



*THIRD SUNDAY OF END TIME
SAINTS TRIUMPHANT*

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

OPENING HYMN

CW #206 (V. 1 & 3)

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Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying



1 "Wake, a - wake, for night is fly - ing,"
2 Zi - on hears the watch - men sing - ing,
3 Now let all the heav'ns a - dore you;



The watch-men on the heights are cry - ing, "A - wake, Je -
And all her heart with joy is spring-ing; She wakes, she
Let saints and an - gels sing be - fore you With harp and



ru - sa - lem, a - rise!" Mid - night hears the
ris - es from her gloom, For her Lord comes
cym - bal's clear - est tone. Of one pearl each



wel - come voic - es And at the thrill - ing
down all - glo - rious, The strong in grace, in
shin - ing por - tal, Where, dwell - ing with the



cry re - joic - es: "Oh, where are all you vir - gins wise?
truth vic - to - rious; Her Star is ris'n, her Light is come.
choir im - mor - tal, We gath - er round your ra - dian - t throne.



The Bride - groom comes— a - wake! Your lamps with
"Now come, O Bless - ed One, Christ Je - sus,
No vi - sion ev - er brought, No ear has

glad - ness take! Al - le - lu - ia! With bri - dal care
 God's own Son. Hail! Ho - san - na! The joy - ful call
 ev - er caught Such great glo - ry; There - fore will we

 Your-selves pre - pare To meet the Bride-groom who is near."
 We an - swer all And fol - low to the wed - ding hall."
 In vic - to - ry Sing hymns of praise e - ter - nal - ly.

INVOCATION

- M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

- M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**
- M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 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 Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord have mercy.

M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: Christ have mercy.

M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord have mercy.

M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

The minister says the Prayer of the Day.

C: Amen.

The Word

FIRST LESSON

ISAIAH 52:1-6

Wake, awake!

Clothe yourself with strength, O Zion.

Put on your beautiful garments,
Jerusalem, you holy city,
for never again will the uncircumcised
and the unclean enter you.

²Shake off the dust.

Get up and take your seat, Jerusalem.

Loosen the chains from your neck,
you captive daughter of Zion.

³Yes, this is what the LORD says.

You were sold for nothing,
and you will be redeemed without money.

⁴Yes, this is what the LORD God says.

In the beginning, my people went down to Egypt to stay there for a while.

Later Assyria oppressed them without cause.

⁵Now what do I have here? declares the LORD.

Indeed, my people have been taken away for nothing.

Their rulers howl with mockery, declares the LORD.

My name is continually despised all day.

⁶Therefore my people will know my name.

So on that day they will know that I am the one—
the one who is saying, "Here I am!"

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 84

Refrain



Let us go re-joic - ing to the house of the Lord.

Psalm tone



Refrain

How lovely is your dwelling place,*

O LORD Almighty!

My soul yearns, even faints,*

for the courts of the LORD.

Blessed are those who dwell in your house;*

they are ever praising you.

Refrain

Better is one day in your courts*

than a thousand elsewhere;

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God*

than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

O LORD Almighty,*

blessed are they who trust in you.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*

and to the Holy Spirit,

as it was in the beginning,*

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain**SECOND LESSON****1 THESSALONIANS 4:13–18**

¹³We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who have fallen asleep, so that you do not grieve in the same way as the others, who have no hope. ¹⁴Indeed, if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, then in the same way we also believe that God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep through Jesus.

¹⁵In fact, we tell you this by the word of the Lord: We who are alive and left until the coming of the Lord will certainly not go on ahead of those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁶For the Lord himself will come down from heaven with a loud command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will always be with the Lord. ¹⁸Therefore, encourage one another with these words.

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: The Gospel according to Matthew chapter 25, verses 1-13

“At that time the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. ²Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³When the foolish ones took their lamps, they did not take any oil with them; ⁴but the wise took oil in their containers with their lamps. ⁵While the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep. ⁶But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Look, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!’ ⁷Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. ⁸The foolish ones said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil because our lamps are going out.’ ⁹But the wise answered, ‘No, there may not be enough for us and for you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves.’ ¹⁰But while they were away buying oil, the bridegroom came. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet, and the door was shut. ¹¹Later, the other virgins also came and said, ‘Lord, Lord, let us in.’ ¹²But he answered, ‘Amen I tell you: I do not know you.’ ¹³Therefore, keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.”

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ.

Who Knows When Death



1 Who knows when death may o - ver - take me!
 2 My man - y sins blot out for - ev - er
 3 Once in the blest bap - tis - mal wa - ters
 4 His bod - y and his blood I've tak - en
 5 Though death may come to - day, to - mor - row,



Time pass - es on; my end draws near.
 Since Je - sus has my par - don won;
 I put on Christ and made him mine;
 In his blest sup - per, feast di - vine;
 I know in Christ I per - ish not;



How swift - ly can my breath for - sake me!
 In mer - cy robbed, I then shall nev - er
 Now, num - bered with God's sons and daugh - ters,
 Now I shall nev - er be for - sak - en
 He grants the peace that stills all sor - row,



How soon can life's last hour ap - pear!
 Fear death, but trust in you a - lone.
 I share his peace and love di - vine.
 For I am his and he is mine.
 Gives me a robe with - out a spot.

Refrain

My God, for Je - sus' sake I pray



Your peace may bless my dy - ing day.

"A TRIUMPHANT HOPE"

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully 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 and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the 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

LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

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For All the Saints



1 For all the saints who from their
 2 You were their rock, their for - tress,
 3 Oh, may your sol - diers, faith - ful,
 4 Oh, blest com - mun - ion, fel - low -
 5 And when the fight is fierce, the



la - bors rest, All who their faith be -
 and their might; You, Lord, their cap - tain
 true, and bold Fight as the saints who
 ship di - vine! We fee - bly strug - gle;
 war - fare long, Steals on the ear the



fore the world con - fessed, Your name, O
 in the well - fought fight And in the
 no - bly fought of old And win with
 they in glo - ry shine, Yet all are
 dis - tant tri - umph - song, And hearts are



Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
 dark - ness drear their one true light.
 them the vic - tor's crown of gold.
 one with - in your grand de - sign.
 brave a - gain and arms are strong.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

- 6 The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon, to faithful warriors comes their rest.
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 7 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day:
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 8 From earth's wide bounds to ocean's farthest coast
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.

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 (+) give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

CW #607

How Blest Are They



1 How blest are they who trust in Christ When we
 2 In rip - ened age, their har - vest reaped, Or gone
 3 In Christ, who tast - ed death for us, We rise



and those we love must part. We yield them up, for
 from us in youth or prime, In Christ they have e -
 a - bove our nat - ural grief And wit - ness to a



go we must, But do not lose them from our heart.
 ter - nal life, Re - leased from all the bonds of time.
 strick - en world The strength and splen - dor of be - lief.

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