

Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary

Symposium on Hermeneutics

September 20, 2016

8:00 a.m.

Seminary Auditorium

Order of Service

HYMN

Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices

CW 194

Setting by Branches Band

Stand for the final stanza.



1 Oh, that I had a thou - sand voic - es
2 Dear Fa - ther, end - less praise I ren - der
3 I praise you, Sav - ior, whose com - pas - sion
4 Glo - ry and praise, still on - ward reach - ing,
5 Shall I not then be filled with glad - ness?



to praise my God with thou - sand tongues! My heart, which
for soul and bod - y, no - bly joined; I praise you,
has brought you down to ran - som me. Your pit - ying
be yours, O Spir - it of all grace, whose ho - ly
Shall I not praise you ev - er - more and tri - umph



in the Lord re - joic - es, would then pro -
Guard - ian kind and ten - der, for all the
heart sought my sal - va - tion; you bore the
pow'r and faith - ful teach - ing give me a -
o - ver fear and sad - ness, al - though my



claim in grate - ful songs to all, wher - ev - er
dai - ly joys I find so rich - ly spread on
cross tri - um - phant - ly, brought me from bond - age
mong your saints a place. What - ev - er good by
cup of woe runs o'er? Though heav'n and earth shall



I might be, what great things God has done for me.
ev - 'ry side and free - ly for my use sup - plied.
full re - lease, made me your own, and gave me peace.
me is done is worked by grace di - vine a - lone.
dis - ap - pear, your end - less love is ev - er near.

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son ✕ and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: Holy God, gracious Father,
I am sinful by nature
and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.
I have not loved you with my whole heart;
I have not loved others as I should.
I deserve your punishment both now and forever.
But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins
with his holy life and innocent death.
Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection.

ABSOLUTION

M: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. 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.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

M: You were sent to heal the contrite in heart...
You came to call sinners...
You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us...

Minister first, then congregation.



1. Ký-ri - e, KÝ-ri - e, KÝ-ri - e, e - lé - i - son.
2. Chri - ste, Chri - ste, Chri - ste, e - lé - i - son.
3. KÝ-ri - e, KÝ-ri - e, KÝ-ri - e, e - lé - i - son.

GLORY TO GOD

Gloria in excelsis

The choir sings the refrain. All repeat the refrain and sing it again as indicated.

Refrain

Glo - ry, glo - ry to God in the high - est,
and on earth peace to
peo - ple of good will.

The choir sings the canticle.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Refrain

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

Refrain

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Refrain

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Eternal Father, your Word is a lamp for our feet and a light for our eyes. Pour out your Holy Spirit on us that he may teach us all things and enable us to see clearly the brilliance of your love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

C: **Amen**

Be seated.

THE WORD

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 23:21-29

Let the one who has my word speak it faithfully.

After the reading:

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 1

Setting by Tony Alonza

The choir sings the refrain. All repeat the refrain and sing it again as indicated.

Bless - ed are they who hope in the
Lord, who hope in the Lord.

The choir sings the verses of the psalm.

Blessed indeed is the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked,
nor stands in the path with sinners,
nor abides in the company of scorners,
But whose delight is in the law of the LORD,
and who ponders his law day and night.

Refrain

He is like a tree that is planted beside the flowing waters,
that yields its fruit in due season
and whose leaves shall never fade;
and all that he does shall prosper.

Refrain

Not so are the wicked, not so!
For they, like winnowed chaff, shall be driven away by the wind;
For the Lord knows the way of the just,
But the way of the wicked shall perish.

Refrain

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 2:8-16
Correctly handle the Word of truth.

After the reading:

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Stand.

VERSE OF THE DAY

The choir sings the refrain. All repeat the refrain.

Refrain

Al-le-lu-ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al-le-lu-ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al-le-lu-ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al-le-lu-ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The choir sings the Verse of the Day.

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the words of everlasting life.

All sing the refrain.

GOSPEL

John 17:13-19
The Word is truth.

After the reading:

M: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated.

ANTHEM

Speak, O Lord

Words and music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend
Arranged by Mary McDonald

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to receive the food of your Holy Word.
Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all your purposes for your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail, let their truth prevail over unbelief.

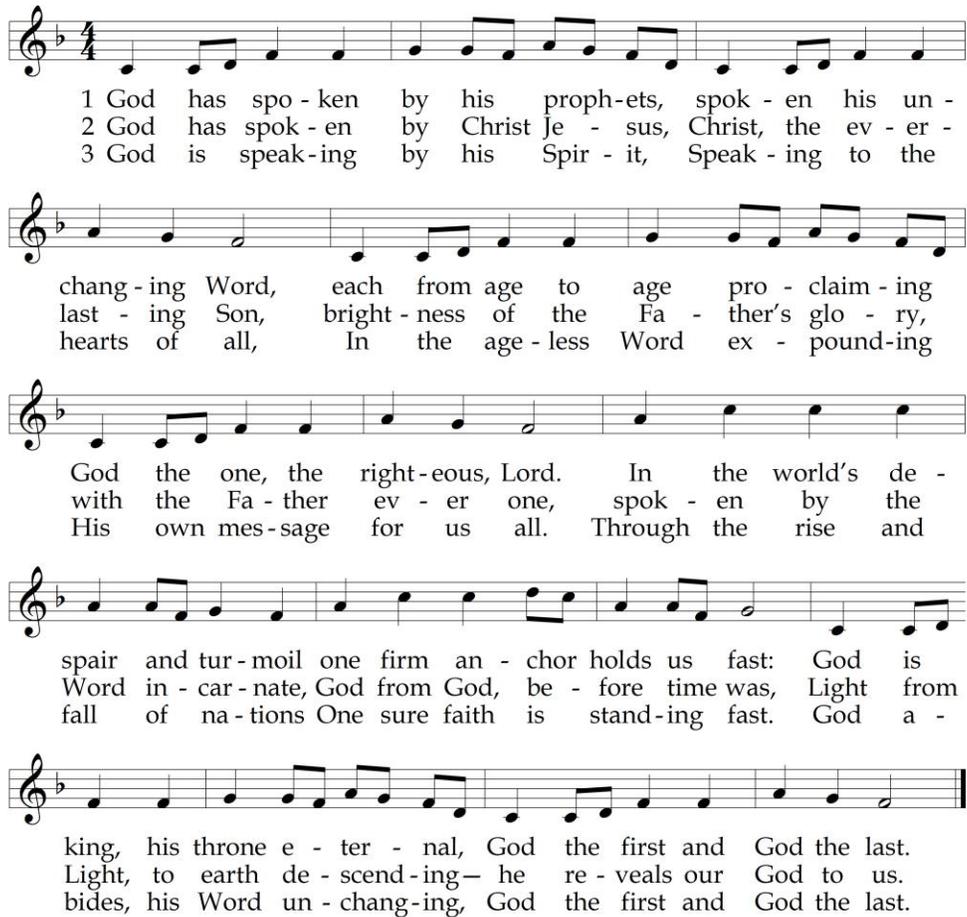
Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; help us grasp the heights of your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time, that will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on your promises, and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, as your Church is built and you fill the earth with your glory.

HYMN OF THE DAY

God Has Spoken by His Prophets

CW 281

Sung to the tune HOLY MANNA



1 God has spo - ken by his proph-ets, spok - en his un -
2 God has spok - en by Christ Je - sus, Christ, the ev - er -
3 God is speak - ing by his Spir - it, Speak - ing to the

chang - ing Word, each from age to age pro - claim - ing
last - ing Son, bright - ness of the Fa - ther's glo - ry,
hearts of all, In the age - less Word ex - pound - ing

God the one, the right - eous, Lord. In the world's de -
with the Fa - ther ev - er one, spok - en by the
His own mes - sage for us all. Through the rise and

spair and tur - moil one firm an - chor holds us fast: God is
Word in - car - nate, God from God, be - fore time was, Light from
fall of na - tions One sure faith is stand - ing fast. God a -

king, his throne e - ter - nal, God the first and God the last.
Light, to earth de - scend - ing - he re - veals our God to us.
bides, his Word un - chang - ing, God the first and God the last.

The words matter because the Word matters

NICENE CREED

Credo

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.

Be seated.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Gracious God and Lord, in love we cannot fathom or explain, you sent your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, to undo the damage of Eden and restore the peace of Paradise. Fill us with awe as we consider your grace and keep our faith strong as we hold to your promises.

C: **Let the fire of your love burn in our hearts.**

M: Week after week, Lord, we proclaim and receive the life-changing good news that your Son carried the sins of the world to his cross and then rose from death to guarantee his victory. We have known these truths since childhood, but we pray that you lead us to believe them with fresh and joyful confidence.

C: **Let the comfort of Good Friday and the victory of Easter burn in our hearts.**

M: O Lord, sometimes we find it difficult to express how grateful we are that you have called us to serve in your Church. We recognized our weaknesses long ago and more than once we wondered if we were fit for service in the kingdom. In your amazing grace, however, you equipped us and called us to ministry and now support us as we herald your gospel in the place where we live. Lead us every day to rely on your love and give thanks for your grace.

C: **Let your promises and power burn in our hearts.**

- M:** We know very well, Lord, that we do not deserve your blessings. We carry the same infection of sin that all people bear, and we sin day and night in the thoughts we think, the words we speak, and the actions we take or fail to take. Forgive our sins for the sake of your Son's suffering, blood, and death. Comfort our grieving conscience and lift our weary spirit.
- C:** **Let the reality and certainty of your forgiveness burn in our hearts.**
- M:** You have forgiven our sins, Lord. This is your promise, and your promise cannot fail. Now keep Satan away from us when he comes with his lies and half-truths and threatens to end us with his conniving power. Make us strong as we remember our Baptism and give us resolve as you forgive our sins in the Sacrament of your body and blood.
- C:** **Let the comfort of your Word and sacraments burn in our hearts.**
- M:** We thank you, Lord, for all the people who have encouraged and supported us over the years. The list is long, and we must hold many of them in our hearts. We thank you especially for that special Christian who stands at our side and shares our deepest fears and greatest joys. Protect our family in these troubled times and guide us as we walk together toward our eternal home.
- C:** **Let the wonder of these unique gifts burn in our hearts.**
- M:** Lord, we pray for the people we serve, the men, women, and children you have given us to shepherd and guide. Protect them from the devils and demons that surround them, instill in them a longing love for your message, and empower them to share the good news with their families and neighbors.
- C:** **Let the miracles we see in the lives of your saints burn in our hearts.**
- M:** Lead us, Lord, to be always content with the little blessings you give and yet always eager to achieve grand triumphs for your kingdom. Give us a heart for each soul but give us a vision for all people. Lead us to look for young Christians who love your Son and move us to encourage them toward ministry.
- C:** **Let the countless opportunities that stand before us burn in our hearts.**
- M:** Thank you, Lord, for making us the people we are and leading us to the people we serve. Hold us all in your gracious hand, fire us all to proclaim your everlasting gospel, and guide us all to the Paradise of eternal life.
- C:** **Let the fire of your love burn in our hearts. Amen.**

OFFERING

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THE SACRAMENT

Stand.

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,
God of might: heav'n and earth are full of your glo -
ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless -
ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -
na in the high - est. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M: Blessed are you, O Lord God, eternal King and gracious Father. In love you made us the crown of your creation. In mercy you planned our salvation. In grace you sent your Son to redeem us from sin.

We remember and give you thanks
that your eternal Son, Jesus Christ, became flesh and made his dwelling among us,
that he willingly placed himself under law to redeem those under law,
that he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death on a cross,
that he has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood in this Sacrament. Forgive our sins, increase our faith, strengthen our fellowship, and deepen our longing for the day when Christ will welcome us to his eternal feast. Praise and thanks and honor and glory be to you, O God our Father, and to your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my ✠ body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my ✠ blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **Amen.**

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

**O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us your peace. Amen.**

Be seated.

DISTRIBUTION

Holy Communion is distributed by continuous distribution. At the direction of the ushers all communicants approach the altar via the center aisle in two lines. Pause until you receive the body of the Lord from the minister. Move to the ministers distributing the chalices. Pause and receive the blood of the Lord. Communicants may assist the minister with the chalice. Move to your seat via the side aisles. The blessing follows the Distribution.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide

CW 541

Lord Jesus Christ, with us abide,
For round us falls the eventide,
Nor let your Word, that heav'nly light,
For us be ever veiled in night.

O God, how sin's dread works abound!
Throughout the earth no rest is found,
And falsehood's spirit wide has spread,
And error boldly rears its head.

In these last days of sore distress
Grant us, dear Lord, true steadfastness
That pure we keep, till life is spent,
Your holy Word and sacrament.

Lord Jesus, help, your Church uphold,
For we are sluggish, thoughtless, cold.
Oh, prosper well your Word of grace,
And spread its truth in ev'ry place.

Oh, keep us in your Word, we pray;
The guile and rage of Satan stay!
Oh, may your mercy never cease!
Give concord, patience, courage, peace.

The cause is yours, the glory, too,
So hear us, Lord, and keep us true.
Your Word alone is our defense,
The Church's glorious confidence.

Oh, grant that in your holy Word
We here may live and die, dear Lord,
And when our journey's ending here,
Receive us into glory there.

O God, our Lord, your holy Word was long a hidden treasure
Till to its place it was by grace restored in fullest measure.
For this today our thanks we say and gladly glorify you.
Your mercy show and grace bestow on all who still deny you.

Salvation true by faith in you – that is your gospel’s preaching,
The heart and core of Bible lore in all its sacred teaching.
In Christ we must put all our trust, not in our deeds or labor;
With conscience pure and heart secure love you, Lord, and our neighbor.

Lord, you alone this work have done by your free grace and favor.
All who believe will grace receive through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
And though the foe would overthrow your Word with grim endeavor,
All he has wrought must come to naught – your Word will stand forever!

Since you are mine, my Lord divine, death holds no dreadful terrors;
Your precious blood, my highest good, has blotted out my errors.
My thanks to you – your Word is true! fulfill your promise ever,
And mercy give while here I live and heav’nly bliss forever.

Following the Distribution, the presiding minister says:

M: The true body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in the true faith to life everlasting.

C: **Amen.**

Stand.

M: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: **His mercy endures forever.**

M: Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

C: **we proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.**

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

BLESSING

M: 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.



Be seated.

ANTHEM

Lord, When Your Glory I Shall See

Words by Paul Gerhardt

Tune by Kurt Eggert

Setting by Carl F. Schalk

Lord, when your glory I shall see and taste your kingdom's pleasure,
Your blood my royal robe shall be, my joy beyond all measure!
When I appear before your throne, your righteousness shall be my crown;
With these I need not hide me. And there, in garments richly wrought,
As your own bride I shall be brought to stand in joy beside you.

POSTLUDE

Refreshments are served until the presentation of the third essay at 10:00 a.m.

CD recordings of recent programs presented by the Seminary Chorus
are for sale at the back of the auditorium for \$12.00.



Service Participants

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| Presiding Minister | Prof. Paul Zell |
| Preacher | Pastor Jonathan Schroeder Faith Lutheran Church Sharpsburg, GA |
| Assisting Ministers | Prof. Kenneth Cherney, Prof. Earle Treptow, Seniors Andrew Schrimpf, Mark Voss, and Christian Marquardt |
| Accompanists | Nathanael Plocher Ethan Brooks |
| Choir | The Seminary Chorus Prof. James Tiefel, <i>director</i> |
| Instruments | Tristan Paustian and Joshua Jensen, <i>trumpet</i> Jared Natsis, <i>horn</i> Daniel Schmidt, <i>trombone</i> Sam Jeske, <i>mandolin and bass</i> Adam Lambrecht, <i>acoustic guitar</i> Peter Schlicht, <i>guitar and banjo</i> Jacob Limpert, <i>djembe and percussion</i> |

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