

Gloria in Excelsis

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P O Lord, we pray that Your grace may always go before and follow after us, that we may continually be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

1 Kings 17:17–24

After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill. And his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. And she said to Elijah, “What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to cause the death of my son!” And he said to her, “Give me your son.” And he took him from her arms and carried him up into the upper chamber where he lodged, and laid him on his own bed. And he cried to the LORD, “O LORD my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by killing her son?” Then he stretched himself upon the child three times and cried to the LORD, “O LORD my God, let this child’s life come into him again.” And the LORD listened to the voice of Elijah. And the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. And Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper chamber into the house and delivered him to his mother. And Elijah said, “See, your son lives.” And the woman said to Elijah, “Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth.”

P This is the Word of the Lord,

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Ps. 102:15–16

P Nations will fear the name | of the LORD,*
and all the kings of the earth will fear your | glory.

C For the LORD builds up | Zion;*
he appears in his | glory.

Choral Response

“For All the Faithful Women”

Women’s Choir

Epistle Reading

Ephesians 3:13–21

So I ask you not to lose heart over what I am suffering for you, which is your glory.

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

P This is the Word of the Lord,

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia

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Holy Gospel

Luke 7:11–17

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 7th chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

Soon afterward [Jesus] went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. As he drew near to the gate of the town, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow, and a considerable crowd from the town was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, “Do not weep.” Then he came up and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, “Young man, I say to you, arise.” And the dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, saying, “A great prophet has arisen among us!” and “God has visited his people!” And this report about him spread through the whole of Judea and all the surrounding country.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed p191

Sermon Hymn: *“The Will of God is Always Best”* LSB 758

Sermon

Offertory p192

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface - Sanctus - Lord’s Prayer p194 ff

The Words of Our Lord - Pax Domini - Agnus Dei

Distribution Hymns:

“Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread” LSB 625

“Why Should Cross and Trial and Grieve Me” LSB 756

“The Strife is O’er, the Battle Done” LSB 464

Nunc Dimittis - Thanksgiving - Post-Communion Collect p199 ff

Salutation - Benedicamus - Benediction

Closing Hymn: *“In Thee Is Gladness”* LSB 818

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