# **February 9, 2025**

#### INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

### CONFESSION

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: 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 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 Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on Jesus to hear the word of God, He was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, and He saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, He asked him to put out a little from the land. And He sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when He had finished speaking, He said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at Your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed Him.

## HYMN God Himself Is Present

1 God Himself is present:
Let us now adore Him
And with awe appear before Him.
God is in His temple;
All within keep silence;

Humbly kneel in deepest rev'rence.

He alone

On His throne

Is our God and Savior; Praise His name forever!

2 God Himself is present:

Hear the harps resounding;

See the hosts the throne surrounding.

"Holy, holy, holy!"

Hear the hymn ascending,

Songs of saints and angels blending.

Bow Your ear

To us here:

Hear, O Christ, the praises

That Your Church now raises.

3 Fount of ev'ry blessing,

Purify my spirit,

Trusting only in Your merit.

Like the holy angels,

Worshiping before You,

May I ceaselessly adore You.

Let Your will

**Ever still** 

Rule Your Church terrestrial

As the hosts celestial.

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**SERMON** 

**PRAYERS** 

## THE 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.

## **BENEDICTION**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

# HYMN Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying

- 1 Hark, the voice of Jesus crying,
   "Who will go and work today?
  Fields are white and harvests waiting—
   Who will bear the sheaves away?"
  Loud and long the Master calleth;
   Rich reward He offers thee.
  Who will answer, gladly saying,
   "Here am I, send me, send me"?
- 2 If you cannot speak like angels,
   If you cannot preach like Paul,
   You can tell the love of Jesus,
   You can say He died for all.
   If you cannot rouse the wicked

With the judgment's dread alarms, You can lead the little children To the Savior's waiting arms.

- 3 If you cannot be a watchman,
  Standing high on Zion's wall,
  Pointing out the path to heaven,
  Off'ring life and peace to all,
  With your prayers and with your bounties
  You can do what God commands;
  You can be like faithful Aaron,
  Holding up the prophet's hands.
- 4 Let none hear you idly saying,
   "There is nothing I can do,"
  While the multitudes are dying
   And the Master calls for you.
  Take the task He gives you gladly,
   Let His work your pleasure be;
  Answer quickly when He calleth,
   "Here am I, send me, send me!"

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