

OR DO YOU  
NOT KNOW THAT

**YOUR  
BODY IS A  
TEMPLE**  
OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
WITHIN YOU,

WHOM YOU HAVE FROM GOD? YOU ARE NOT YOUR OWN,  
FOR YOU WERE BOUGHT WITH A PRICE. SO GLORIFY GOD IN YOUR BODY.

1 CORINTHIANS 6:19-20

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**Sunday, July 6, 2025**  
The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

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Service Theme  
**UNDIVIDED ATTENTION  
ON CHRIST'S GRACE WHEN TEMPTED**

Temptations to sin are strong, especially when they are sexual in nature. How can we overcome them? We can't on our own, but God can. Our lessons reveal how focusing our attention on God's grace for us in Christ helps us avoid falling into sin, grants us forgiveness when we do fall, and is our power against all the temptations the devil, world and our sin flesh throw against us.

# 583 God Loves Me Dearly

CW 583



1 God loves me dear - ly, grants me sal -  
2 I was in slav - 'ry, sin, death, and  
3 He sent forth Je - sus, my dear Re -  
4 Je - sus, my Sav - ior, him - self did  
5 Now I will praise you, O Love e -



va - tion, God loves me dear - ly, loves e - ven me.  
dark - ness; God's love was work - ing to make me free.  
deem - er, he sent forth Je - sus and set me free.  
of - fer; Je - sus, my Sav - ior, paid all I owed.  
ter - nal; now I will praise you all my life long.

## Refrain



There - fore I'll say a - gain: God loves me



dear - ly, God loves me dear - ly, loves e - ven me.

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

**Amen.**

## **Confession**

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just  
and will forgive us our sins  
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father,**

**I am sinful by nature  
and have sinned against you in my thoughts,  
words, and actions.**

**I have not loved you with my whole heart;  
I have not loved others as I should.**

**I deserve your punishment both now and forever.**

**But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins  
with his innocent suffering and death.**

**Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a  
sinner.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

# 1008 Gloria

CW 1008

Tune: NETTLETON

1 Glo - ry be to God in heav - en, peace to those he loves so  
2 On - ly Son of God the Fa - ther, Lamb who takes our sin a -  
well. On the earth let all his peo - ple speak his  
way, now with him in tri - umph seat - ed— for your  
grace, his won - ders tell: Lord, we praise you for your  
mer - cy, Lord, we pray: Je - sus Christ, most high and  
glo - ry, might - y Fa - ther, heav - en's King; hear our  
ho - ly, Sav - ior, you are God a - lone in the  
joy - ful ad - o - ra - tion and ac - cept the thanks we bring.  
glo - ry of the Fa - ther with the Spir - it, Three in One!

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## The Word

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

O God, protector of all the faithful, you alone make strong; you alone make holy. Show us your mercy and forgive our sins day by day. Guide us through our earthly lives that we do not lose the things you have prepared for us in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## First Reading

Genesis 39:6–12

*Recognizing God's grace and blessing in His life, Joseph says "No" to sin and flees from temptation.*

<sup>6</sup>So he left Joseph in charge of everything that he had. He did not concern himself with anything except the food that he ate.

Joseph was well built and handsome. <sup>7</sup>Sometime after all this, his master's wife had her eye on Joseph, and she said, "Come, lie down with me."

<sup>8</sup>But he refused and said to his master's wife, "Look, my master does not concern himself with anything that has been entrusted to me in the house. He has put me in charge of everything that he has. <sup>9</sup>He has no one in this house greater than I am, and he has not withheld anything from me except you, because you are his wife. How then could I do such a great evil and sin against God?"

<sup>10</sup>She kept speaking to Joseph day after day, but he would not listen to her. He would not lie down beside her or even be with her. <sup>11</sup>But one day when he went into the house to do his work, none of the men of the household were there inside the house. <sup>12</sup>She caught him by his garment and said, "Come, lie down with me!" He left behind his garment in her hand and ran outside.

The Word of the Lord.

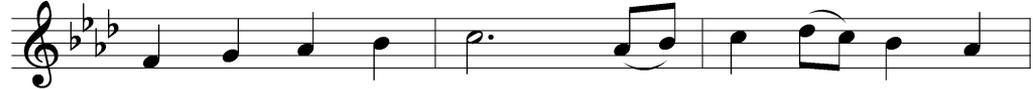
**Thanks be to God.**

# 32B How Blest Are Those

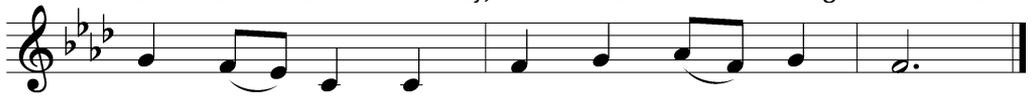
Psalm 32B



1 How blest are those the LORD for - gives; how  
2 I si - lent - ly con - cealed my guilt, but  
3 I then con - fessed my sin to you, my  
4 Let all the faith - ful pray to you while  
5 You hide me, LORD; you hold me fast in



glad they are to hear their sin is gone, their  
then I groaned all day: your heav - y hand, like  
griev - ous guilt and shame, and you for - gave my  
you may still be found; you place them safe a -  
all ad - ver - si - ty, sur - round - ing me with



guilt a - toned, their rec - ord clean and clear.  
sum - mer heat, took all my strength a - way.  
wick - ed - ness by your most gra - cious name.  
bove the flood, se - cure on high - er ground.  
faith - ful love and songs of vic - to - ry.

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## Second Reading

1 Corinthians 6:12–20

*Paul reminds us of how graciously God has honoured our bodies in Christ Jesus, which gives us every reason to flee from sexual immorality.*

<sup>12</sup>“All things are permitted for me”—but not all things are beneficial. “All things are permitted for me”—but I will not allow anything to control me. <sup>13</sup>“Foods are for the belly, and the belly is for foods, but God will do away with both of them.” However, the body is not for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord is for the body. <sup>14</sup>God raised up the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. <sup>15</sup>Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ?

Shall I then remove the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Certainly not! <sup>16</sup>Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute is one body with her? For it says, “The two will become one flesh.” <sup>17</sup>But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.

<sup>18</sup>Flee from sexual immorality! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body. <sup>19</sup>Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, <sup>20</sup>for you were bought at a price. Therefore glorify God with your body.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Acclamation



*Refrain*



*Tone*



## Gospel

John 8:1–11

*Jesus graciously forgives a woman caught in a sexual sin, giving her the blessed reason to say no to sin in the future.*

<sup>1</sup>But Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. <sup>2</sup>Early in the morning, he came back into the temple courts. And all the people kept coming to him. He sat down and taught them.

<sup>3</sup>Then the experts in the law and Pharisees brought a woman caught in adultery and had her stand in the center. <sup>4</sup>“Teacher,” they said to him, “this woman was caught in the act of committing adultery. <sup>5</sup>In the Law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?” <sup>6</sup>They asked this to test him, so that they might have evidence to accuse him.

Jesus bent down and started writing on the ground with his finger. <sup>7</sup>But when they kept on asking him for an answer, he stood up and said to them, “Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.” <sup>8</sup>Then he stooped down again and wrote on the ground.

<sup>9</sup>When they heard this, they went away one by one, beginning with the older men. Jesus was left alone with the woman in the center. <sup>10</sup>Jesus stood up and said to her, “Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?”

<sup>11</sup>“No one, Lord,” she answered.

Then Jesus said, “Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin anymore.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

# 833 I Run to Christ

CW 833

1 I run to Christ when chased by fear and find a ref-uge  
 2 I run to Christ when worn by life and find my soul re-  
 3 I run to Christ when stalked by sin and find a sure es-  
 sure. "Be - lieve in me," his voice I hear; his words and  
 freshed. "Come un - to me," he calls thro' strife; fa - tigue gives  
 cape. "De - liv - er me," I cry to him; temp - ta - tion  
 wounds se - cure. I run to Christ when torn by grief and  
 way to rest. I run to Christ when vexed by hell and  
 yields to grace. I run to Christ when plagued by shame and  
 find a - bun - dant peace. "I too had tears," he  
 find a might - y arm. "The dev - il flees," the  
 find my one de - fense. "I bore God's wrath," he  
 gent - ly speaks; thus joy and sor - row meet.  
 Scrip - tures tell; he roars but can - not harm.  
 pleads my case— my ad - vo - cate and friend.

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## Sermon

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

### Your Body Belongs to the LORD, who...

- 1) Sanctified it.
- 2) Made it a member of Christ's body.
- 3) Dwells within it.

## **Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of  
God,**

**eternally begotten of the Father,**

**God from God, Light from Light, true God from  
true God,**

**begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from  
heaven, incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin  
Mary, and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.**

**He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with  
the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven is seated at the right hand  
of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and  
the dead, his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who in unity with the Father and the Son  
is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic  
Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of  
sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **Prayer of the Church**

Eternal Lord, give us peace as we ponder the good news that you forgive our sins in Christ. Lead us to see clearly the path you have laid out for us.

**Work in us so that we believe and live the Word we have heard today.**

Provide courage and compassion to all who preach and teach your Word. Fill them with a love like yours as they proclaim your grace to us and all people.

**Move us to love all ministers of the Word wherever they serve.**

Guard and guide the families of our congregation. Lead husbands and wives to love each other with commitment, respect, and patience. Help parents to grasp the eternal value of keeping their children close to Jesus all their lives. Grant joy to those who are single, and make them a blessing to others.

**Protect us from the temptations that surround us; give us pure hearts and minds.**

Provide wisdom and insight to those who make laws and set policies. Give us respect for those who protect us from crime. Lead us to value the rights of our fellow citizens and to defend those who cannot defend themselves.

**Bless our land with peace and prosperity so that the gospel may be proclaimed to all.**

Give us passion to share the story of your love with our family and friends. Overcome unbelief, and open the hearts of people everywhere to believe the good news that Jesus has forgiven their sins and opened the gates of heaven.

**Fill us with joy over every sinner who repents and comes to trust in you.**

Extend your healing power to those who are sick and suffering in body or mind. [Pour out your special blessing on . . .] Give patience and compassion to all who care for the sick and dying.

**Lift the eyes of the distressed to your love in Christ.**

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

*Silent prayer*

Gracious God, you govern and direct all things and you love all people. Hear our prayers, spoken and silent, and answer them in your wisdom and grace.

**In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

*Offering*

The Sacrament

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

## 1011 Sanctus

CW 1011

*Tune: WEBB*



1 Sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of hosts on high,  
2 Ho - san - na in the high - est! How blest is Christ our King,



your ev - er - last - ing glo - ry fills earth and sea and sky."  
who died as our Re - deem - er, e - ter - nal life to bring!



Our voic - es cry, "Ho - san - na!" Lord, hear our hum - ble plea:  
How blest are you, Lord Je - sus, now com - ing in God's name!



in mer - cy, come and save us; in love, come set us free.  
"Ho - san - na in the high - est!" our grate - ful hearts pro - claim.

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## Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.

By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.

By his innocent death, he overcame hell.

By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

**Amen.**

## 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.**

**Amen.**

## Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my T body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my T blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**Amen.**

## 1013 Agnus

CW 1013

Tune: HAMBURG

1 O Lamb of God, once lift - ed high up - on a  
2 O Lamb of God, your sac - ri - fice has can-celled  
cross to bleed and die, in per-fect love you  
sin, has paid its price; your per-fect love will  
took our place— be - stow on us your sav - ing grace.  
nev - er cease— have mer - cy, Lord, and grant us peace.

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## Distribution

## **Thanksgiving**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

**his mercy endures forever.**

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

**we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and T give you peace.

**Amen.**

# 404 Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing

CW 404



1 Je - sus, grant that balm and heal - ing in your ho - ly  
 2 Should some lust or sharp temp - ta - tion fas - ci - nate my  
 3 If the world my heart en - tic - es with the broad and  
 4 Ev - 'ry wound that pains or grieves me by your wounds, Lord,  
 5 O my God, my rock and tow - er, grant that in your



wounds I find, ev - 'ry hour that I am feel - ing pains of  
 sin - ful mind, let me think a - bout your pas - sion, and new  
 eas - y road, with se - duc - tive, sin - ful vic - es, let me  
 is made whole; when I'm weak, your cross re - vives me, grant - ing  
 death I trust, know - ing death has lost its pow - er since you



bod - y and of mind. Should some e - vil thought with - in  
 cour - age I shall find. Or should Sa - tan press me hard,  
 weigh the aw - ful load you were will - ing to en - dure.  
 new life to my soul. Yes, your com - fort ren - ders sweet  
 crushed it in the dust. Sav - ior, let your ag - o - ny



tempt my treach - 'rous heart to sin, show the per - il,  
 let me then be on my guard, say - ing, "Christ for  
 Help me flee all thoughts im - pure, mas - ter - ing each  
 ev - 'ry bit - ter cup I meet; for your all - a -  
 ev - er help and com - fort me; when I die be



and from sin - ning keep me ere its first be - gin - ning.  
 me was wound - ed," that the tempt - er flee con - found - ed.  
 wild temp - ta - tion, calm in prayer and med - i - ta - tion.  
 ton - ing pas - sion has pro - cured my soul's sal - va - tion.  
 my pro - tec - tion, light and life and res - ur - rec - tion.

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### **Church Cleaners**

July 13 – Luke // July 20 – Timothy

### **WELS Resources**

*Conquerors through Christ*  
exists to help people resist, reject, recover  
from porn use or addiction.

[www.conquerorsthroughchrist.net](http://www.conquerorsthroughchrist.net)

*made. known.*

is a website dedicated to “Walking with you in faith through  
identity, gender, and sexuality.”

[www.madeknown.net](http://www.madeknown.net)

### *Freedom for the Captives*

provides resources for survivors of child sexual abuse, and  
for churches and their leaders who desire to minister  
faithfully when cases of such abuse become known.

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## DIVINE WORD'S TWO-WEEK CALENDAR

**Su (6) 9:30 am Worship with Holy Communion**  
**3:00 pm Communion Service in Poltimore**

*Pastor will be of town from July 7-9*

Th (10) 5:30 pm Youth Confirmation (W)

Fr (11) 6:00 pm Friday Fellowship

Sa (12) 11:00 am Communicating Christ (Youth)

**Su (13) 9:30 am Worship**

Tu (15) 7:00 pm Elders Meeting

We (16) 9:30 am Communicating Christ (Adult)

Th (17) 5:30 pm Youth Confirmation (W)

Fr (18) 4:30 pm Youth Confirmation (D)

Sa (19) 11:00 am Communicating Christ (Youth)

**Su (20) 9:30 am Worship with Holy Communion**  
**3:00 pm Communion Service in Poltimore**



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