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Divine Service

Sundays

10:00 a.m.

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"And they continued steadfastly in the Apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers." - Acts 2:42

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GUESTS! Welcome! We're grateful for your presence and sincerely hope that you will find our *liturgical service* to be a blessing as it ties us to the church of past, the church in heaven, and to the church of the present—to whom it bears the blessings of God's Word and Sacraments today.

HOLY COMMUNION and GUESTS (both returning and first-time)...



All communicants are to have been instructed in and confess the articles of faith to which we adhere as a member congregation of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS). Therefore, **guests** (*both returning and first-time*) who—before the service—inform a pastor that they are communicant members-in-good-standing of a congregation in communion fellowship with those of The LCMS will be invited to commune. **We thank guests who are not communicants of sister congregations** for honoring our convictions and remaining in the pew during communion distribution. We sincerely desire that you commune

with us. To that end, we urge you to ask a pastor about the class which would prepare you to receive communion in congregations of The LCMS. *All communicants are encouraged to review Christian Questions with Their Answers in the hymnal, pp. 329-330.*

COMMUNION in the PEW... If, due to health issues, you're unable to commune at the altar, be sure to indicate to an usher before the service your desire to be communed in the pew.

Christ Jesus, the Living Bread from Heaven, Feeds the Children of God

Summary of Scripture Lessons for the Day

By the Gospel of "*the Christ, who is God over all, blessed forever*" (Rom. 9:5), we are "*the children of God*" (Rom. 9:8), "*not because of works but because of him who calls*" (Rom. 9:11). Therefore, "*listen diligently*" and "*hear, that your soul may live.*" By His sacrificial death in His flesh and blood, He has made "*an everlasting covenant*" for us. Since He now calls us to Himself, we come to Him "*and eat what is good, and delight ... in rich food*" (Is. 55:2-3). He has come with divine compassion to save us from sin and death and to feed us with Himself. As our Lord Jesus once took bread, "*said a blessing,*" broke the loaves, "*and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds*" (Matt. 14:18-19), He also now takes bread, blesses it by His Word to be His very body, and distributes it to His Church by the hand of His called and ordained servants. Just as "*they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces,*" there is more than enough for His whole Church to eat and to be satisfied (Matt. 14:20).

✠ DIVINE SERVICE ✠

Setting One

PROCESSIONAL HYMN # 602



1 The gifts Christ free - ly gives He gives to you and me
 2 The gifts flow from the font Where He calls us His own;
 3 The gifts of grace and peace From ab - so - lu - tion flow;
 4 The gifts are there each day The ho - ly Word is read;



To be His Church, His bride, His cho - sen, saved and free!
 New life He gives that makes Us His and His a - lone.
 The pas - tor's words are Christ's For us to trust and know.
 God's chil - dren lis - ten, hear, Re - ceive, and they are fed.



Saints blest with these rich gifts Are chil - dren who pro - claim
 Here He for - gives our sins With wa - ter and His Word;
 For - give - ness that we need Is grant - ed to us there;
 Christ fills them with Him - self, Blest words that give them life,



That they were won by Christ And cling to His strong name.
 The tri - une God Him - self Gives pow'r to call Him Lord.
 The Lord of mer - cy sends Us forth in His blest care.
 Re - stor - ing and re - fresh - ing Them for this world's strife.

5 The gifts are in the feast,
 Gifts far more than we see;
 Beneath the bread and wine
 Is food from Calvary.
 The body and the blood
 Remove our ev'ry sin;
 We leave His presence in
 His peace, renewed again.

6 All glory to the One
 Who lavishes such love;
 The triune God in love
 Assures our life above.
 His means of grace for us
 Are gifts He loves to give;
 All thanks and praise for His
 Great love by which we live!

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

1 John 1:8–9

[P] *If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.*

[C] **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(Silence for reflection on God's Word, our sins, and His promise of Absolution)

CONFESSION OF SINS

[P] *Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.*

[C] **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

[John 20:19–23]

[P] *Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

[C] **Amen.**

The Service of the Word

INTROIT

Psalm 105:39-43; antiphon: v. 1



Antiphon: [P] Oh give thanks to the LORD; call up- | on his name;
make known his deeds among the | peoples!*

P *He spread a cloud for a | covering,*
and fire to give | light by night.*

C They asked, and he | brought quail,*
and gave them bread from heaven in a- | bundance.

P *He opened the rock, and water | gushed out;*
it flowed through the desert like a | river.*

C For he remembered his holy | promise,*
and Abraham, his | servant.

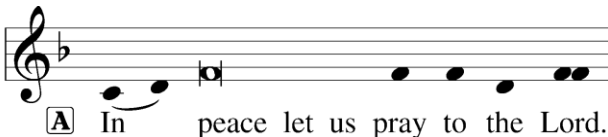
P *So he brought his people | out with joy,*
his chosen ones with | singing.*

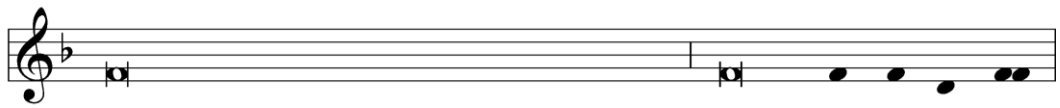
C Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Antiphon: [P] Oh give thanks to the LORD; call up- | on his name;
make known his deeds among the | peoples!*

KYRIE ~ Lord, Have Mercy

Mark 10:47





A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



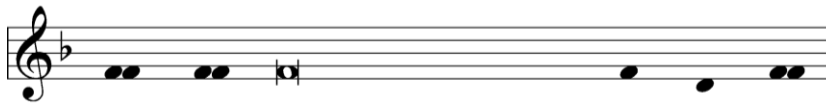
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



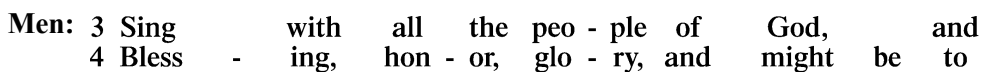
A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.



Men: 1 — Wor-ty is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 Women: 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and



Men: 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to

Women: 5 For the Lamb — who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*

gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

SALUTATION

2 Timothy 4:22



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P *Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

C **Amen.**

READINGS OF HOLY SCRIPTURE

Old Testament: Isaiah 55:1–5

- ¹ “Come, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and he who has no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.
- ² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?
Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.
- ³ Incline your ear, and come to me;
hear, that your soul may live;
and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.
- ⁴ Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.
- ⁵ Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know,
and a nation that did not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.”

P *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

¹*Give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good,**
for his steadfast love endures for- | ever.

²*Give thanks to the | God of gods,**
for his steadfast love endures for- | ever.

³*Give thanks to the | Lord of lords,**
for his steadfast love endures for- | ever;

⁴*to him who alone does great | wonders,**
for his steadfast love endures for- | ever;

⁵*to him who by understanding made the | heavens,**
for his steadfast love endures for- | ever;

⁶*to him who spread out the earth above the | waters,**
for his steadfast love endures for- | ever;

⁷*to him who made the | great lights,**
for his steadfast love endures for- | ever;

⁸*the sun to rule o- | ver the day,**
for his steadfast love endures for- | ever;

⁹*the moon and stars to rule o- | ver the night,**
for his steadfast love endures for- | ever;

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Epistle: Romans 9:1–13

¹I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit — ²that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. ⁴They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. ⁵To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.

⁶But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel, ⁷and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring, but “Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.” ⁸This means that

it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring. ⁹For this is what the promise said: "About this time next year I will return and Sarah shall have a son." ¹⁰And not only so, but also when Rebecca had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, ¹¹though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad – in order that God's purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of his call – ¹²she was told, "The older will serve the younger." ¹³As it is written, "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated."

P *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia:

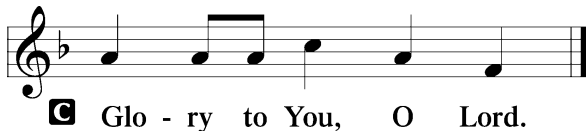
John 6:68



C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 14:13–21

P *The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.*



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹³Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John], he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶But Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." ¹⁸And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the

five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

P *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*



THE CREED ~ 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.



1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, How well You
 2 My Lord, You here have led me To this most
 3 You gave me all I want - ed; This food can
 4 Lord, grant me then, thus strength - ened With heav'n - ly



feed Your guest! The gifts that You have giv - en
 ho - ly place And with Your - self have fed me
 death de - stroy. And You have free - ly grant - ed
 food, while here My course on earth is length - ened,



Have filled my heart with rest. Oh, won - drous food of
 The trea - sures of Your grace; For You have free - ly
 The cup of end - less joy. My Lord, I do not
 To serve with ho - ly fear. And when You call my



bles - sing, Oh, cup that heals our woes! My heart, this
 giv - en What earth could nev - er buy, The bread of
 mer - it The fa - vor You have shown, And all my
 spir - it To leave this world be - low, I en - ter,



gift pos - sess - ing, With prais - es o - ver - flows.
 life from heav - en, That now I shall not die.
 soul and spir - it Bow down be - fore Your throne.
 through Your mer - it, Where joys un - min - gled flow.

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SERMON

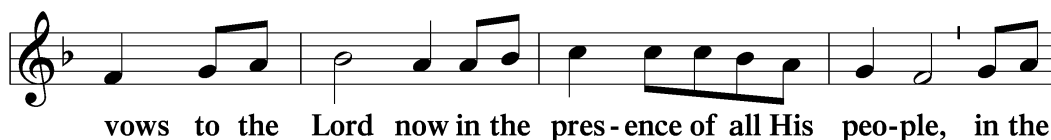
"Unheard and Overlooked" – Matthew 14:15-18

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each petition: **P** "LORD, in your mercy," or **P** "Let us pray to the LORD"
 C "Hear our prayer!" **C** "LORD, have mercy."

OFFERING & OFFERTORY

Psalm 116:12–13, 17–19

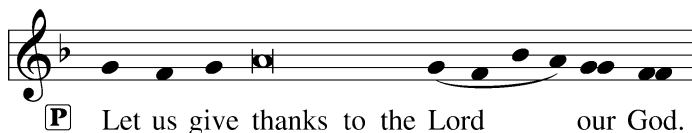
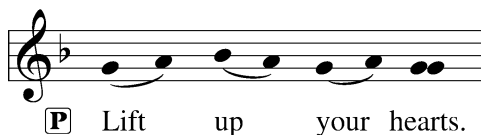
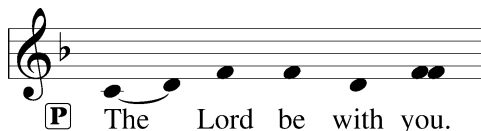


The Service of Holy Communion

- ✙ **Guests** (*both returning and first-time*), please refer to “Holy Communion and Guests” on page two.
- ✙ **Communicants**, to receive the Body of Christ in your hand, **extend your hand**. To receive our Lord’s Blood from either the individual glass or the Common Cup, **extend your open hand** when the cup you prefer is offered.

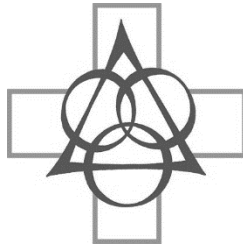
PREFACE

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



PROPER PREFACE

P *It is truly good, 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, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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 ~ Holy, Holy, Holy

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. 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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P *Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.*

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

(*notes brief pause as bell tone rings, after which the Prayer continues)

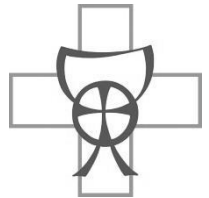
C *Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; *give us this day our daily bread;	and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.*
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THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

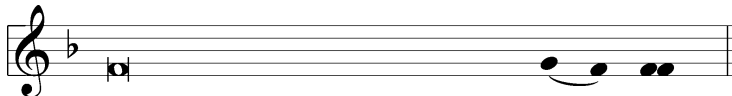
P *Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."*

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 ✠ 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 ~ *The Peace of the Lord*

John 20:19



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



A - men.

AGNUS DEI ~ *Lamb of God*

John 1:29



Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION



1 I come, O Sav - ior, to Thy ta - ble, For weak and
 2 Thy heart is filled with fer - vent yearn - ing That sin - ners
 3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I
 4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my
 5 What high - er gift can we in - her - it? It is faith's



wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a -
 may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in
 have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt
 soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -
 bond and sol - id base; It is the strength of



lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole:
 faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.
 ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:
 ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.
 heart and spir - it, The cov - e - nant of hope and grace.

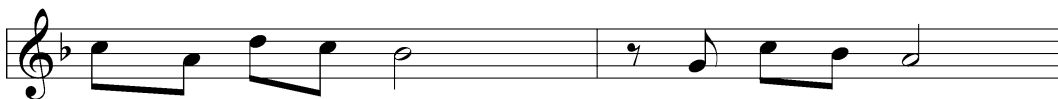


Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!



1 What is this bread?
 2 What is this wine?
 3 So who am I,
 4 Yet is God here?
 5 Is this for me?

Christ's bod - y
 The blood of
 That I should
 Oh, yes! By
 I am for -



ris - en from the dead:
 Je - sus shed for mine;
 live and He should die
 Word and prom - ise clear,
 giv - en and set free!

This bread we break,
 The cup of grace
 Un - der the rod?
 In mouth and soul
 I do be - lieve



This life we take,
 Brings His em - brace
 My God, my God,
 He makes us whole—
 That I re - ceive

Was crushed to pay for our re -
 Of life and love un - til I
 Why have You not for - sak - en
 Christ, tru - ly pres - ent in this
 His ver - y bod - y and His



lease.
 sing!
 me?
 meal.
 blood.

O taste and see—
 O taste and see—
 O taste and see—
 O taste and see—
 O taste and see—

the Lord is peace.
 the Lord is King.
 the Lord is free.
 the Lord is real.
 the Lord is good.



1 O gra - cious Lord, I firm - ly am be - liev - ing
 2 Lord, I have sinned, a thou - sand times of - fend - ing;
 3 You see my sin yet seat me at Your ta - ble;
 4 O Lamb of God, my faith - ful, lov - ing Sav - ior,
 5 Heav - en - ly Bread, my life and ben - e - dic - tion,



Your bound - less love will bless each faith - ful soul,
 My thank - less thoughts and words and deeds e - raise,
 Lord, as a guest, I sure - ly am the least:
 You I em - brace in faith and ho - ly love;
 This cup You give can take a - way each ill.



As from this al - tar we are here re - ceiv - ing
 To me Your hand of mer - cy now ex - tend - ing,
 Un - clean, un - fit, of wor - thy deeds un - a - ble—
 Grant me the strength to show by my be - hav - ior
 Come and re - lieve my soul from all af - flic - tion;



Your bod - y and Your blood to make us whole,
 O God, my Sav - ior, I im - plore Your grace,
 My heart pre - pare for this most ho - ly feast,
 A life now hid - den in Your reign a - bove,
 Calm ev - 'ry sigh un - til my heart is still,



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1 Wide o - pen stand the gates a - dorned with pearl, While
 2 He speaks the Word the bread and wine to bless: "This
 3 The cher - u - bim, their fac - es veiled from light, While



round God's gold - en throne The choirs of saints in
 is My flesh and blood!" He bids us eat and
 saints in won - der kneel, Sing praise to Him whose



end - less cir - cles curl, And joy - ous praise the Son!
 drink with thank - ful - ness This gift of ho - ly food.
 face with glo - ry bright No earth - ly masks con - ceal.



They watch Him now de - scend - ing To vis - it wait-ing earth.
 All hu - man thought must fal - ter— Our God stoops low to heal,
 This sac - ra - ment God gives us Binds us in u - ni - ty,



The Lord of Life un - end - ing Brings dy - ing hope new birth!
 Now pres - ent on the al - tar, For us both host and meal!
 Joins earth with heav'n be - yond us, Time with e - ter - ni - ty!

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE ~ *Thank the Lord* [Psalm 105:1-3, 42-43]; [1 Chronicles 16:8-10]



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'-ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P *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 Amen.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

P *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.*

C Amen.



1 Guide me, O Thou great Re - deem - er, Pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain Whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might - y;
 stream doth flow; Let the fi - ery, cloud - y pil - lar
 fears sub - side; Death of death and hell's de - struc - tion,



Hold me with Thy pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en,
 Lead me all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer,
 Land me safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es,



bread of heav - en, Feed me till I want no
 strong de - liv - 'rer, Be Thou still my strength and
 songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to



more; shield; Feed me till I want no more.
 Thee; Be Thou still my strength and shield.
 I will ev - er give to Thee.

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POSTLUDE

~ Announcements ~

♦ Sunday Christian Education Classes ♦

Adult, Youth, and Children's Sunday Christian Education (Bible Study) Classes are *on hiatus* for the month of August, but will reconvene on September 6. See forthcoming announcements for details on new class topics and class locations. In the meantime ... **A three-part presentation, "All the Days of Our Lives, in the House of the Lord,"** is offered. See opposite page for details.

COFFEE AND DONUTS in the Courtyard before and after Sunday worship services.

"BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD" ...

- ♦ **For the HARD-OF-HEARING** ... Hearing-assistance devices available from the ushers.
[Those with pacemakers should check with physician before using devices]. Additionally,
- ♦ **For CHILDREN** ... A room from which the service can both be seen and heard is in the back of the sanctuary for children who may need it during the service.

PRIVATE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION ... If you'd like to schedule an appointment for private (individual) confession and absolution, please speak with one of the pastors.

MISSION VOLUNTEER 'RITE OF SENDING' ... Today, during the Divine Service, congregational member *Nonso Mogor* will commit himself to a short-term mission opportunity which is under the auspices of our Synod's Office of International Mission. LCMS missionaries serving throughout Latin America are gathering in Wittenberg, Germany, for their annual regional conference – a time of worship, study, fellowship, and renewal. During the conference, Nonso will serve on a volunteer team leading a Vacation Bible School program for the missionaries' children. Please keep Nonso and the missionary families in your prayers during this conference. Also, look for Nonso's article on *Artificial Intelligence*, which will be a feature article in the August *Lutheran Witness* periodical.

PASTOR'S VACATION... Pastor J. Bestul is away from congregational duties from July 27-August 17. If emergency pastoral care is needed, please call Pastor Debner.

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY MORNING ... In preparation for next Sunday morn...
Occasion: Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost; *Lessons:* Job 34:4-18, Romans 10:5-17, Matthew 14:22-33; *Hymn of the Day:* 717, "Eternal Father Strong to Save."

WORDS OF WISDOM ... "All the ways of a man are pure in his own eyes, but the Lord weighs the spirit." Proverbs 16:2

LCOS SUMMER PICNIC 2026 ...NEXT SUNDAY! LCOS hosts its Summer Picnic next Sunday, August 9, from 12:30–2:30. Enjoy a cookout, Christian camaraderie, games, and more. Bring a friend! **Sign up at the table in the courtyard today.**

CHURCH MUSIC IN THE LUTHERAN TRADITION ... “*All the days of our lives, in the house of the Lord*” –Thus declares King Hezekiah about singing and playing stringed instruments to the glory of God (Isaiah 38:20). But did you know that, for more than 1000 years, there were no instruments at all in Christian worship? **The first segment of the presentation was this morning from 8:30-9:30 in the Parish Hall. The second and third parts of the presentation are scheduled for the next two Sundays...same time and place.** Our thanks to LCOS Choir Director Paul Kvamme, who leads us in this review of the history of church music in the Lutheran tradition.

THE 2026 NATIONAL SYNOD CONVENTION ... The 69th regular convention of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod was recently held in Phoenix, Arizona. Synod officers and board members were elected; resolutions were offered, debated, and adopted or declined; essays were shared, and men and women from all around the synod, and from many countries of the world, celebrated our shared confession. **A post-convention report** will be given by your electoral-circuit delegates (Mr. Brian Yamabe, Pastor John Bestul) in approximately late August, early September.

“WE BELIEVE, TEACH, & CONFESS” ... Interested in a class that presents the fundamental teachings of Scripture, as confessed by The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and that leads to communicant membership in the congregation? Or, interested in a review? If so, please contact Pastor J. Bestul (408.252.0345, pastorjbestul@lcos.org).

LWML MITES BOX ... The Lutheran Women’s Missionary League Mites Box is in the narthex today to receive your contributions for its mission projects, which are listed and described on the Ad Wing bulletin board.

“WHAT ABOUT...?” ... Have you ever wondered: “What about...Baptism?” “What about...Death and Dying?” or “What about...Lutheran Worship?” Know someone who has? A different “What About” pamphlet of the LCMS is available on the narthex cart every Sunday morn. Today’s feature: ***“What About... Confession and Absolution?”***

OTHER NARTHEX PERIODICALS... We walk by them every Sunday morn, so they’re well within arm’s reach: *Portals of Prayer, For the Life of the World, Good News magazine.*