

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing *LSB 380*

Stand

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

℟ In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

℣ **Amen.**

℟ Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant u:

℟ Our help is in the name of the Lord,

℣ **who made heaven and earth.**

℟ I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

℣ **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

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

℟ O almighty God, merciful Father,

℣ **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.**

℟ 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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

℣ **Amen.**

Sit

Introit

I will sing to the LORD as long | as I live;*

I will sing praise to my God while I have | being.

O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you | made them
all;*

the earth is full of your | creatures.

These all | look to you,*

to give them their food in due | season.

When you give it to them, they gath- | er it up;*

when you open your hand, they are filled with | good things.

When you send forth your Spirit, they are cre- | ated,*

and you renew the face | of the ground.

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.

I will sing to the LORD as long | as I live;*

I will sing praise to my God while I have | being.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

O God, you make us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ. Grant that as we joyfully receive Him as our Redeemer, we may with sure confidence behold Him when He comes to be our Judge; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

CAmen.

Stand

Verse

Alleluia. She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 1:67–79

P The Holy Gospel according to St. _____,
the _____ chapter.



G Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

⁶⁷And his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied, saying,

⁶⁸“Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,
for he has visited and redeemed his people

⁶⁹and has raised up a horn of salvation for us
in the house of his servant David,

⁷⁰as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,

⁷¹that we should be saved from our enemies
and from the hand of all who hate us;

⁷²to show the mercy promised to our fathers
and to remember his holy covenant,

⁷³the oath that he swore to our father Abraham, to grant us

⁷⁴that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies,
might serve him without fear,

⁷⁵in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.

⁷⁶And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High;
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,

⁷⁷to give knowledge of salvation to his people
in the forgiveness of their sins,

⁷⁸because of the tender mercy of our God,
whereby the sunrise shall visit us^[a] from on high

⁷⁹to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death,
to guide our feet into the way of peace.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



☐ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Sit

The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns

LSB 348

Sermon *The Last Song of the Old Age*

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Amen.

Stand

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.
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.**

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Offering

Stand

Offertory *LSB 781 v.1*

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Christmas Collect

Sit

(Lighting of the Candles)

Benediction

ℙ The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you
and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you
and T give you peace.



☐ A-men, a-men, a - men.

(Gather at front around the Christmas tree.)

363 Silent Night, Holy Night



1 Si - lent night, ho - ly night! All is calm, all is bright Round yon
2 Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Shep-herds quake at the sight; Glo - ries
3 Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Son of God, love's pure light Ra - diant



vir - gin moth-er and child. Ho - ly In - fant, so ten - der and mild,
stream from heav - en a - far, Heav'n - ly hosts sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
beams from Thy ho - ly face With the dawn of re - deem - ing grace,



Sleep in heav - en - ly peace, Sleep in heav - en - ly peace.
Christ, the Sav - ior, is born! Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!
Je - sus, Lord, at Thy birth, Je - sus, Lord, at Thy birth.

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