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Opening Hymn #743 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

- 1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible hid from our eyes, Most blessed, most glorious, O Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, Your great name we praise!
- 2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, Nor wanting nor wasting, You rule in Your might, Your justice like mountains high soaring above, Your clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.
- 3. All life You engender in great and in small, Of all life Befriender, the true Life of all. We blossom and flourish in richness and range; We wither and perish, but You never change.
- 4. Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, Your angels adore You, all veiling their sight. Our praises we render; oh, lead us to see The light of Your splendor, Your love's majesty!

Invocation

P: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

Confession and Absolution

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

P: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.

C: Amen

Kyrie & Gloria in Excelsis - sing

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us.

- 1. Glory to God, we give you thanks and praise; Of heav'nly joy and peace on earth we sing. We worship You, to You our hearts we raise, Lord God, almighty Father, heav'nly King
- 2. Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,You bore for us the load of this world's sin.O Lamb of God, Your glorious vict'ry won,Receive our prayer, grant us Your peace within
- 3. Alone, O Christ, You only are the Lord, At God's right hand in majesty most high: Who, with the Spirit worshiped and adored, With all the heav'nly host we glorify.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray...

... through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

The First Lesson – Daniel 10:10-14; 12:1-3

¹⁰And behold, a hand touched me and set me trembling on my hands and knees. ¹¹And he said to me, "O Daniel, man greatly loved, understand the words that I speak to you, and stand upright, for now I have been sent to you." And when he had spoken this word to me, I stood up trembling. ¹²Then he said to me, "Fear not, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart to understand and humbled yourself before your God, your words have been heard, and I have come because of your words. ¹³The prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me twenty-one days, but Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I was left there with the kings of Persia, ¹⁴and came to make you understand what is to happen to your people in the latter days. For the vision is for days yet to come. . . . "

¹"At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. ²And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

Psalm of the Day- Psalm 91 WS pg. 33

Antiphon - In ev'ry age, O Lord, You have been our refuge.

He who dwells in the secret place of the | Most High*

Shall abide under the shadow of the Al- | mighty.

I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my | fortress;*

My God, in Him | I will trust."

Because you have made the Lord, who is my | refuge,*

Even the Most High, your habi- |tation,

No evil shall be- | fall you,*

Nor shall any plague come near your | dwelling;

Antiphon – In ev'ry age, O Lord, You have been our refuge.

For He shall give His angels charge | over you,*

To keep you in | all your ways.

They shall bear you up | in their hands,*

Lest you dash your foot | against a stone.

He shall call upon Me, and I will | answer him;*

I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him and | honor him.

With long life I will satis- | fy him,*

And show him my sal- | vation.

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.

Antiphon – In ev'ry age, O Lord, You have been our refuge.

The Second Lesson – Revelation 12:7-12

⁷Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, ⁸but he was defeated and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. ⁹And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. ¹⁰And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our

God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. ¹¹And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death. ¹²Therefore, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to you, O earth and sea, for the devil has come down to you in great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!"

Verse of the Day - Revelation 12:11

Alleluia. They have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death. Alleluia.

The Gospel – Luke 10:17-20

¹⁷The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" ¹⁸And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

P: Blessed are they that hear the Word of God and keep it.

The Alleluia - sing

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe That Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Confession of Faith – Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there 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.

Hymn of the Day #254 Lord God, We All to Thee Give Praise

- 1. Lord God, we all to Thee give praise, Thanksgivings meet to Thee we raise, That angel hosts Thou didst create Around Thy glorious throne to wait.
- 2. They shine with light and heavenly grace And constantly behold Thy face; They heed Thy voice, they know it well, In godly wisdom they excel.
- 3. They never rest nor sleep as we; Their whole delight is but to be With Thee, Lord Jesus, and to keep Thy little flock, Thy lambs and sheep.
- 4. The ancient Dragon is their foe;

His envy and his wrath they know.
It always is his aim and pride
Thy Christian people to divide.
5. As he of old deceived the world
And into sin and death has hurled,
So he now subtly lies in wait
To ruin school and Church and State.

- 6. A Roaring lion, round he goes, No halt nor rest he ever knows; He seeks the Christians to devour And slay them in his dreadful power.
- 7. But watchful is the angel band That follows Christ on every hand To guard His people where they go And break the counsel of the Foe.
- 8. For this, now and in days to be, Our praise shall rise, O Lord, to Thee, Whom all the angel hosts adore With grateful songs forevermore.

Sermon Text - Daniel 10:10-14; 12:1-3

Sermon

Our Father in Heaven Protects His Children by Giving His Holy Angels Charge Over Them

Offertory - sing

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence. Take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold with Your Spirit free.

Offering of Thankful Hearts Prayer of the Church

(Congregation may remain seated)

P: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

P: Almighty God, we thank you for the wonder of your creation and the variety of orders within it. We thank you for your servants, the angels, whom you send to us on our behalf. Above all we thank you for your Son, enthroned above the cherubim, for the salvation which he bought us by his blood.

1. Christ, the Lord of hosts, unshaken By the devil's seething rage, Thwarts the plan of Satan's minions; Wins the strife from age to age: Conquers sin and death forever; Slams them in their steely cage.

P: Remember, Lord, Your Holy Church. As you sent Michael the archangel to defend the faithful, so may Your holy angels watch over us and guard us. Grant to Your Church peace and unity throughout the world.

2. Michael fought the heav'nly battle, Godly angels by his side; Warred against the ancient serpent, Foiled the beast, so full of pride, Cast him earth-bound with his angels; Now he prowls, unsatisfied.

P: Remember Pastor Wilke, our Synod president; Pastor Pfeiffer, our Visitor; and all the pastors and teachers of Your Church. Strengthen them in the true faith, and enable them to proclaim the victory we have in Christ Jesus.

3. Long on earth the battle rages, Since the serpent's first deceit; Twisted God's command to Adam, Made forbidden fruit look sweet.

Then the curse of God was spoken: "You'll lie crushed beneath His feet!"

P: Remember all who suffer for Your name, all who are in prison, the hungry and ill-clad, the poor and the lonely, those who travel, and all who cry out to You in their time of need, especially all who have asked for our prayers [including ______]. Grant that Your holy angel may be with them always, that the evil foe may have no power over them.

4. Jesus came, this word fulfilling, Trampled Satan, death defied: Bore the brunt of our temptation. On the wretched tree He died. Yet to life was raised victorious; By His life our life supplied.

P: Remember our president, our public servants and all in our armed forces. Guide, bless, protect and uphold them in honor. Bring all nations into the ways of peace and justice. In Your kindness and love, grant us seasonable weather and an abundance of the fruits of the earth. Grant us blessing on earth, and faith to wait patiently until You bring us to our final home.

6. Jesus, send Your angel legions
When the foe would us enslave.
Hold us fast when sin assaults us;
Come, then, Lord. Your people save.
Overthrow at last the dragon:
Send him to his fiery grave.

P: Everlasting God, You have ordained and constituted the service of angels and men in a wonderful order. Mercifully grant that as Your holy angels always serve and worship You in heaven, so by Your appointment they may also help and defend us here on earth; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who taught us to pray: *please stand*

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.

The Benediction

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

C: Amen

Closing Hymn #388 (2nd tune) *Just As I Am, without One Plea*

1. Just as I am, without one plea
But that Thy blood was shed for me
And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

- Just as I am and waiting not
 To rid my soul of one dark blot,
 To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,
 Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 Just as I am, though tossed about
 With many a conflict, many a doubt,
 Fightings and fears within, without,
 Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 4. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; Sight, riches, healing of the mind, Yea, all I need, in Thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 5. Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;Because Thy promise I believe,O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 6. Just as I am; Thy love unknown Has broken every barrier down. Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Silent Prayer

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