

September 1, 2024

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Hymn of Invocation: Come, Thou Almighty King

LSB 905



1 Come, Thou al - might - y King, Help us Thy
2 Come, Thou in - car - nate Word, Gird on Thy
3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, Thy sa - cred
△ 4 To Thee, great One in Three, E - ter - nal



name to sing; Help us to praise; Fa - ther all -
might - y sword; Our prayer at - tend. Come and Thy
wit - ness bear In this glad hour! Thou, who al -
prais - es be Hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - 'reign



glo - ri - ous, O'er all vic - to - ri - ous,
peo - ple bless, And give Thy Word suc - cess,
might - y art, Now rule in ev - 'ry heart,
maj - es - ty May we in glo - ry see,



Come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
And let Thy righ - teous - ness On us de - scend.
And ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.
And to e - ter - ni - ty Love and a - dore.

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Tune: Felice de Giardini, 1716-96
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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

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

C Amen.

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.

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.**

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.

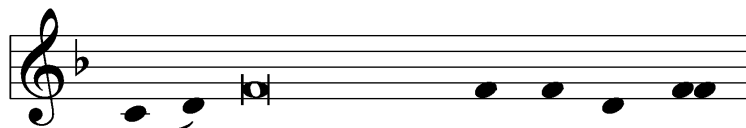
C **Amen.**

Stand

Service of the Word

Kyrie

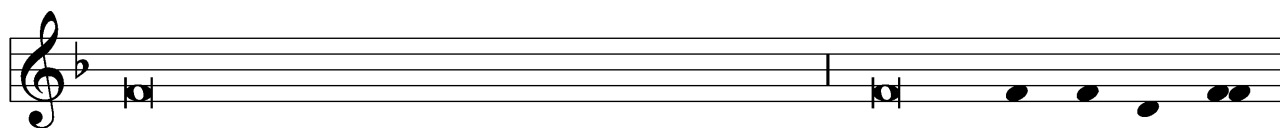
Mark 10:47 LSB 152



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



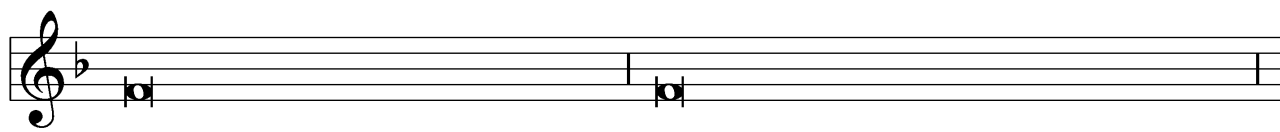
C Lord, have mer - cy.



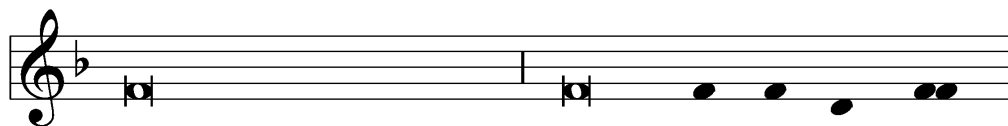
A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



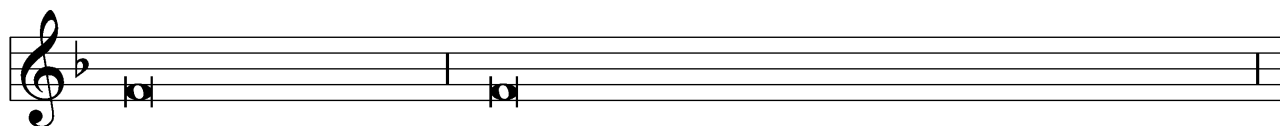
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



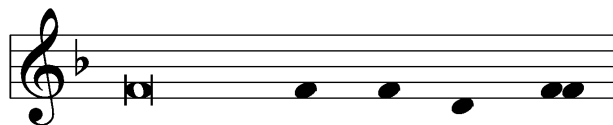
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



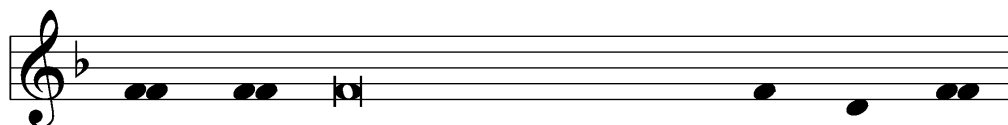
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



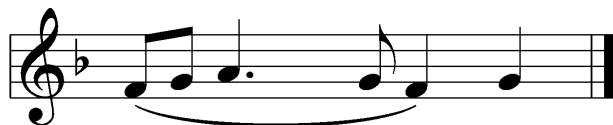
let us pray to the Lord.



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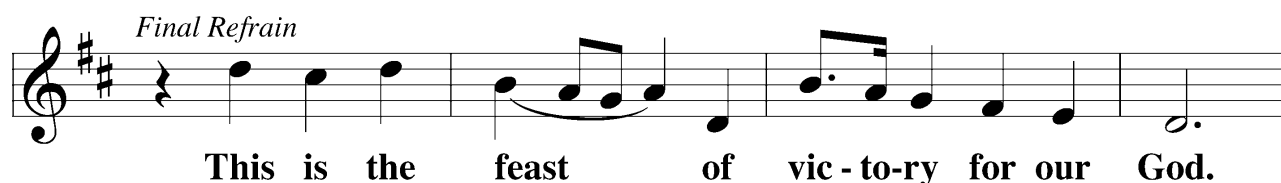
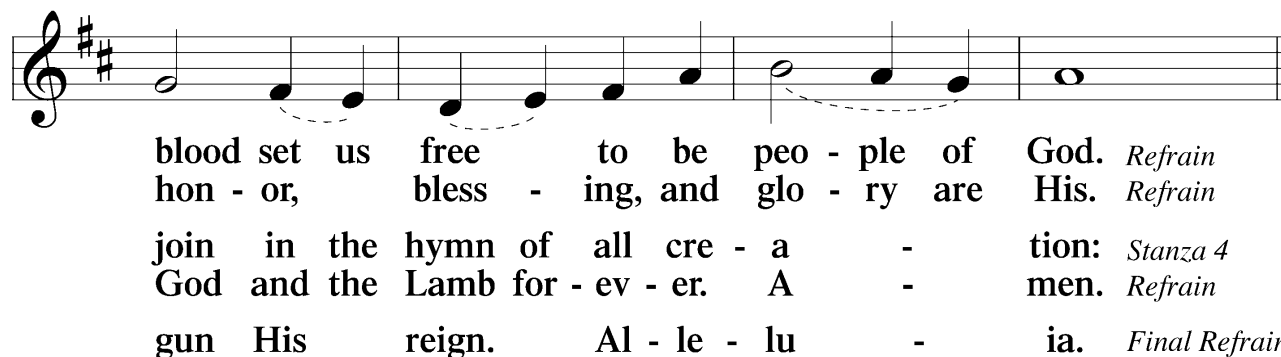
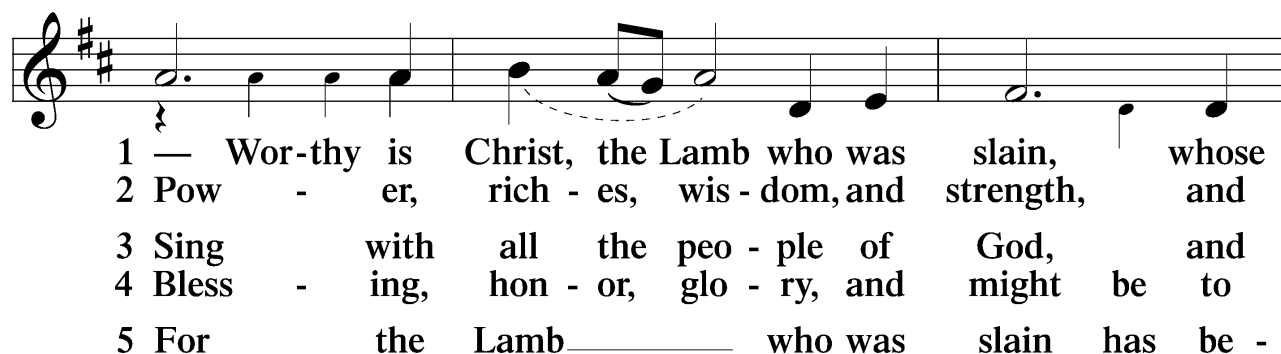
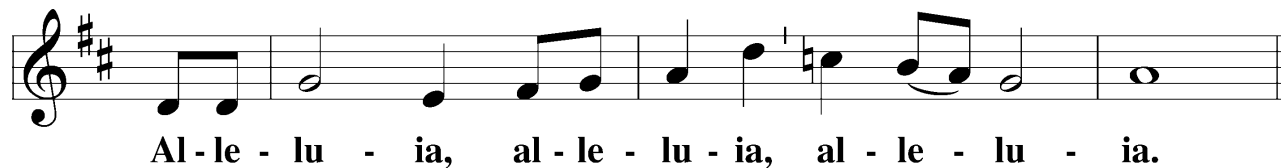
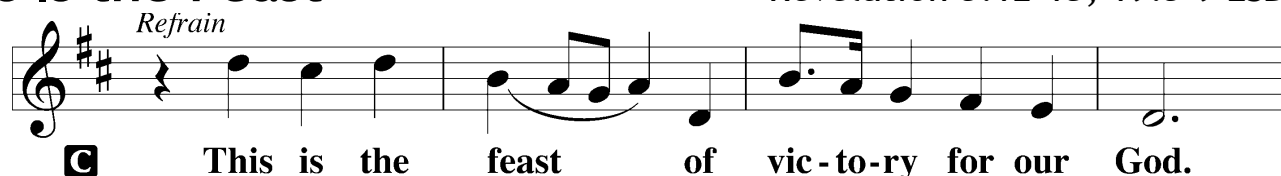
A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



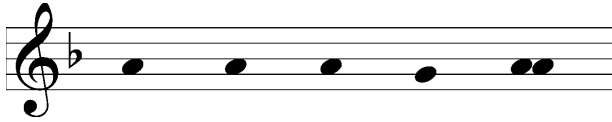
C A - men.

This Is the Feast

Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9 LSB 155



Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, the source of all that is just and good, nourish in us every virtue and bring to completion every good intent that we may grow in grace and bring forth the fruit of good works; 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.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

¹“Now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the just decrees that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. ²You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you. . . .

⁶Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, ‘Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.’ ⁷For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? ⁸And what great nation is there, that has statutes and just decrees so righteous as all this law that I set before you today?

⁹“Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children’s children.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.

Fear the LORD, you his saints,
for those who fear him lack nothing!
 Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

Epistle

Ephesians 6:10-20

¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹²For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, ¹⁸praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, ¹⁹and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Common Alleluia and Verse

John 6:68 LSB 156

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

Mark 7:14-23

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹⁴[Jesus] called the people to him again and said to them, “Hear me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him.” ¹⁷And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. ¹⁸And he said to them, “Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, ¹⁹since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?” (Thus he declared all foods clean.) ²⁰And he said, “What comes out of a person is what defiles him. ²¹For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, ²²coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

**☐ 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

Announcements

Hymn of the Day: Be Strong in the Lord

LSB 665

1 Be strong in the Lord In ar - mor of light,
 2 In - teg - ri - ty gird You round to im - part
 3 With ea - ger - ness shod Stand firm in your place,
 4 Though Sa - tan pre - sume To test you and try,
 5 So wield well your blade, Re - joice in its pow'rs,

With hel - met and sword, With shield for the fight;
 The truth of His Word As truth in your heart;
 Or go forth for God With news of His grace;
 In hel - met and plume Your head shall be high;
 Fight on un - dis - mayed For Je - sus is ours!

On prayer be de - pen - dent, Be belt - ed and shod,
 His righ - teous - ness wear - ing As breast - plate of mail,
 No foe shall dis - arm you Nor force you to yield,
 Be - set by temp - ta - tion Be true to your Lord,
 Then in Him vic - to - rious Your ar - mor lay down,

In breast - plate re - splen - dent: The ar - mor of God.
 His vic - to - ry shar - ing, Be strong to pre - vail.
 No ar - row can harm you With faith as your shield.
 Your hel - met sal - va - tion And Scrip - ture your sword.
 To praise, ev - er glo - rious, His cross and His crown.

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Sermon

Rev. Philip Zielinski

*Stand***Offertory***Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19 LSB 159*


C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

*Sit***Offering**

Note: Please continue to place your offerings into the plates as you enter or leave church as we will not be passing the plates through the congregation. The offering plates will be brought forward at this time to remind us that our offerings are given in thankfulness to Him for His blessings to each of us.

*Stand***Prayer of the Church**

- P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
C Lord, have mercy.

P For the gift of the Holy Spirit at work in the Word of truth, that by His direction we would not stray from the way of God's commandments nor forget the wonderful blessings He has given to us, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For preachers of the Word, that the Lord would remember them in His kindness and strengthen them for faithful service; and that He would send new laborers into His harvest and prosper His Law and promises throughout the world, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For all pastors and teachers, parents and grandparents, and all teachers of the faith, that through them we may grow into wisdom and the knowledge of God's love in Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For those who bear public office, that God would give them wisdom, courage and integrity; and for our nation, that God would destroy and hinder in our common lives whatever is not pleasing to Him and prosper all that accords with His will, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For all in need of health, healing and mercy, [including _____,] that the Lord of life would strengthen them with His Word of grace to look to Him for comfort in the midst of suffering and pain, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For all who come to the Holy Sacrament today, that receiving Christ's true body and blood in this Supper, they may remember and proclaim with joy the salvation He accomplished for us by His death and resurrection, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

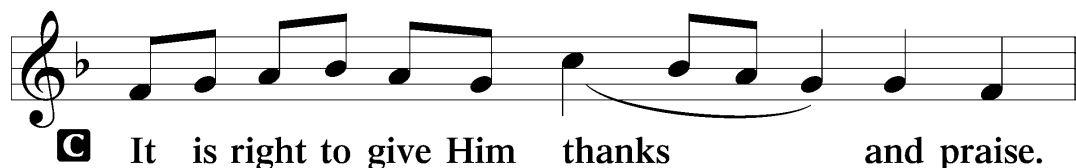
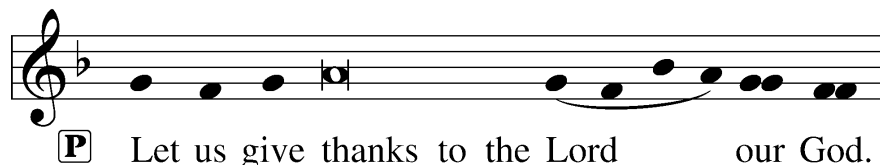
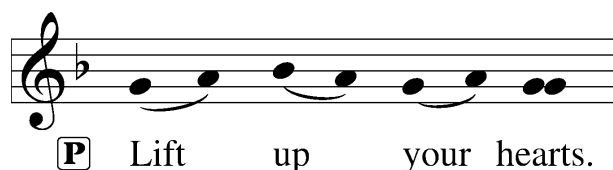
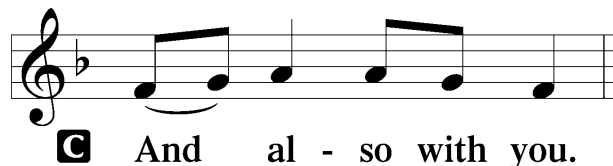
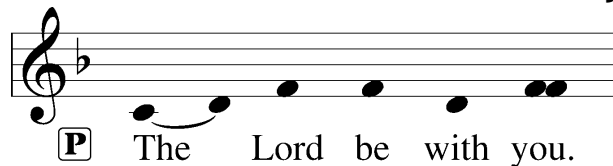
P Lord God, heavenly Father, we offer You our thanks and praise for Your servants who have finished their course in faith and now rest from their labors. Bring us with them to the unspeakable joys of Your new heavens and new earth at the day of our Savior's glorious appearing. Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

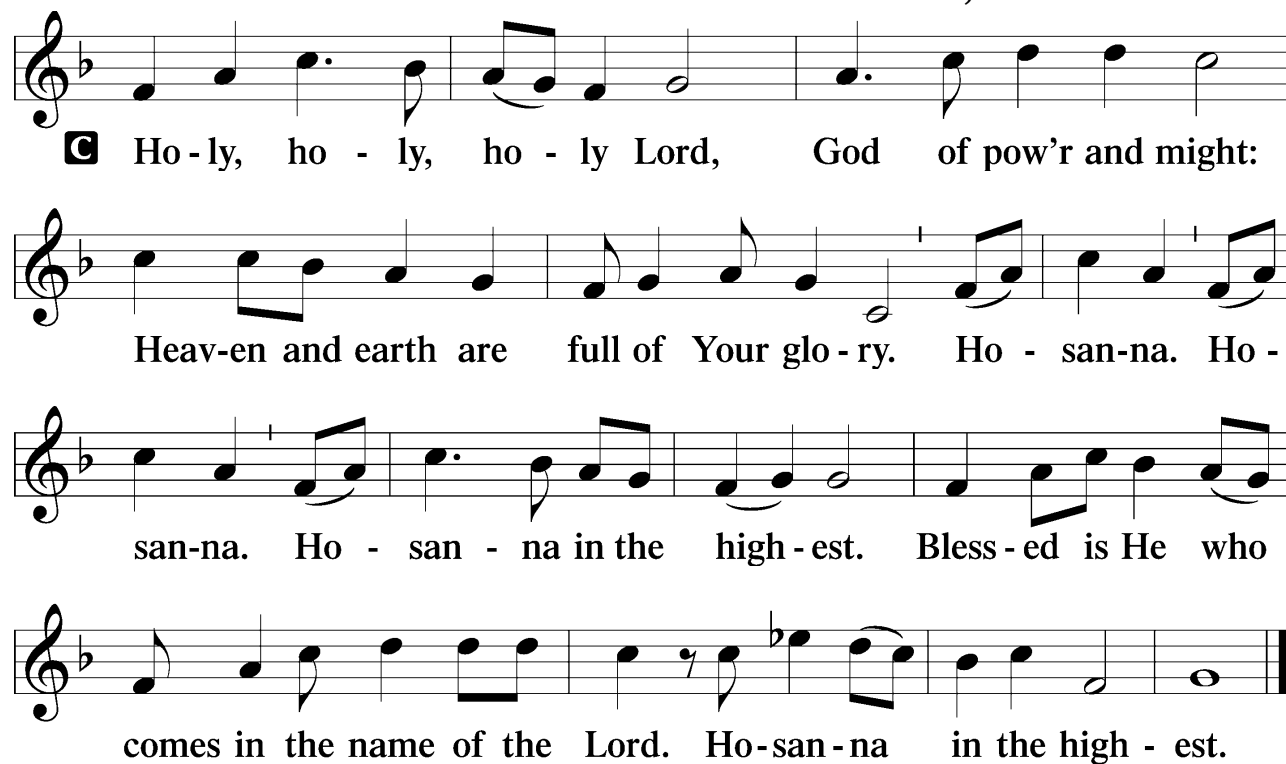
2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136] LSB 160



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, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. 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 LSB 161



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.

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13 LSB 162

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

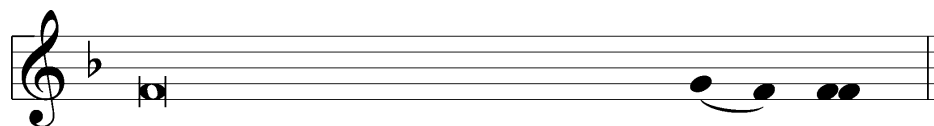
The Words of Our Lord

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

John 20:19 LSB 163



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



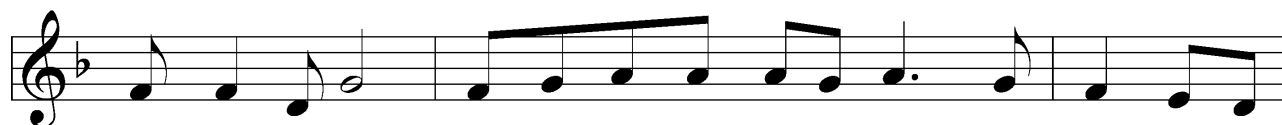
G A - men.

Agnus Dei

John 1:29 LSB 163



G 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.

Sit

Distribution

Hymn: Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You

LSB 668



1 Rise! To arms! With prayer em-ploy you, O Chris-tians, lest the
 2 Cast a - far this world's vain plea - sure And bold - ly strive for
 3 Wise - ly fight, for time is fleet - ing; The hours of grace are



foe de-stroy you; For Sa - tan has de-signed your fall.
 heav'n-ly trea - sure. Be stead-fast in the Sav - ior's might.
 fast re - treat - ing. Short short is this our earth - ly way



Wield God's Word, the weap - on glo - rious; A - gainst all foes be
 Trust the Lord, who stands be - side you, For Je - sus from all
 When the Lord the dead will wak - en And sin - ners all by



thus vic - to - rious, For God pro-pects you from them all.
 harm will hide you. By faith you con-quer in the fight.
 fear are shak - en, The saints with joy will greet that day.



Fear not the hordes of hell, Here is Em - man - u - el.
 Take cour - age, wea - ry soul! Look for - ward to the goal!
 Praise God, our tri-umph's sure. We need not long en-dure



Hail the Sav - ior! The strong foes yield To Christ, our shield,
 Joy a - waits you. The race well run, Your long war won,
 Scorn and tri - al. Our Sav - ior King His own will bring



And we, the vic - tors, hold the field.
 Your crown shines splen - did as the sun.
 To that great glo - ry which we sing.

Hymn: Not What These Hands Have Done

LSB 567



1 Not what these hands have done Can save this guilt - y soul;
 2 Not what I feel or do Can give me peace with God;
 3 Thy work a - lone, O Christ, Can ease this weight of sin;
 4 Thy love to me, O God, Not mine, O Lord, to Thee,



Not what this toil - ing flesh has borne Can make my spir - it whole.
 Not all my prayers and sighs and tears Can bear my aw - ful load.
 Thy blood a - lone, O Lamb of God, Can give me peace with - in.
 Can rid me of this dark un - rest And set my spir - it free.

5 Thy grace alone, O God,
 To me can pardon speak;
 Thy pow'r alone, O Son of God,
 Can this sore bondage break.

6 I bless the Christ of God,
 I rest on love divine,
 And with unfalt'ring lip and heart
 I call this Savior mine.

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Distribution Hymn: God's Word Is Our Great Heritage

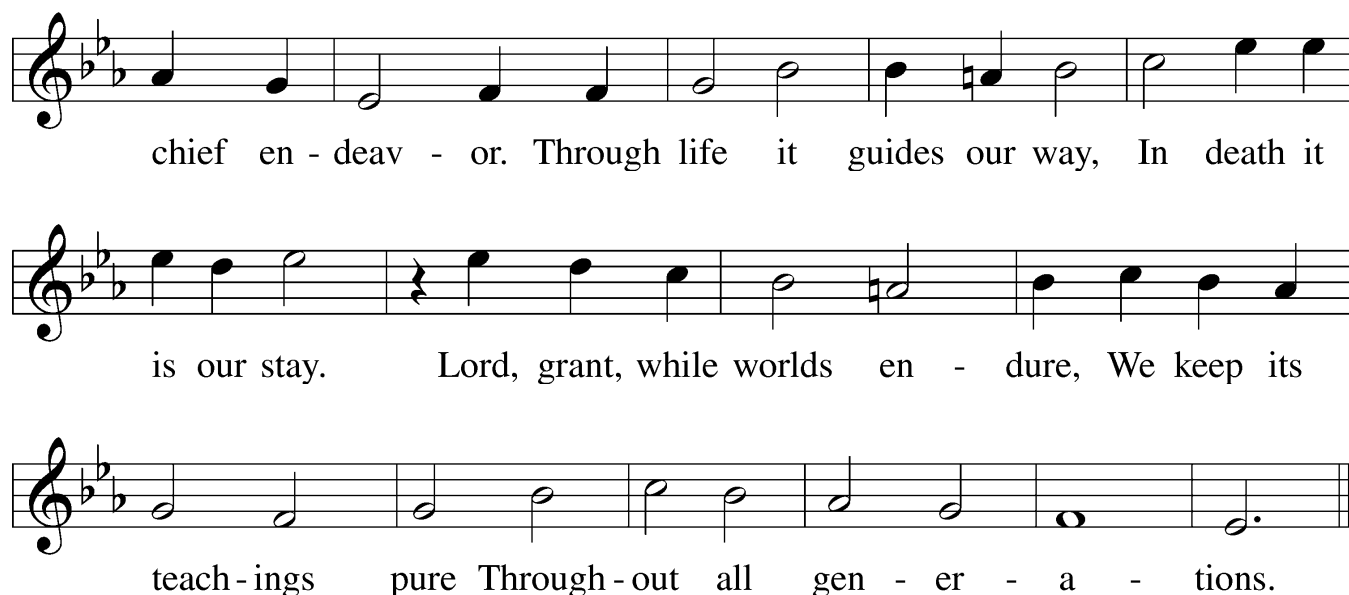
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God's Word is our great her - i - tage And shall be ours for -



ev - er; To spread its light from age to age Shall be our

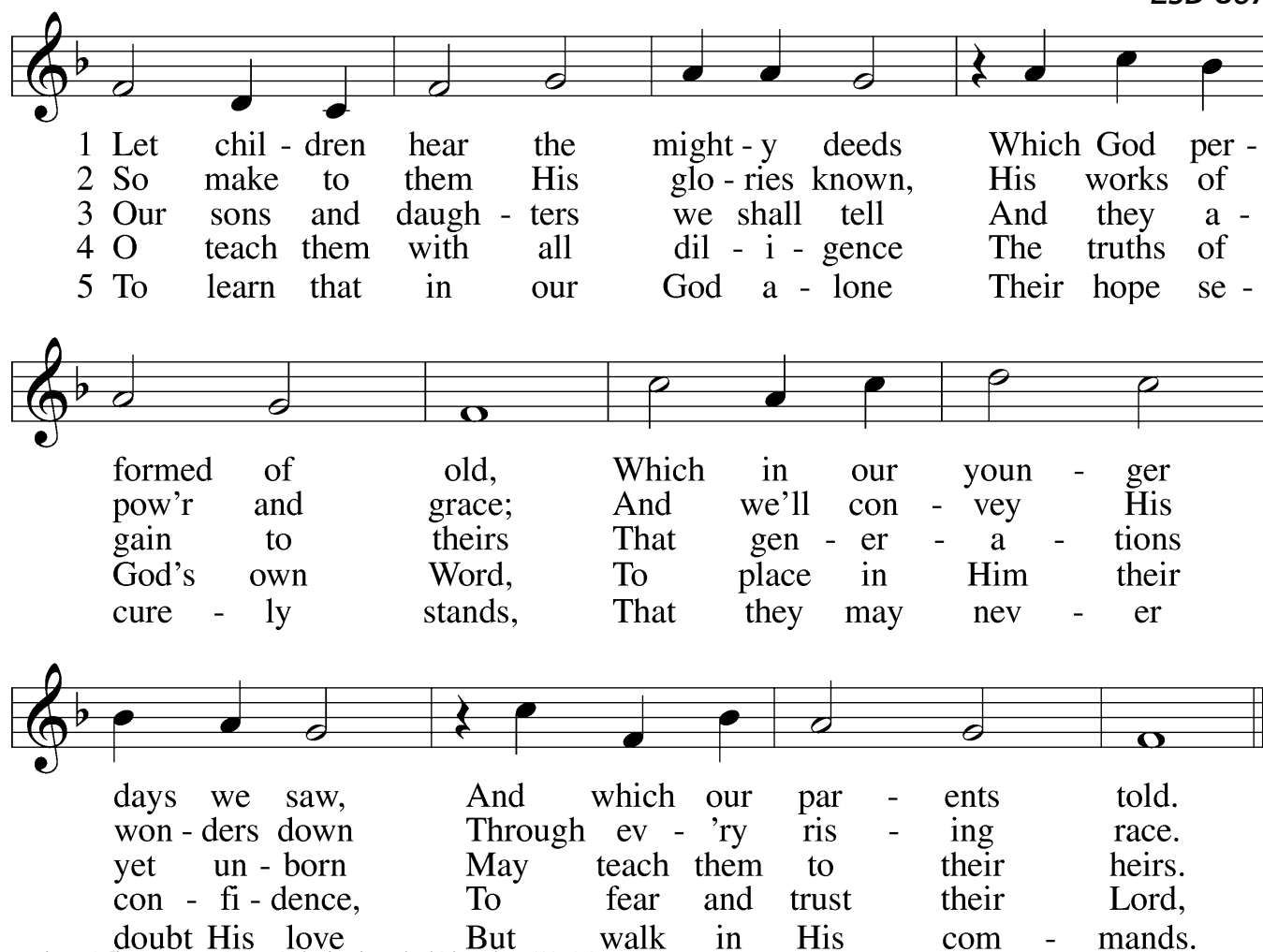


chief en - deav - or. Through life it guides our way, In death it
is our stay. Lord, grant, while worlds en - dure, We keep its
teach - ings pure Through - out all gen - er - a - tions.

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Distribution Hymn: Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds

LSB 867



1 Let chil - dren hear the might - y deeds Which God per -
2 So make to them His glo - ries known, His works of
3 Our sons and daugh - ters we shall tell And they a -
4 O teach them with all dil - i - gence The truths of
5 To learn that in our God a - lone Their hope se -
formed of old, Which in our youn - ger
pow'r and grace; And we'll con - vey His
gain to theirs That gen - er - a - tions
God's own Word, To place in Him their
cure - ly stands, That they may nev - er
days we saw, And which our par - ents told.
won - ders down Through ev - 'ry ris - ing race.
yet un - born May teach them to their heirs.
con - fi - dence, To fear and trust their Lord,
doubt His love But walk in His com - mands.

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*Stand***Communion Dismissal**

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P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C Amen.

Nunc Dimittis*Luke 2:29-32 LSB 165*

C Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre -



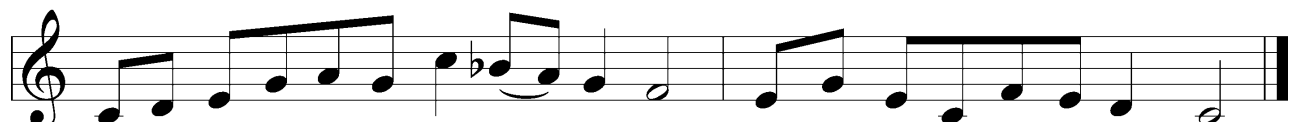
pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -



veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

Post-Communion Collect

P We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; 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 LSB 166



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 A - men.

Closing Hymn: Onward, Christian Soldiers

LSB 662



1 On - ward, Chris - tian sol - diers, March - ing as to war,
 2 Like a might - y ar - my Moves the Church of God;
 3 Crowns and thrones may per - ish, King - doms rise and wane,
 4 On - ward, then, ye faith - ful, Join our hap - py throng,



With the cross of Je - sus Go - ing on be - fore.
 Broth - ers, we are tread - ing Where the saints have trod.
 But the Church of Je - sus Con - stant will re - main.
 Blend with ours your voic - es In the tri - umph song:



Christ, the roy - al mas - ter, Leads a - gainst the foe;
 We are not di - vid - ed, All one bod - y we,
 Gates of hell can nev - er 'Gainst that Church pre - vail;
 Glo - ry, laud, and hon - or Un - to Christ, the king;



For - ward in - to bat - tle See His ban - ners go!
 One in hope and doc - trine, One in char - i - ty.
 We have Christ's own prom - ise, And that can - not fail.
 This through count - less a - ges Men and an - gels sing.



On - ward, Chris - tian sol - diers, March - ing as to war,



With the cross of Je - sus Go - ing on be - fore.

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THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL

ONE WORSHIP SERVICE

Today	8:00 AM	Worship Service
Today		LWML Collecting Mites
Today	9:00 AM	Coffee Fellowship
Sunday	9:15 AM	Acolyte Training
Sunday	9:15 AM	CITV Interest Meeting
Today		NO Sunday School
Today	9:30 AM	Bible Study
Today	10:30 AM	Worship Service
Today		LWML Collecting Mites
Today	12:00 – 2:00 PM	Walk-in Communion
Tuesday	5:00 - 7:00 PM	Walk-in Communion
Sunday	9:15 AM	Sunday School

Christmas in the Valley Interest Meeting TODAY, between services - St. Paul will be hosting part of the Valley City Christmas in the Valley event on December 8 from the end of the second service until 4:00pm. We intend to have the train display again, potentially making it larger than last year. We are looking for some families to adopt a section of the layout and decorate it. We are also looking for ideas for other activities or displays. Please attend the CITV Interest Meeting, Sunday, September 1st or contact Kevin Harris at 440-477-3047 for details, to adopt a section of the railroad, or to be a volunteer to help with activities and interacting with our guests.

1st Annual SPVC Youth Lock In Saturday, September 7th, 6pm - the Youth Lock In will serve as our youth group kickoff event for the academic year for all SPVC students entering 6th – 12th grade during the 2024/2025 academic year.

SUNDAY SCHOOL The first day of Sunday School is next Sunday, September 8th, 9:15am. ALL Sunday School children will meet in the Sanctuary. Any child who would like to add their handprint to the poster board is invited to do so before September 8th.

Wednesday Bible Study Wednesday morning Bible Study returns September 11th at 10:00am.

COMMUNION OPPORTUNITIES Pastor is providing individual communion opportunity for the foreseeable future. Check the posted times for “walk-in” communion below.

“Walk-In” times at Church: Sundays, 12:00 – 2:00pm & Tuesdays, 5pm - 7pm

Scheduling an appointment for communion at church or in your home:

To schedule a time other than the walk-in times you may call Pastor Zielinski at 440-458-0189 or, visit www.spvc.org and click “Book with Pastor” to see available times for appointments.

PASTORAL CARE Should you desire pastoral care, please contact the church office 330.483.3883, or 330.483.4119 and leave a message for Pastor.

TITHES & OFFERINGS are needed; our Lord still provides for us and we return to Him a portion of His generosity. You have several ways to continue contributing:

1. In-person Worship on Sundays at 9:30 AM
2. Mail your contributions to the church.
3. Talk to your bank about "bill-pay" options. They can likely send a check directly to the church on a scheduled basis.
4. Visit www.spvc.org and click on "Give Online" - you'll be taken to our secure online giving site where you can make a one-time or on-going contribution.

HEARING AIDS? Do you wear hearing aids? If they're able to connect to your phone we have an app to help you hear the spoken-word parts of the worship service (readings, prayers, sermon, etc.). Download the "Audiofetch" app then connect to the "Audiofetch" wifi here at church. See Rev. Streeper if you need help getting set up.

PRAYER REQUESTS – To submit a prayer request or join the Prayer Chain, visit our website, spvc.org under Prayer. You can also do both by filling out the back side of the attendance slip or sending an email to prayer@spvc.org.

IN-PERSON SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS watch LIVE or On-Demand just like our worship services (YouTube, Facebook, or www.spvc.org) on Sunday mornings at 8:00 AM.

WATCH WORSHIP LIVE OR ON-DEMAND 9:30 AM on Sundays, or on-demand at YouTube, Facebook, or www.spvc.org – on the homepage is a viewer for the livestream (when active) and for the most recent service. Bulletins are available via the link. Select the bulletin for the date of the service you are watching.

RECYCLING BULLETINS You are encouraged to take your worship bulletins home with you to use the scriptures, hymns and prayers for your own devotions and to be able to refer to the updated schedule and announcements. If you would like, you may drop regular and large print bulletins in the blue recycle bin in the Narthex hallway upon exiting the service. Please remember, the recycle bin is only for bulletin materials.

Yes, we do recycle the black combs for the Large Print bulletins! Thank you!

PORTALS OF PRAYER The 2024 July-Sept devotion booklets are available on the Welcome Table and in the Narthex hallway, please take a copy home today.

HEALTH & SAFETY There is a black First Aid bag hung in the vestibule containing emergency supplies. Some of the contents include bandages, instant glucose, breathing barriers, and blood pressure equipment. Please see Beth Bremke if you would like training in the use of these supplies.

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES offers a wonderful daily devotion with Scriptures & Reflection Questions. Go to www.lhm.org and click on Today's Devotion.

ONLINE DIRECTORY UPDATE If your mobile app needs updated and it's asking for an "online code" please use "SPVC" and that should reconnect the app.

SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE, ISRAEL & FOREIGN MISSIONS We continue to take offerings to provide relief to Lutheran church partners who suffer calamity in these areas. Thank you to everyone who has shown their generosity.

WIGGLE BAGS Please help yourself to these goody bags that hold activities kids may engage and participate in the worship service. Hopefully this will help alleviate stress for parents who are worried about their child making it through the whole service, but more importantly, they help teach kids that "big church" is for them too. Please take a moment to collect all the contents of the Wiggle Bags and return it to the "Used Wiggle Bag" plastic bin after the Worship Service. We continue to be thankful for Sandy Turner, Jean Wadle and the others who are keeping up with providing clean Wiggle Bags each week. Donated supplies may be given to Sandy or Jean. Thank you.



ACI **(Adult Confirmation Instruction)**

Led by: Pastor Zielinski & Rev. Streeper

SCHEDULE

Part I: July 14th, after Worship Service

Part II: July 28th, after Worship Service & Fellowship

Part III: Aug. 11th, after Worship Service

Part IV: Aug. 25th, after Worship Service & Fellowship

Part V: September 8th, after 2nd Worship Service

Part VI: September 22nd, after 2nd Worship Service

Makeup Session: Wednesday, August 21st - 6pm

Makeup Session: Wednesday, September 4th - 6pm

Confirmation Service: - TBD -

Sunday, September 29th or Sunday, October 6th

= September 2024 =

	SERVICE	1-Sep SUNDAY Communion	8-Sep SUNDAY Communion	15-Sep SUNDAY Communion	22-Sep SUNDAY Communion	29-Sep SUNDAY Communion
ELDER	8am	Steve Kato	Chris Duran	Tim Wadle	Dave Hesketh	Steve Kato
	10:30am	Sam Jakabcic	Dave Hesketh	Jim Jackson	Sam Jakabcic	Jim Jackson
USHERS	8am	Mark Gordon	Mike Scahel	Dave Hesketh	Mark Gordon	Jay Moser
	10:30am	Joe Bennett	Rich Proeschel	Brian Dearth	Eric Gottl	Brian Dearth
GREETERS	8am	David & Mackenzie Duran	Dean & Beth Bremke	Pam McGuire	Heinrich & Irmgard Cordes	Dean & Beth Bremke
	10:30am	Rich & Jenny Proeschel	Barb Pijor	Rich & Jenny Proeschel	Barb Pijor	Joe Bennett
ELDER INFO	Stephen Kato 330-242-7183	Tim Wadle 216-214-7109	Jim Jackson 330-391-6393	Chris Duran 216-577-5164	Sam Jakabcic 216-789-1076	Dave Hesketh 330-410-6150

Prayers for Worship

On entering a church

Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. In the multitude of Your tender mercies prepare my heart that I may enter Your house to worship and confess Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, my God and Lord. Amen.

Before worship

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for His sake. Amen.

After worship

Almighty and merciful God, I have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for my many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. I thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep me in faith until I inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Before confession and absolution

Almighty, everlasting God, for our many sins we justly deserve eternal condemnation. In Your mercy You sent Your dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who won for us forgiveness of sins and everlasting salvation. Grant us a true confession that, dead to sin, we may be raised up by Your life-giving absolution. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may be ever watchful and live true and godly lives in Your service; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Before communing

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send me Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

For blessing on the Word

Lord God, bless Your Word wherever it is proclaimed. Make it a word of power and peace to convert those not yet Your own and to confirm those who have come to saving faith. May Your Word pass from the ear to the heart, from the heart to the lip, and from the lip to the life that, as You have promised, Your Word may achieve the purpose for which You send it; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.