

Responsive Prayer
Grace Lutheran Church
Lincoln, Nebraska

Respond in Bold

Opening

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

Prayer of the Day

O God our shepherd, guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Psalm 23

⁶ Surely (God's) goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

Silence

What does this mean for you, that (God's) goodness and mercy follow you all the days of your life

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1

²³When Jesus was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. ²⁴He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

Silence

What does this mean for you, that Jesus did not return abuse with abuse, when he suffered he did not threaten, but entrusted himself to God?

Gospel Reading: John 10

Jesus speaks, "9I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

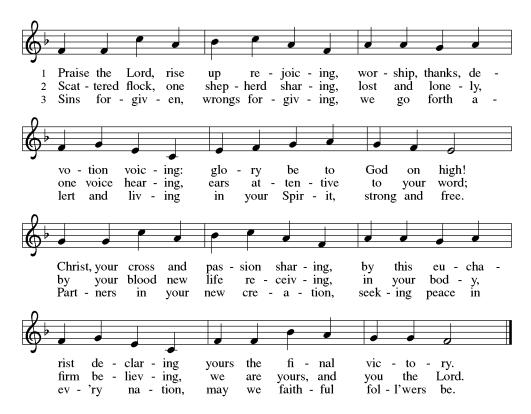
Silence

What does this mean for you, that Jesus came so that we might have life, and have it abundantly?

Video Moment

Hymn of the Day: ELW 544





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Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Apostle's Creed
I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers

Show us your mercy, O God, and grant us your salvation.

Give us the joy of your saving help again, and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit. Give peace in all the world; for only in you can we live in safety.

Keep the nations under your care, and guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Let your way be known upon earth; your saving health among all nations.

Let not the needy be forgotten, nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and sustain me with your Holy Spirit.

Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry come before you.

Closing Prayer

O God, in you we live and move and have our being. Guide and govern us every day by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but remember that always we are walking in your promise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Blessing

Almighty God (+) bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.