanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

Congregation Amen.

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