

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
*"A Disciple Making Community"*  
*"KNOW, GROW, and GO"*

West Salem, Wisconsin  
The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

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Our Mission:

"Prince of Peace exists to be a disciple making community for the Lord Jesus Christ"

Our Message:

"We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ"

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## **Holy Communion at Prince of Peace, LCMS**

*The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod practices “Close Communion” as an expression of unity in doctrine (1 Corinthians 10:16-17; Romans 16:17; 1 Corinthians 1:10). When a person partakes of the Sacrament at the Altar he is also confessing his unreserved agreement with that church body’s doctrine. Because of doctrinal differences existing between the Missouri Synod and other Lutheran bodies, and also with other denominations, we cannot expect their members to make that kind of confession at our altar, nor do we desire anyone to compromise his own convictions and his church body’s teachings. Therefore, our practice of “Close Communion” admits only those in doctrinal agreement who are members of congregations of the Missouri Synod.*

*The Holy Sacrament requires a mature participation which includes self-examination (1 Corinthians 11:28). Scripture also warns against “unworthy” reception (impenitence or unbelief) which would bring God’s judgment on the recipient: 1 Corinthians 11:27; 1 Corinthians 11:29. Thus, out of loving concern for all, and commitment to the Holy Scripture and the Lutheran Confessions, we practice “Close Communion”. We thank you for your cooperation and respect for our practice.*

*Those who will not be communing, but would like to receive a blessing are invited to come forward. Please cross your arms on your chest to indicate that you are requesting a blessing. May the Holy Spirit bless us all as we “Search the Scriptures” (John 5:39), and humbly strive to “Continue in His Word.” (John 8:31) Please speak to an elder if you have questions concerning communion.*

**Theme:** The benediction of God is prolific in the language of the Church. Its enormous blessing is pronounced by pastors and received by the gathered assembly. All who believe in the name of Jesus—Jew and Greek, slave and free, male and female—are enveloped forever with the grace and the peace of God.

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

## Opening Hymn

## 900 Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love



- 1 Je - sus! Name of won-drous love, Name all oth - er names a - bove,  
2 Je - sus! Name de - creed of old, To the maid-en moth - er told,  
3 Je - sus! Name of price - less worth To the fall - en of the earth  
4 Je - sus! Name of mer - cy mild, Giv - en to the ho - ly Child



Un - to which must ev - 'ry knee Bow in deep hu - mil - i - ty.  
Kneel-ing in her low-ly cell, By the an - gel Ga - bri - el.  
For the prom - ise that it gave, "Je - sus shall His peo-ple save."  
When the cup of hu-man woe First He tast - ed here be - low.

- 5 Jesus! Only name that's giv'n Under all the mighty heav'n  
Whereby those to sin enslaved Burst their fetters and are saved.
- 6 Jesus! Name of wondrous love, Human name of God above;  
Pleading only this, we flee Helpless, O our God, to Thee.

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### Stand

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

## Invocation

*Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C** Amen.

## Exhortation

*Hebrews 10:22; Psalm 124:8; Psalm 32:5*

- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

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

## Confession of Sins

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,  
**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

## Absolution

*[John 20:19–23]*

- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## Service of the Word

### Introit

*Psalm 40:6–8; antiphon: 40:16*

May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you;  
**may those who love your salvation say continually, “Great is the LORD!”**  
Sacrifice and offering you have not desired, but you have given me an open ear.  
**Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required.**  
Then I said, “Behold, I have come;  
**in the scroll of the book it is written of me:**  
I desire to do your will, O my God;  
**your law is within my heart.”**  
**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.**  
May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you;  
**may those who love your salvation say continually, “Great is the LORD!”**

## Kyrie

Mark 10:47



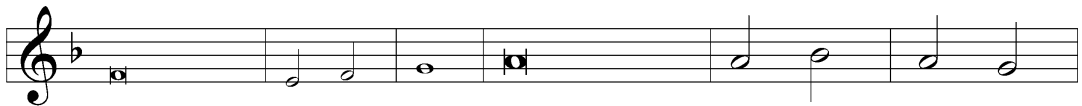
**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



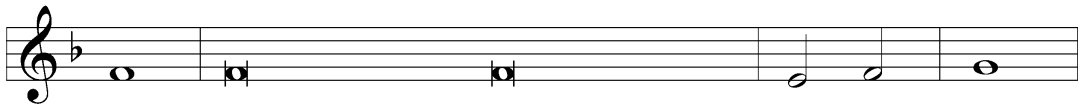
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Gloria in Excelsis

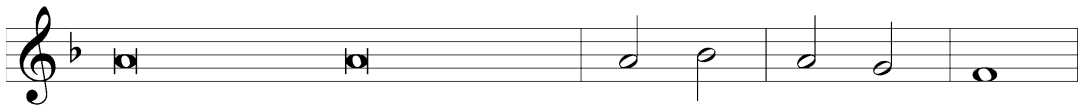
Luke 2:14; John 1:29



**P** Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



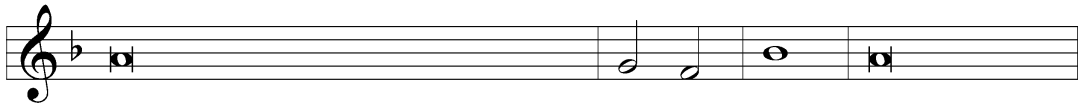
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



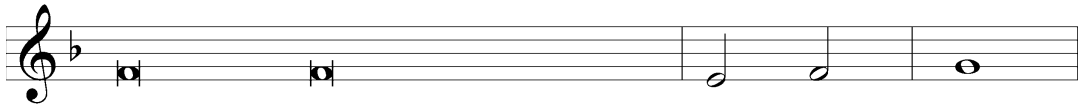
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.

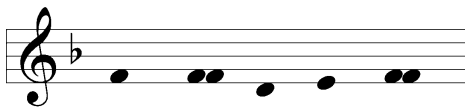


Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.



**P** Let us pray.

**P** Lord God, You made Your beloved Son, our Savior, subject to the Law and caused Him to shed His blood on our behalf. Grant us the true circumcision of the Spirit that our hearts may be made pure from all sins; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*Sit*

### Old Testament Reading: Numbers 6:22–27

*Numbers 6:22–27*

<sup>22</sup>The LORD spoke to Moses, saying, <sup>23</sup>“Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the people of Israel: you shall say to them,

<sup>24</sup>The LORD bless you and keep you;

<sup>25</sup>the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;

<sup>26</sup>the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

<sup>27</sup>“So shall they put my name upon the people of Israel, and I will bless them.”

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

### Gradual

*Hebrews 8:10; 10:17*

This is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel  
**after those days, declares the Lord:**

I will put my laws into their minds,  
**and write them on their hearts.**

I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

**I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.**

### Epistle: Galatians 3:23–29

*Galatians 3:23–29*

<sup>23</sup>Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup>So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup>But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, <sup>26</sup>for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith.

<sup>27</sup>For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. <sup>28</sup>There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for

you are all one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup>And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.      **C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

### Alleluia



**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

### Holy Gospel: Luke 2:21

*Luke 2:21*

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.



**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>21</sup>And at the end of eight days, when he was circumcised, he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

### Nicene Creed

- C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God, begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,



by whom all things were made;  
 who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
 and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;  
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
 He suffered and was buried.  
 And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
 and ascended into heaven  
 and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
 And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
 whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
 who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
 who spoke by the prophets.  
 And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
 and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
 and the life † of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

### 898 The Ancient Law Departs

LSB 898



1 The an - cient Law de - parts, And all its fears re - move,  
 2 The Light of Light di - vine, True bright - ness un - de - filed,  
 3 His in - fant bod - y now Be - gins the cross to feel;  
 4 To - day the name is Thine At which we bend the knee.  
 △ 5 All praise, e - ter - nal Son, For Thy re - deem - ing love,



For Je - sus makes with faith - ful hearts A cov - e - nant of love.  
 He bears for us the pain of sin, A ho - ly, spot-less child.  
 Those pre-cious drops of blood that flow For death the vic-tim seal.  
 They call Thee Je - sus, child di-vine; Our Je - sus deign to be.  
 With Fa - ther, Spir - it, ev - er one In glo-rious might a - bove.

## Offering

*Stand*

## Offertory

*Psalm 51:10-12*

**C** Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

## Prayer of the Church

- P** Everlasting Father, our time is in Your hands. Thank You for Your gracious favor throughout the past year. Preserve us in the days to come through the changes and chances of this mortal life, and bring us at last to that blessed day when every barrier and division shall be healed, when time itself shall end and we shall be one people, together in Your presence forevermore. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.

**P** Heavenly Father, in great tenderness toward us You sent Your Son into our flesh to fulfill the Law in perfect love. Grant to Your baptized children throughout the world joy in Your will and a desire to walk in Your ways. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Great are You, O Lord, and greatly to be praised. Let Your name be blessed every day among our families and in our homes, that one generation may tell to the next the wonderful works You have wrought in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Almighty God, bring an end to the hatred and violence that threaten all people. Order our days and our doings by Your Word. Give wisdom to our president, Congress, judges and all in authority over us. Deliver us from every danger, and establish Your peace throughout the world. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Gracious Father, preserve those who are sick or suffering [*especially* \_\_\_\_\_] in the hope that You alone can give, for Your Son has borne our sins and infirmities on the cross and rose triumphant from the grave. According to Your good pleasure, grant them healing and relief. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Grant us hearts of repentance, that we would approach the table of Your Son with a clean heart and receive with faith His very body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins. Bless our congregation with unity of faith and harmony of life, that here on earth we would manifest Your everlasting love, kindness and peace. Lord, in Your mercy, **C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth! You made Your Son a little lower than the heavenly beings for our salvation, and now He sits enthroned in heaven, crowned with glory and honor. Receive our thanks for all who have gone before us, who bore Your name in this world and now stand before You in heaven. Bless us all in this new year, and preserve us in faith until that day when we also stand before You in glory; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C** **Amen.**

# Service of the Sacrament

## Preface

*2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]*



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

## Proper Preface

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for in the mystery of the Word made flesh You have given us a new revelation of Your glory that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may know and love those things which are not seen. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**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.**

**The Words of Our Lord** *Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✝}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✝}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

**Pax Domini**

*John 20:19*



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

**Agnus Dei**

*John 1:29*



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the  
world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Sit

## Distribution Hymns

### 364 Away in a Manger

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1 A - way in a man - ger, no crib for a bed,  
2 The cat - tle are low - ing, the ba - by a - wakes,  
3 Be near me, Lord Je - sus; I ask Thee to stay

The lit - tle Lord Je - sus laid down His sweet head.  
But lit - tle Lord Je - sus, no cry - ing He makes.  
Close by me for - ev - er and love me, I pray.

The stars in the sky \_\_\_\_\_ looked down where He lay,  
I love Thee, Lord Je - sus! Look down from the sky,  
Bless all the dear chil - dren in Thy ten - der care,

The lit - tle Lord Je - sus a - sleep on the hay.  
And stay by my cra - dle till morn - ing is nigh.  
And take us to heav - en to live with Thee there.

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# 359 Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

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1 Lo, how a rose e'er bloom - ing From ten - der stem hath  
 2 I - sa - iah 'twas fore - told it, The rose I have in  
 3 This flow'r, whose fra - grance ten - der With sweet - ness fills the  
 4 O Sav - ior, child of Mar - y, Who felt our hu - man



sprung! Of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing As proph - ets long have  
 mind; With Mar - y we be - hold it, The vir - gin moth - er  
 air, Dis - pels with glo - rious splen - dor The dark - ness ev - 'ry -  
 woe; O Sav - ior, King of glo - ry, Who dost our weak - ness



sung, It came, a flow - 'ret bright, A - mid the  
 kind. To show God's love a - right, She bore to  
 where. True man, yet ver - y God, From sin and  
 know: Bring us at length we pray To the bright



cold of win - ter, When half - spent was the night.  
 us a Sav - ior, When half - spent was the night.  
 death He saves us And light - ens ev - 'ry load.  
 courts of heav - en, And to the end - less day.

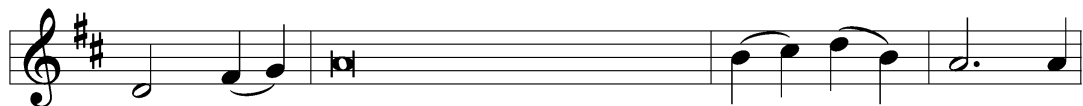
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Stand



# Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29-32



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and



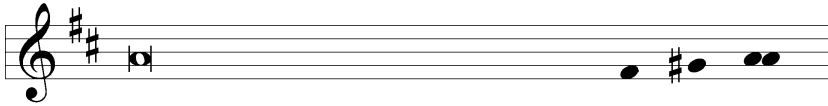
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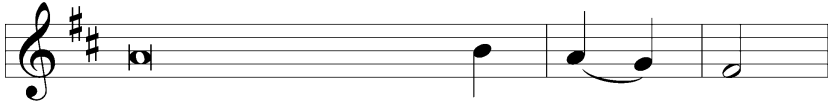
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## Thanksgiving

*Psalm 107:1*



**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

## Post-Communion Collect

**A** Let us pray.

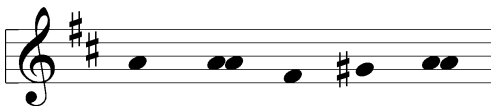
O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## Salutation

*2 Timothy 4:22*



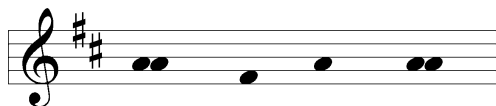
**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

## Benedicamus

*Psalm 103:1*



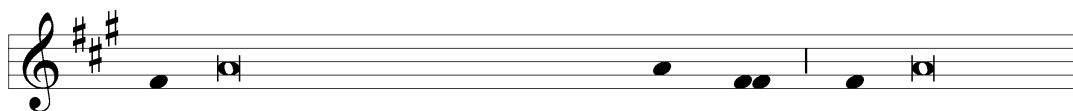
**A** Bless we the Lord.



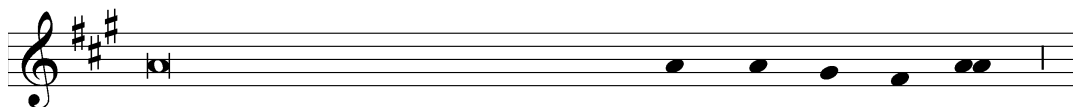
**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

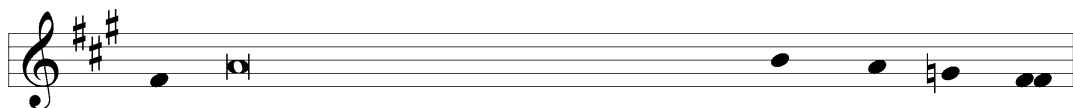
*Numbers 6:24–26*



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

# 546 O Jesus So Sweet, O Jesus So Mild

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1 O Je - sus so sweet, O Je - sus so mild! For  
 2 O Je - sus so sweet, O Je - sus so mild! With  
 3 O Je - sus so sweet, O Je - sus so mild! Joy



sin - ners You be - came a child. You came from  
 God we now are rec - on - ciled. You have for  
 fills the world which sin de - filed. What - e'er we



heav - en down to earth In hu - man flesh through  
 all the ran - som paid, Your Fa - ther's righ - teous  
 have be - longs to You; O keep us faith - ful,



hu - man birth. O Je - sus so sweet, O Je - sus so mild!  
 an - ger stayed. O Je - sus so sweet, O Je - sus so mild!  
 strong, and true. O Je - sus so sweet, O Je - sus so mild!

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