

*Prelude: Wachet auf ruft uns die Stimme (J.S. Bach)*

## Confession and Absolution

**LSB# 515 Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers**

*Opening Hymn*

**Order of Divine Service IV**

*LSB 203*

## Service of the Word

**Introit**

*Psalm*

*39:4–5a, 7–8, 12a; antiphon: 2 Peter 3:13b NIV*

We are looking forward to a new heaven and a | new earth,\*  
the home of | righteousness.

O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure | of my days;\*  
let me know how fleeting | I am!

Behold, you have made my days a few | handbreadths,\*  
and my lifetime is as nothing be- | fore you.

And now, O Lord, for what | do I wait?\*

My hope | is in you.  
Deliver me from all my trans- | gressions.\*

Do not make me the scorn | of the fool!  
Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear | to my cry;\*

hold not your peace | at my tears!  
**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.**

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**Kyrie**

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**Gloria in Excelsis**

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**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## Old Testament

*Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14*

<sup>9</sup>As I looked,

thrones were placed,  
and the Ancient of days took his seat;  
his clothing was white as snow,  
and the hair of his head like pure wool;  
his throne was fiery flames;  
its wheels were burning fire.

<sup>10</sup>A stream of fire issued  
and came out from before him;  
a thousand thousands served him,  
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him;  
the court sat in judgment,  
and the books were opened. . . .

<sup>13</sup>I saw in the night visions,  
and behold, with the clouds of heaven  
there came one like a son of man,  
and he came to the Ancient of Days  
and was presented before him.

<sup>14</sup>And to him was given dominion  
and glory and a kingdom,  
that all peoples, nations, and languages  
should serve him;  
his dominion is an everlasting dominion,  
which shall not pass away,  
and his kingdom one  
that shall not be destroyed.

## Gradual

These are the ones coming out of the great tribu- | lation.\*

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood | of the Lamb.

Blessèd are those whose strength is | in you,\*

in whose heart are the highways to | Zion.

## Epistle

*Revelation 1:4b-8*

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

<sup>7</sup>Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

<sup>8</sup>“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

**Alleluia and Verse**

*LSB 205*

**Holy Gospel**

*John 18:33–37*

<sup>33</sup>Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” <sup>34</sup>Jesus answered, “Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?” <sup>35</sup>Pilate answered, “Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?” <sup>36</sup>Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world.” <sup>37</sup>Then Pilate said to him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice.”

**Nicene Creed**

*LSB 206*

**LSB# 336 Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending**

*Hymn of the Day*

**Sermon “Not of this World”**

*John 18: 33-37*

**Prayer of the Church**

*LSB 207*

**Offering**

Service of the Sacrament

**Communion Liturgy**

*LSB 208-210*

**Distribution Hymns:**

**LSB# 622 Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared**

**LSB# 514 The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us**

**Nunc Dimittis**

*LSB 211*

**Post-Communion Collect, Benedicamus and Benediction**

*LSB 212*

**LSB# 516 Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying**

*Closing Hymn*

*Postlude: Prelude in F (V. Lubeck)*