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Today's Hymns: Thou, Whose Almighty Word; Thou Goest to Jerusalem; 629; 918
Catechism

P What does such baptising with water signify?

C It signifies that the old Adam in us should, by daily remorse and repentance, be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a new person should daily come forth and arise, to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.

P Where is this written?

C St Paul says in Romans chapter six: "We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life."

Turn to the Introit on the laminated card.

Volunteer Rota

Today: Music: Andrew—Sunday School: Barbara & ??—Teas: Averil

Next week: Music: ??—Sunday School: ?? & Michelle—Teas: Andrew

In Our Prayers

Members

Ron; Sindy & Nikola; Reg; Žina

Family of members

George (health); Alex, Sarah & family; Ian (Parkinson's); Claire Anniss (health); Shirley Thomas (breast cancer); Jack & Joan Fast (dementia & lung cancer); Doug & Myra (health); Barry (health)

Friends of members

Ilse Kelly (old age); Jim Ferguson (stroke); Dell (spinal injury); Gus & Mae (health); Becky Varsogea (brain tumour); Claire & Phil (health); Helen Kriewaldt (stroke, breast cancer); Johann Wiebusch (CP); Charlotte (cancer); John (cancer); Brian (cancer); Gina & family; Tim (health); Doris (health); Lynette Wiebusch (Alzheimer's); Janet (cancer); Jeannette Clough

(cancer); Miriam (tumour); Karran (health); David, Michael, Fiona & family (health); Tressey (health); Joan & her brother (health); Sally (recovering from operation)

Local Community

Tina (depression); Treacher family

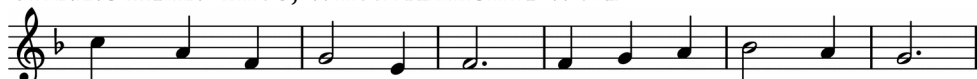
ELCE

Ipswich Lutheran Mission, Pr. Samiec, ELCE Board for Youth; Youth Rally; Pr. Jones (health); Wendy Nicolson (cancer); Raili Stewart (end of life)

The Church of God

Lutherans in Africa, Pr. James May; Somali Lutheran Church, Pr. Mohamed Gurhan; Catholic Parish of Fareham and Portchester; Ilahi family, Jawid (persecution)

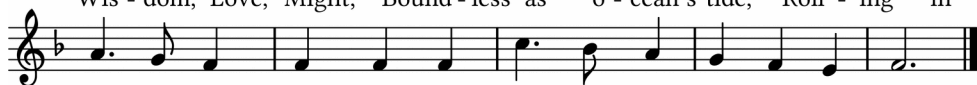
OPENING HYMN: THOU, WHOSE ALMIGHTY WORD



1. Thou, Whose Al - might - y word Cha - os and dark - ness heard,
2. Thou Who didst come to bring On Thy re - deem - ing wing
3. Spir - it of truth and love, Life - giv - ing, ho - ly Dove,
4. Ho - ly and Bless - èd Three, Glor - i - ous Trin - i - ty,



And took their flight, Hear us, we humb - ly pray; And, where the
Heal - ing and sight, Health to the sick in mind, Sight to the
Speed forth Thy flight! Move on the wa - ters' face, Bear - ing the
Wis - dom, Love, Might; Bound - less as o - cean's tide, Roll - ing in



Gos - pel day Sheds not its glor - ious ray, Let there be light!
in - ly blind, O now, to all man - kind Let there be light!
lamp of grace, And, in earth's dark - est place, Let there be light!
full - est pride Through the world, far and wide, Let there be light!

Text: John Marriott (1780–1825); Music: Felice de Giardini (1716–96)

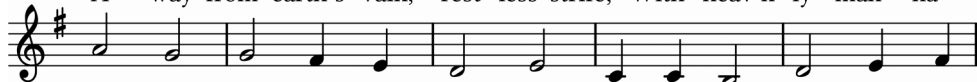
HYMN OF THE DAY: THOU GOEST TO JERUSALEM



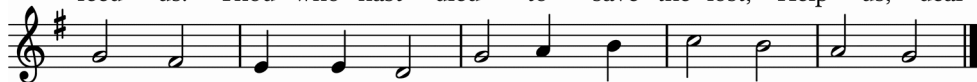
1. Thou go - est to Je - ru - sa - lem, O Son of God, to suf - fer,
2. Be - fore Thee lies Geth - se - ma - ne, The scene of bit - ter an - guish;
3. Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life; We pray Thee, Mas - ter, lead us



And for a world of sin - ful men Thy spot - less life to
Thine eyes be - hold the Cal - va - ry Where Thou in pain must
A - way from earth's vain, rest - less strife; With heav'n - ly man - na



of - fer; Thou bear - est an - guish, pain, and loss, The mock - ers'
lan - guish; The bleed - ing wounds, the bit - ter gall, The crown of
feed us. Thou who hast died to save the lost, Help us, dear



score, the scourge, the cross, To win for us sal - va - tion.
thorns, the judge - ment hall, Thy bur - dened soul's af - flic - tion.
Lord, to weigh the cost, And fol - low Thee, our Sa - viour.

Text: Anna Hoppe (1889–1941); Music: Peter Sohren, (c. 1630–92)

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD
THE APOLOGY OF THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION
ARTICLE IV: JUSTIFICATION

The faith that justifies is not merely a knowledge of history. It is to believe in God's promise. In the promise, for Christ's sake, forgiveness of sins and justification are freely offered. And so that no one may suppose that this is mere knowledge, we will add further: it is to want and to receive the offered promise of forgiveness of sins and of justification.

The difference between this faith and the righteousness of the Law can be easily discerned. Faith is the divine service (*latreia*) that receives the benefits offered by God. The righteousness of the Law is the divine service (*latreia*) that offers to God our merits. God wants to be worshipped through faith so that we receive from Him those things He promises and offers.

Faith means not only a knowledge of the history, but the kind of faith that believes in the promise ... It will be easy to decide what faith is if we consider the Creed, where this article certainly stands: the forgiveness of sins. It is not enough to believe that Christ was born, suffered, was raised again, unless we add also this article, which is the purpose of the history: the forgiveness of sins. ...

Whenever we speak of justifying faith, we must keep in mind that these three objects belong together: the promise, grace, and Christ's merits as the price and atonement. The promise is received through faith. Grace excludes our merits and means that the benefit is offered only through mercy. Christ's merits are the price, because there must be a certain atonement for our sins. Scripture frequently cries out for mercy; the Holy Fathers often say that we are saved by mercy. Therefore, whenever mercy is mentioned, we must keep in mind that faith, which receives the promise of mercy, is required there. Again, whenever we speak about faith, we want an object of faith to be understood, namely, the promised mercy. For faith justifies and saves, not because it is a worthy work in itself, but only because it receives the promised mercy.

Paragraphs 48–56

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

This Week

Today 3.30 pm Bible study at Brighton Mission
4.30 pm Divine Service at Brighton Mission
Tue *Bible study cancelled*
Wed 10.45 pm Pastor's Drop-in (The Hub)
2 pm Devotion at Kiln Lodge & Hunters Lodge
7 pm Divine Service—Ash Wednesday

16–18 Feb ELCE Youth Rally

Sun 10.30 am Divine Service (Scout Hall)
12.15 Lunch with ELCE youth

Further Ahead

20 Feb 1.10 pm Bible study (Parsonage)
7.30 pm Bible study (Parsonage)
21 Feb 10.45 am Pastor's Drop-in (The Hub)
7 pm Lenten Vespers
24 Feb *St. Matthias*
25 Feb 10.30 am Divine Service (Scout Hall)
3 pm Bible study at Oxford Mission
4.30 pm Pastor at Oxford Mission
27 Feb 1.10 pm Bible study (Parsonage)
7.30 pm Bible study (Parsonage)
28 Feb 10.45 am Pastor's Drop-in (The Hub)
2 pm Devotion at Willow Tree Lodge & Hunters Lodge
7 pm Lenten Vespers
3 Mar 5.30 pm Community Fun Night (Scout Hall)
4 Mar 10.30 am Divine Service (Scout Hall)
12.15 pm Voters' Assembly & AGM

Daily Readings:

Sun: Job 7:1–21 John 4:7–26 *Smalcald Articles III III:1–9*

Mon: Job 8:1–22 John 4:27–45 *SA III III:10–19*

Tue: Job 9:1–35 John 4:46–54 *SA III III:20–28*

Wed: Genesis 1:1–19 Mark 1:1–13 *Formula of Concord Solid Declaration Introduction*

Thu: Gen 1:20–2:3 Mark 1:14–28 *FC SD Rule, and Norm:1–8*

Fri: Gen 2:4–25 Mark 1:29–45 *FC SD Rule, and Norm:9–13*

Sat: Gen 3:1–24 Mark 2:1–17 *FC SD Rule, and Norm:14–20*

Sun: Gen 4:1–26 Mark 2:18–28 *FC SD I:1–4*

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