

Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray: **Our Father, who art in heaven....**

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

HYMN 425 - *we sing, standing*

POSTLUDE - *“O Christ, Our King, Creator Lord” tune Oakley; setting R. Sensmeier*

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PRELUDE - *“Meditation On Pleading Savior”* arranged by David Hegarty

HYMN 631 - *stanzas 1, 4, 5, and 7, we sing, standing*

OPENING VERSICLES

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

O Lord, open my lips, **and my mouth will declare Your praise.**

Make haste, O God, to deliver me; **make haste to help me O Lord.**

Your hands have made and fashioned me; **give me understanding that I may learn Your commandments.**

Teach me Your way, O Lord, **that I may walk in Your truth.**

Incline Your ear to me when I call **and look upon me with the eyes of Your mercy.**

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.

GREETING, followed by PRAYER

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray. **Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

(please be seated)

FIRST READING – 1 Samuel 16:1-7

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

PSALM – Psalm 33:13-15, 18-22

The LORD looks down from heaven; he sees all the children of man; **from where he sits enthroned he looks out on all the inhabitants of the earth.**

He fashions the hearts of them all and observes all their deeds. **Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love.**

He delivers their soul from death and keep them alive in famine. **Our soul waits for**

the LORD; he is our help and our shield.

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.

SECOND READING – 1 Peter 3:8-12a

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

HOLY GOSPEL – John 9:1-11 - *all standing*

Before, all shout: Glory to you, O Lord!

After, all shout: Praise to you, O Christ!

HYMN 702 - *we sing, seated*

SERMON

ANTHEM - *The Bell Choir Plays “When I Survey The Wondrous Cross”* tune Hamburg, *arranged by Jason Krug*

PRAYERS

Let us pray for the whole body of Christ and for all people according to their needs.

For all the nations of the world, that their leaders may see with Your eyes of justice and mercy the needs of their people, let us pray to the Lord: **O Lord, behold, and have mercy.**

For Your body, the Church, that we may see in our service the coming of Your kingdom to our world, let us pray to the Lord: **O Lord, behold, and have mercy.**

For our congregation, that in seeing the poor, the hungry, the oppressed, and the grieving, we may see You in them and welcome our opportunity to serve You, let us pray to the Lord: **O Lord, behold, and have mercy.**

For all who are blind, either physically or spiritually, that You may be seen by them as the light of the world, let us pray to the Lord: **O Lord, behold, and have mercy.**

For the sick, that we may see the fulfillment of Your kingdom through the healing that comes by Your power, let us pray to the Lord: **O Lord, behold, and have mercy.**

Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all those for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**