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Hymn—20, “When All the World Was Cursed”

Invocation and Confession of Sins (p. 38)

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First Lesson—Isaiah 49:1-6 EHV

The Servant of the Lord

¹Listen to me, you coastlands. Pay attention, you far away peoples! The LORD called me from the womb. When I was inside my mother he mentioned my name. ²He made my mouth like a sharpened sword. He hid me in the shadow of his hand. He made me a polished arrow. He concealed me in his quiver. ³He said to me, “You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will display my glory.” ⁴But I myself said, “I have labored in vain. I spent my strength and got nothing at all. Yet my verdict is with the LORD, and my reward is with my God.” ⁵But now the LORD who formed me from the womb to be his servant, to turn Jacob back to him, so that Israel might be gathered to him, so that I will be honored in the eyes of the LORD, and my God has become my strength— ⁶the LORD said, “It is too small a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the ones I have kept in Israel, so I will appoint you to be a light for the nations so that my salvation may be known to the end of the earth.” ⁷This is what the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel, its Holy One, says to the one deeply despised, to one abhorred by the nation, to the servant of rulers: “Kings will see and stand up. Public officials will see, and they will bow down, because of the LORD, who is faithful, because of the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

Psalm of the Day—Psalm 89 (p. 18)

Second Lesson—1 Corinthians 1:1-6 EHV

Through Jesus We Have Fellowship with the Lord

¹Paul, called to be an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, ²To the church of God in Corinth—those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, who are called as saints—along with all in every place who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, their Lord and ours: ³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ! ⁴I always thank my God for you because of the grace of God given to you in Christ Jesus. ⁵You were enriched in him in every way, in all your speaking and all your knowledge, ⁶because the testimony about Christ was established in you. ⁷As

a result you do not lack any gift as you eagerly wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸He will also keep you strong until the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful, who called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Verse of the Day—Alleluia. He said to me, “You are my servant in whom I will display my splendor.” Alleluia. (Isaiah 49:3)

Gospel—John 1:29-42 EHV

Jesus the Lamb of God

²⁹The next day, John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Look! The Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!” ³⁰This is the one I was talking about when I said, ‘The one coming after me outranks me because he existed before me.’ ³¹I myself did not know who he was, but I came baptizing with water so that he would be revealed to Israel.” ³²John also testified, “I saw the Spirit descend like a dove from heaven and remain on him. ³³I myself did not recognize him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘The one on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, he is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.’ ³⁴I saw this myself and have testified that this is the Son of God.” ³⁵The next day, John was standing there again with two of his disciples. ³⁶When John saw Jesus passing by, he said, “Look! The Lamb of God!” ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸When Jesus turned around and saw them following him, he asked, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?” ³⁹He told them, “Come, and you will see.” So they came and saw where he was staying. They stayed with him that day. It was about the tenth hour. ⁴⁰Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of the two who heard John and followed Jesus. ⁴¹The first thing Andrew did was to find his own brother Simon and say to him, “We have found the Messiah!” (which is translated “the Christ”). ⁴²He brought him to Jesus.

Hymn—86, “The Only Son from Heaven”

Sermon—John 1:29-41

Make Jesus Known

1. First learn who He is
2. Then bring others to Him

Apostles’ Creed (p. 41)

Offering

Prayer of the Church and Lord’s Prayer (p. 41)

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Hymn—577 “Rise, O Light of Gentile Nations”

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