
ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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Prayer Before Worship

O Lord, my Creator, Redeemer, and Comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

RINGING BELL CALLS US TO WORSHIP

WELCOME

PRELUDE

OPENING HYMN *LSB 717 Eternal Father, Strong to Save vv. 1-4*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

C: AMEN.

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.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

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

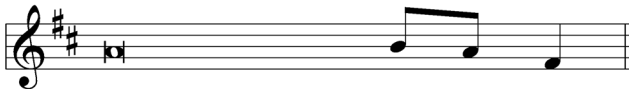
C: MOST MERCIFUL GOD, WE CONFESS THAT WE ARE BY NATURE SINFUL AND UNCLEAN. WE HAVE SINNED AGAINST YOU IN THOUGHT, WORD, AND DEED, BY WHAT WE HAVE DONE AND BY WHAT WE HAVE LEFT UNDONE. WE HAVE NOT LOVED YOU WITH OUR WHOLE HEART; WE HAVE NOT LOVED OUR NEIGHBORS AS OURSELVES. WE JUSTLY DESERVE YOUR PRESENT 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: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

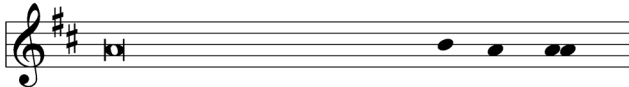
C: AMEN.



L O Lord, o - pen my lips,



C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



C make haste to help me, O Lord.



C Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

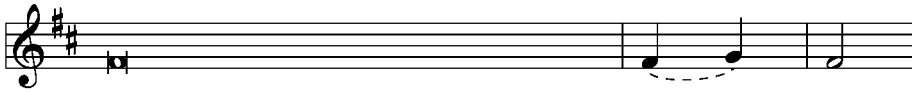
PSALMODY Venite *O Come, Let Us Sing*
Antiphon



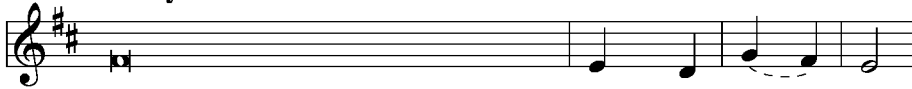
L The Lord has sanc - ti - fied us in the true faith.



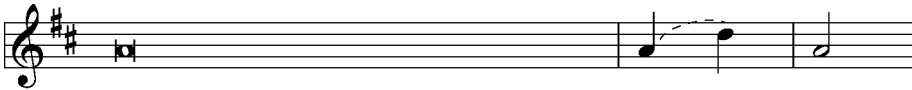
C O come, let us wor - ship Him.



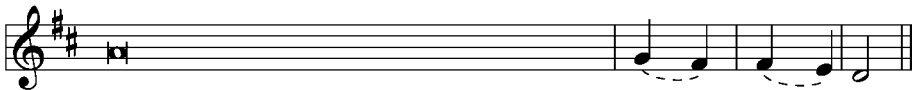
C 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
 2 For the Lord is a great God
 3 The sea is His, for He made it,
 5 Glory be to the Father and to the Son



1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
 2 and a great king a - bove all gods.
 3 and His hand formed the dry land.
 5 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,
 2 The deep places of the earth are in His hand;
 3 O come, let us worship and bow down,
 4 For He is our God,
 5 as it was in the be - gin - ning,



1 let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.
 2 the strength of the hills is His al - so.
 3 let us kneel before the Lord, our mak - er.
 4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.
 5 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.



L The Lord has sanc - ti - fied us in the true faith.



C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

SECOND PSALM Psalm 18:1-16

(Sung responsively by verse)



I | love you,*

O | Lord, my strength.

THE LORD IS MY ROCK AND MY FORTRESS AND MY DE- | LIVERER,*

MY GOD, MY ROCK, IN WHOM I TAKE REFUGE,

MY SHIELD, AND THE HORN OF MY SALVATION, MY | STRONGHOLD.

I call upon the Lord, Who is worthy | to be praised,*
and I am saved from my | enemies.

THE CORDS OF DEATH EN- | COMPASSED ME;*

THE TORRENTS OF DESTRUCTION AS- | SAILED ME;

the cords of Sheol en- | tangled me;*
the snares of death con- | fronted me.

IN MY DISTRESS I CALLED UPON THE LORD;

TO MY GOD I | CRIED FOR HELP.*

FROM HIS TEMPLE HE HEARD MY VOICE,

AND MY CRY TO HIM | REACHED HIS EARS.

Then the earth | reeled and rocked;*
the foundations also of the mountains trembled
and quaked, because He was | angry.

SMOKE WENT UP FROM HIS NOSTRILS,

AND DEVOURING FIRE | FROM HIS MOUTH;*

GLOWING COALS FLAMED | FORTH FROM HIM.

He bowed the heavens and | came down;*
thick darkness was un- | der His feet.

HE RODE ON A CHER- | UB AND FLEW;*

HE CAME SWIFTLY ON THE WINGS | OF THE WIND.

He made darkness His covering, His canopy a- | round Him,*
thick clouds dark with | water.

OUT OF THE BRIGHTNESS BE- | FORE HIM*

HAILSTONES AND COALS OF FIRE BROKE | THROUGH HIS CLOUDS.

The Lord also thundered in the | heavens,*
and the Most High uttered His voice,
hailstones and | coals of fire.

AND HE SENT OUT HIS ARROWS AND | SCATTERED THEM;*

HE FLASHED FORTH LIGHTNINGS AND | ROUTED THEM.

Then the channels of the sea were seen,
and the foundations of the world were | laid bare*
at Your rebuke, O Lord,
at the blast of the breath of Your | nostrils.

HE SENT FROM ON HIGH, HE | TOOK ME;*

HE DREW ME OUT OF MANY | WATERS.

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.

OFFICE HYMN *LSB 868 Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun*

FIRST LESSON

Job 38:4-18

⁴“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell Me, if you have understanding.

⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

⁶On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone,

⁷when the morning stars sang together

and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors

when it burst out from the womb,

⁹when I made clouds its garment

and thick darkness its swaddling band,

¹⁰and prescribed limits for it

- and set bars and doors,
¹¹and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther,
 and here shall your proud waves be stayed'?
¹²"Have you commanded the morning since your days began,
 and caused the dawn to know its place,
¹³that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth,
 and the wicked be shaken out of it?
¹⁴It is changed like clay under the seal,
 and its features stand out like a garment.
¹⁵From the wicked their light is withheld,
 and their uplifted arm is broken.
¹⁶"Have you entered into the springs of the sea,
 or walked in the recesses of the deep?
¹⁷Have the gates of death been revealed to you,
 or have you seen the gates of deep darkness?
¹⁸Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth?
 Declare, if you know all this.

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.

C: THANKS BE TO GOD.

SECOND LESSON

Romans 10:5-17

⁵For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. ⁶But the righteousness based on faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷or "Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in Him will not be put to shame." ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing His riches on all who call on Him. ¹³For "everyone who calls on the Name of the Lord will be saved."
¹⁴But how are they to call on Him in Whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in Him of Whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the Word of Christ.

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.

C: THANKS BE TO GOD.

GOSPEL VERSE*Matthew 14:27*

P: Alleluia. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying,

C: “TAKE HEART; IT IS I. DO NOT BE AFRAID.” ALLELUIA.**HOLY GOSPEL***Matthew 14:22-33*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

C: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

²²Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He dismissed the crowds.

²³And after He had dismissed the crowds, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. When evening came, He was there alone, ²⁴but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And in the fourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, “It is a ghost!” and they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, **“Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.”**

²⁸And Peter answered Him, “Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water.”

²⁹He said, **“Come.”** So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus.

³⁰But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, “Lord, save me.” ³¹Jesus immediately reached out His hand and took hold of him, saying to him, **“O you of little faith, why did you doubt?”** ³²And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased.

³³And those in the boat worshiped Him, saying, “Truly You are the Son of God.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.**RESPONSORY***LSB 222*

- [L] 1 Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
 2 Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep— it.
 3 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it.



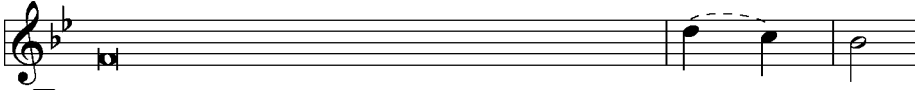
- [C] Lord, I love
 the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.

HYMN OF THE DAY *LSB 722 Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me*

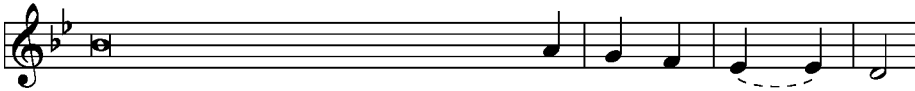
SERMON

CANTICLE **Te Deum** (*We Praise You O God*)

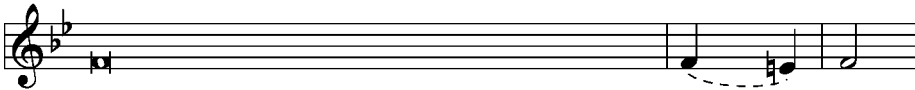
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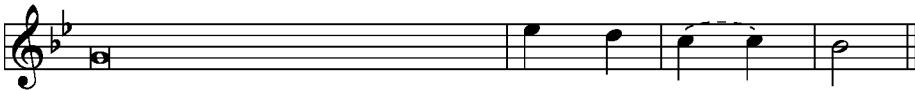
- 1** We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.
2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
3 The noble army of martyrs praise — You.



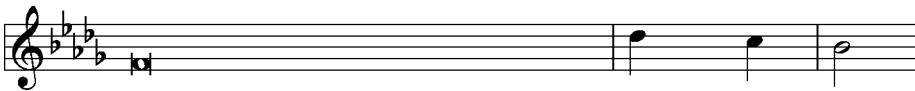
- 1** All the earth now worships You, the Fa-ther ev - er - last - ing.
2 heaven and earth are full of the majes - ty of Your glo - ry.
3 The holy Church throughout all the world does ac - knowl-edge You:



- 1** To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs there-in.
2 The glorious company of the apostles praise — You.
3 The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and on - ly Son;
4 You are the king of glory, O — Christ;



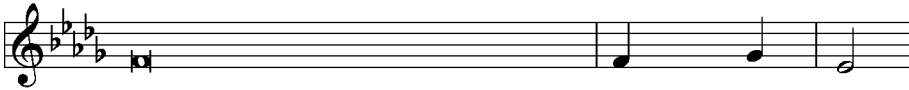
- 1** To You cherubim and seraphim con - tin - ual - ly do cry:
2 The goodly fellowship of the proph-ets praise — You.
3 also the Holy Ghost, the Com-fort - er.
4 You are the everlasting Son of the Fa - ther.



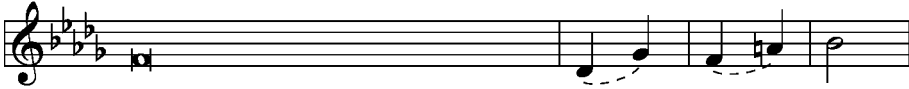
- 5** When You took upon Yourself to de - liv - er man,
6 You sit at the right hand of God



- 5** You humbled Yourself to be born of a vir - gin.
6 in the glory of the Fa - ther.



5 When You had overcome the sharpness of death,
6 We believe that You will come



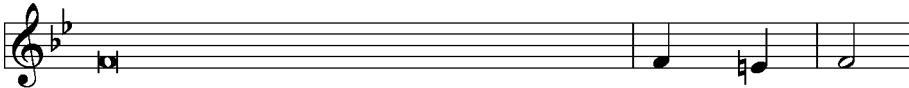
5 You opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.
6 to be our judge.



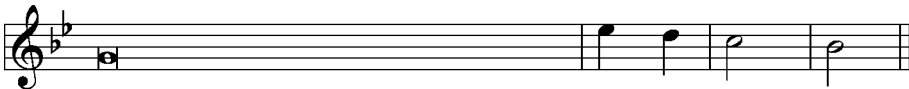
7 We therefore pray You to help Your ser - vants,
8 O Lord, save Your people and bless Your . . . her - i - tage.
9 Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day with - out sin.



7 whom You have redeem - ed with Your pre - cious blood.
8 Govern them and lift them up for - ev - er.
9 O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy up - on us.



7 Make them to be numbered with Your saints
8 Day by day we magni - fy You.
9 O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.



7 in glory ev - er - last - ing.
8 And we worship Your name for - ever and ev - er.
9 O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be con - found - ed.

PRESENTATION OF BIBLE TO ANNABELLE PENDARVIS

P: Dear friend in Christ, God's Word is a holy and awesome thing, and we rejoice this day to be able to hand that Word on to you. The Word comes to us as both Law, exposing our sin and showing us our need for salvation, and as Gospel, giving us peace, grace and forgiveness in the work of Jesus our Lord. One of the chief responsibilities parents and grandparents are given in the nurture of their children is to raise them in the knowledge of the Lord. Hear these words from Scripture:

⁴"Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. ⁵You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. ⁶And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. ⁷You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.

Deuteronomy 6:4-7

And again:

¹⁶All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

Adam and Jacqueline, we rejoice this day to assist you in the Christian nurture of your daughter, so please accept this Bible to present to Annabelle. Hand it to her and repeat after me:

ADAM AND JACQUELINE: Receive this Bible dear child. Let God's Word bring you knowledge and understanding. Let God's Word turn you to Christ and His love. Let God's Word shape you so that you grow in faith and love for others.

C: THE LORD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU STEADFAST IN HIS WORD.

P: Let us pray.

O God our Father, we thank You for Your Holy Word, by which Your Spirit comes to us to bring us faith and life in Your Son Jesus. We thank You for parents and grandparents who seek to raise children in the true knowledge and faith of Christ. We thank You for children who willingly and gratefully receive Your Word and teaching.

Bless this family here this morning, bless their child, and bless this Bible – that as Annabelle reads Your Word, she may be enlightened in spirit, grow in faith, and show forth Your glory as she walks in Your ways and receives Your mercy and love.

We ask these things in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: AMEN.

BLESSING FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

P: The sharing of the Gospel and the Lord's work in the lives of children and young people is clearly evident through daily Christian instruction. As God has promised to all His children, "You will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to Himself." (Acts 2:38b-39) Therefore, I ask you before God, are you

committed to share this hope through the Christian day school? Will you pray for those called to teach or brought to learn there? Will you support them as you are able, in response to God's blessing of your life? If so, answer, "Yes, with the help of God."

C YES, WITH THE HELP OF GOD.

A Blessing of The Teachers, Staff, Board Members, and All Who Work at Concordia

P: Let us pray...

Lord God, heavenly Father, we give thanks that through Your Word, the School Association, and this congregation, you have called our teachers to ministries of education, the school's staff to ministries of service, the Board of Education to a service of oversight, and all who work at the school, or serve with its auxiliaries or other organizations, to ministries of support. We praise Your mercy and ask that You continue to keep all who serve at Concordia in faith and bless their work. Bless these your servants here today and uphold them in their work that they may serve well in their respective positions. Dispose Your people to godliness and obedience and let them so profit by instruction in Your holy Word that they may ever grow in faith, be preserved from all ungodliness, serve You all their days, and finally inherit eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

C: AMEN.

A Blessing of The School Students and Families

P: Gracious Father in heaven, we thank You for the work you are doing in the lives of families and children through Concordia Lutheran School. We pray that you would use the School's many gifts to build up families and young people in the knowledge of Your Word and Your unspeakable love poured out through Christ Jesus. We also pray that you would use the school to build up its students in the knowledge and skills that will make them useful in service to the Church and to society. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: AMEN.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

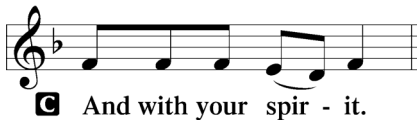
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C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

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.



Collect of the Day

P: Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord,



Collect for Matins

P: Almighty God, heavenly Father, Your mercies are new to us every morning, and You abundantly provide for all our wants of body and soul. Give us we humbly pray, Your Holy Spirit that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness toward us, give thanks for all Your benefits, and cheerfully serve You.



For Guidance in Our Calling*LSB p. 311*

P: Lord God, You have called Your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go but only that Your hand is leading us and Your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**For Responsible Citizenship***LSB p.313*

P: Lord, keep this nation under Your care. Bless the leaders of our land that we may be a people at peace among ourselves and a blessing to the other nations of the earth. Grant that we may choose trustworthy leaders, contribute to wise decisions for the general welfare, and serve You faithfully in our generation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Collect for Grace***LSB p.228*

P: O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**BENEDICAMUS***LSB p. 227*

BENEDICTION

P The grace of our Lord Je - sus Christ and the love of God

and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.

C A - men.

CLOSING HYMN *LSB 752 Be Still, My Soul***POSTLUDE***Silent Prayer*

Almighty and merciful God, I have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for my many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. I thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep me in faith until, with all Your saints, I inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.



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