

October 22, 2023

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

## Hymn of Invocation: 726 Evening and Morning

LSB 726



1 Eve - ning and morn - ing, Sun - set and dawn - ing, Wealth, peace, and  
2 Fa - ther, O hear me, Par - don and spare me; Calm all my  
3 Ills that still grieve me Soon are to leave me; Though bil - lows  
4 To God in heav - en All praise be giv - en! Come, let us



glad - ness, Com - fort in sad - ness: These are Thy works; all the  
ter - rors, Blot out my er - rors That by Thine eyes they may  
tow - er, And winds gain pow - er, Af - ter the storm the fair  
of - fer And glad - ly prof - fer To the Cre - a - tor the



glo - ry be Thine! Times with - out num - ber, A - wake or in  
no more be scanned. Or - der my go - ings, Di - rect all my  
sun shows its face. Joys e'er in - creas - ing And peace nev - er  
gifts He doth prize. He well re - ceiv - eth A heart that be -



slum - ber, Thine eye ob - serves us, From dan - ger pre - serves us,  
do - ings; As it may please Thee, Re - tain or re - lease me;  
ceas - ing: These shall I trea - sure And share in full mea - sure  
liev - eth; Hymns that a - dore Him Are pre - cious be - fore Him



Caus - ing Thy mer - cy up - on us to shine.  
All I com - mit to Thy fa - ther - ly hand.  
When in His man - sions God grants me a place.  
And to His throne like sweet in - cense a - rise.

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## Invocation

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

**C** Amen.

## Exhortation

*1 John 1:8-9 LSB 151*

**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.

## Confession of Sins

*LSB 151*

**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] LSB 151*

**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

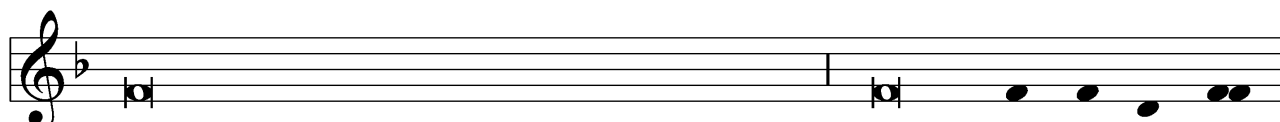
*Mark 10:47 LSB 152*



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



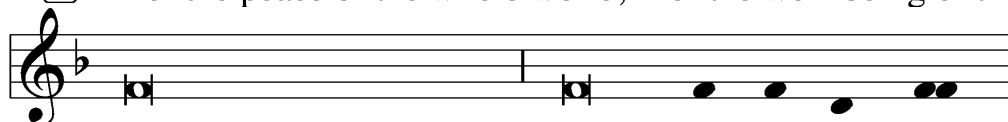
**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



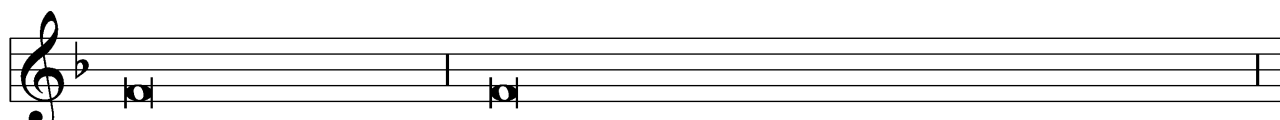
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



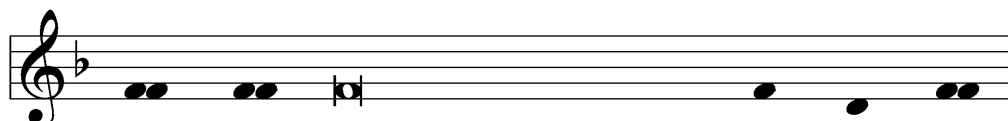
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



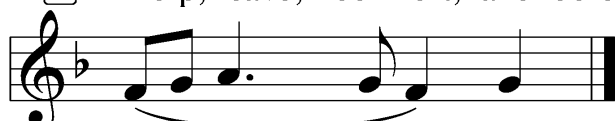
let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



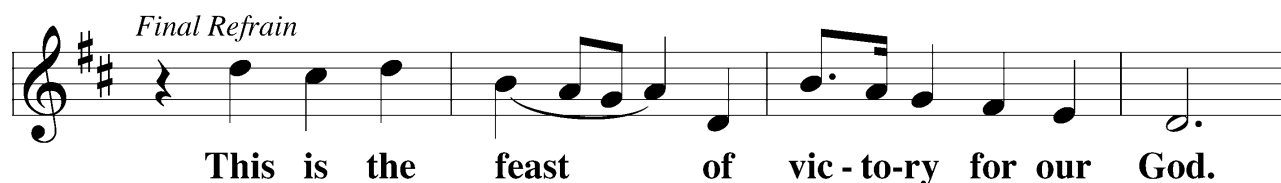
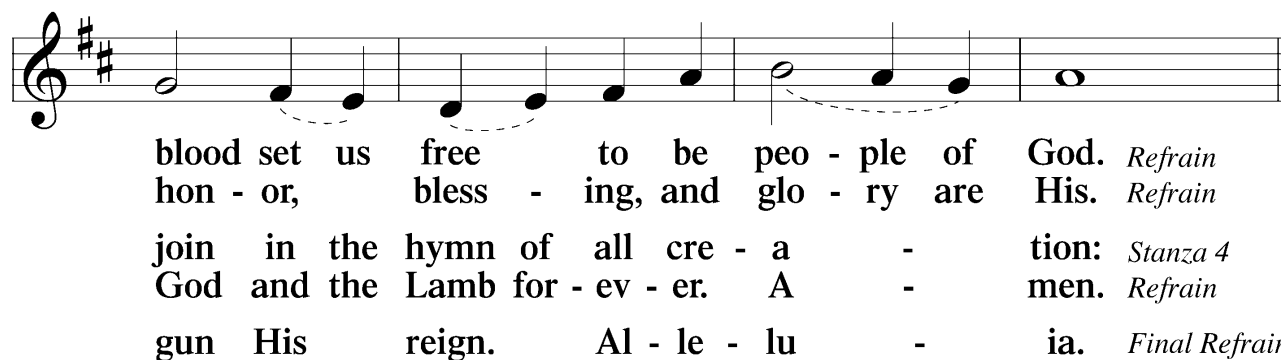
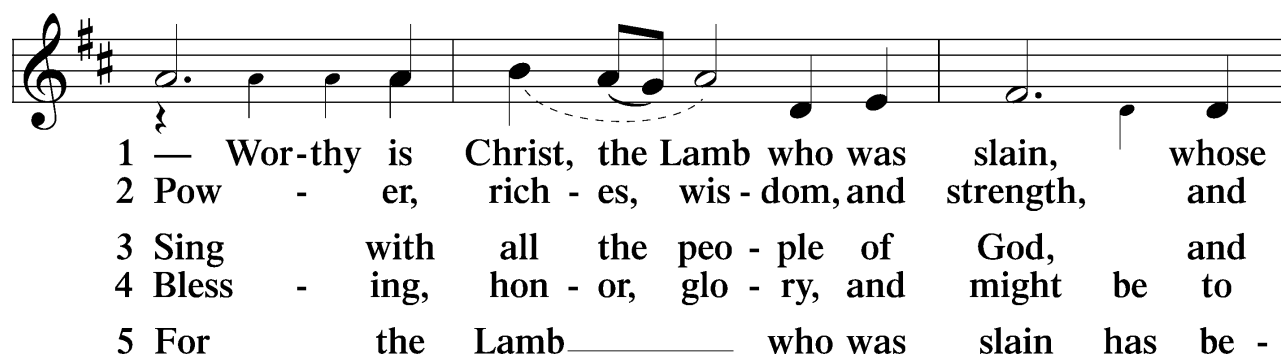
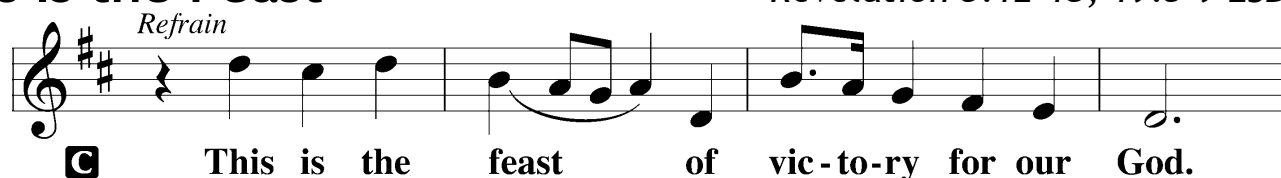
**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**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 protector of all who trust in You, have mercy on us that with You as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; 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

*Isaiah 45:1-7*

<sup>1</sup>Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus,  
 whose right hand I have grasped,  
 to subdue nations before him  
 and to loose the belts of kings,  
 to open doors before him  
 that gates may not be closed:  
<sup>2</sup>"I will go before you  
 and level the exalted places,  
 I will break in pieces the doors of bronze  
 and cut through the bars of iron,  
<sup>3</sup>I will give you the treasures of darkness  
 and the hoards in secret places,  
 that you may know that it is I, the LORD,  
 the God of Israel, who call you by your name.  
<sup>4</sup>For the sake of my servant Jacob,  
 and Israel my chosen,  
 I call you by your name,

I name you, though you do not know me.  
<sup>5</sup>I am the LORD, and there is no other,  
 besides me there is no God;  
 I equip you, though you do not know me,  
<sup>6</sup>that people may know, from the rising of the sun  
 and from the west, that there is none besides me;  
 I am the LORD, and there is no other.  
<sup>7</sup>I form light and create darkness,  
 I make well-being and create calamity,  
 I am the LORD, who does all these things.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Psalm 91:11; 103:1*

He will command his angels concerning you  
**to guard you in all your ways.**  
 Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
**and all that is within me, bless his holy name!**

## Epistle

*1 Thessalonians 1:1-10*

<sup>1</sup>Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,  
 To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus  
 Christ: Grace to you and peace.  
<sup>2</sup>We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in  
 our prayers, <sup>3</sup>remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and  
 labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>For we  
 know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, <sup>5</sup>because our gospel  
 came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and  
 with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you  
 for your sake. <sup>6</sup>And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you  
 received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, <sup>7</sup>so that  
 you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. <sup>8</sup>For  
 not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and  
 Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not  
 say anything. <sup>9</sup>For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception  
 we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living  
 and true God, <sup>10</sup>and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the  
 dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

**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

*Matthew 22:15-22*

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

**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk.  
<sup>16</sup>And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying,  
 “Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and  
 you do not care about anyone’s opinion, for you are not swayed by  
 appearances. <sup>17</sup>Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to  
 Caesar, or not?” <sup>18</sup>But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why put me to the  
 test, you hypocrites? <sup>19</sup>Show me the coin for the tax.” And they brought him a  
 denarius. <sup>20</sup>And Jesus said to them, “Whose likeness and inscription is this?”  
<sup>21</sup>They said, “Caesar’s.” Then he said to them, “Therefore render to Caesar the  
 things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” <sup>22</sup>When they  
 heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

**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.**



# Announcements

## Hymn of the Day: 781 We Give Thee But Thine Own *LSB 781*



1 We give Thee but Thine own, What - e'er the gift may be;  
 2 May we Thy boun - ties thus As stew - ards true re - ceive  
 3 Oh, hearts are bruised and dead, And homes are bare and cold,  
 4 To com - fort and to bless, To find a balm for woe,



All that we have is Thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.  
 And glad - ly, as Thou bless - est us, To Thee our first-fruits give!  
 And lambs for whom the Shep-herd bled Are stray - ing from the fold.  
 To tend the lone and fa - ther-less Is an - gels' work be - low.

5 The captive to release,  
 To God the lost to bring,  
 To teach the way of life and peace,  
 It is a Christ-like thing.

6 And we believe Thy Word,  
 Though dim our faith may be:  
 Whate'er for Thine we do, O Lord,  
 We do it unto Thee.

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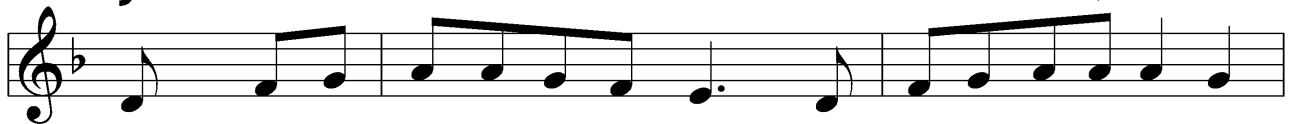
## Sermon

**Rev. Philip Zielinski**

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## Offertory

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

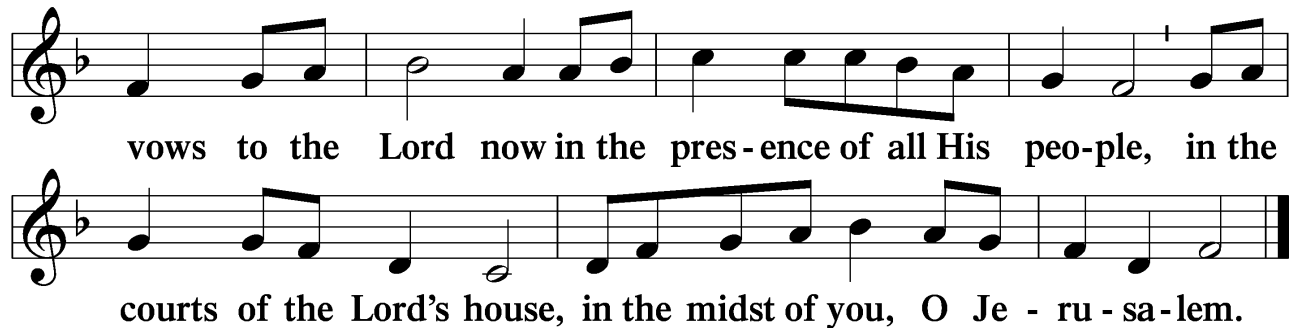


**What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e - fits to**

**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**



*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** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. God of our salvation, You deliver Your Son's work through Your Word in power and in the Holy Spirit. Strengthen the Church's pastors to proclaim Your truth. Increase the faith of all who hear, that they may respond in love, steadfast in their hope. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** God of all truth, from the rising of the sun to its setting, You make known Your salvation in Christ. Bless fathers and mothers as they teach their children Your Word and Your ways. Let them know that there is no God besides You and so rejoice in Your faithfulness. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** God our Father, You appointed Cyrus as Your instrument to return Your people to Jerusalem. Uphold the authorities of our nation in wisdom and integrity, that we might live in peace with a good conscience. Grant that they would make salutary use of the taxes we render, and lead us to recognize them as Your instruments, honoring them as You command. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** O Lord, our help comes from You, who made heaven and earth. You preserve our life. Have mercy on [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all who are afflicted. Keep them from all evil and shade them from all harm. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Almighty God, guard those who travel. Keep their going out and their coming in. Protect them from every trouble, prosper their journey according to Your will and make their homecomings joyful. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** True and living God, You have turned us from idols to serve You and live. As we await Your Son's return in glory, grant that we would faithfully receive Him at this altar with repentance and joy. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

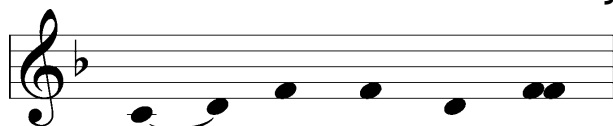
**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

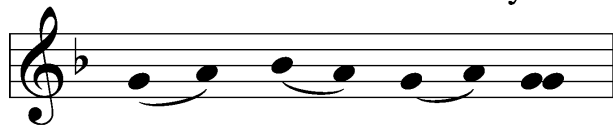
*2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136] LSB 160*



**P** The Lord be with you.



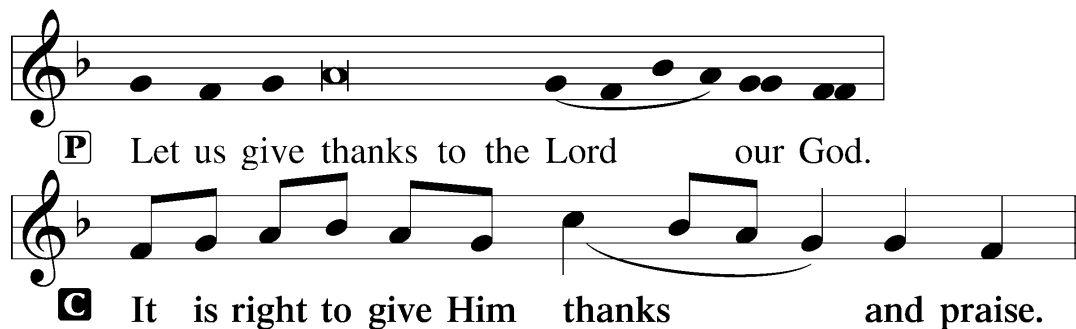
**C** And al - so with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



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



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

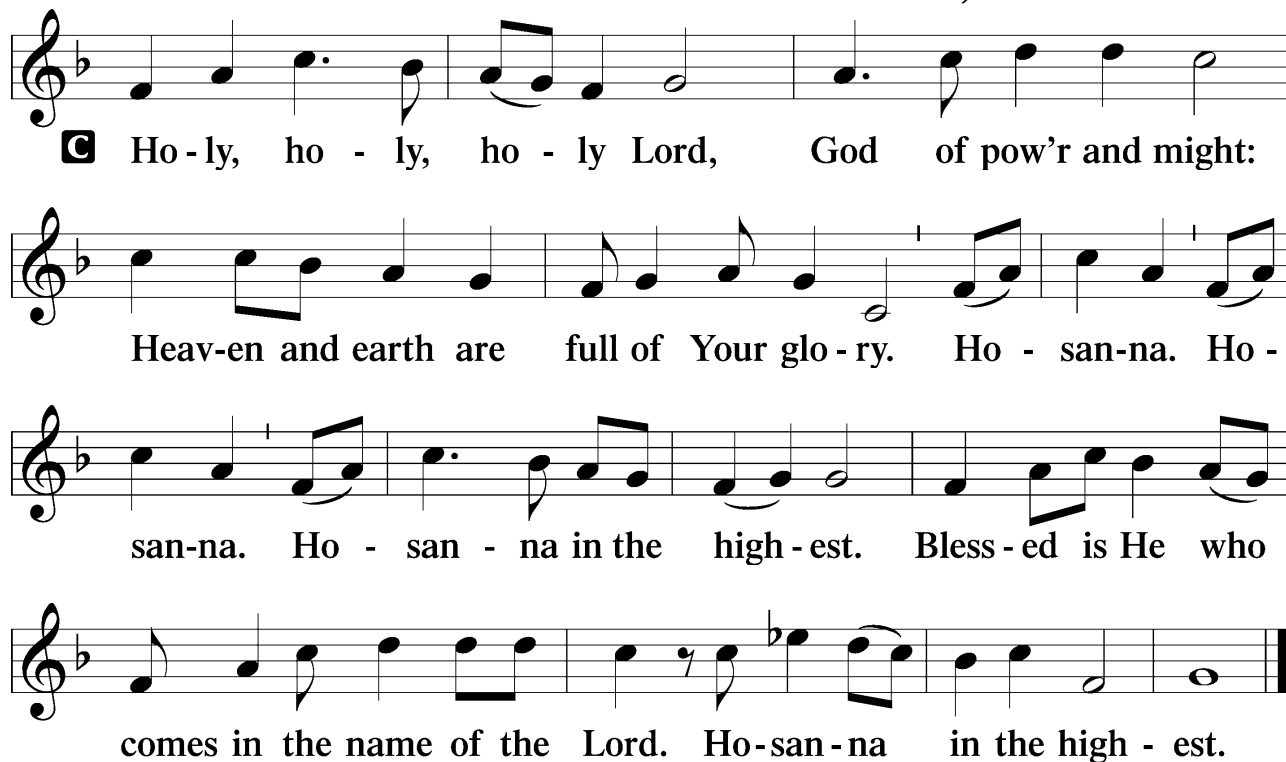
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

## Proper Preface (Full)

**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, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. 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.

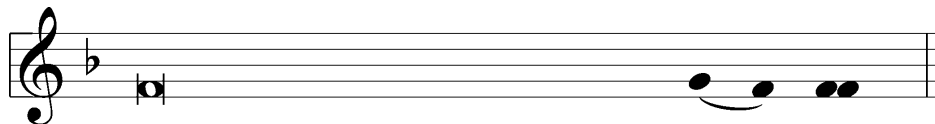
## The Words of Our Lord

**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  $\text{✝}$  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 LSB 163*



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



**C** A - men.

# Agnus Dei

John 1:29 LSB 163

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.

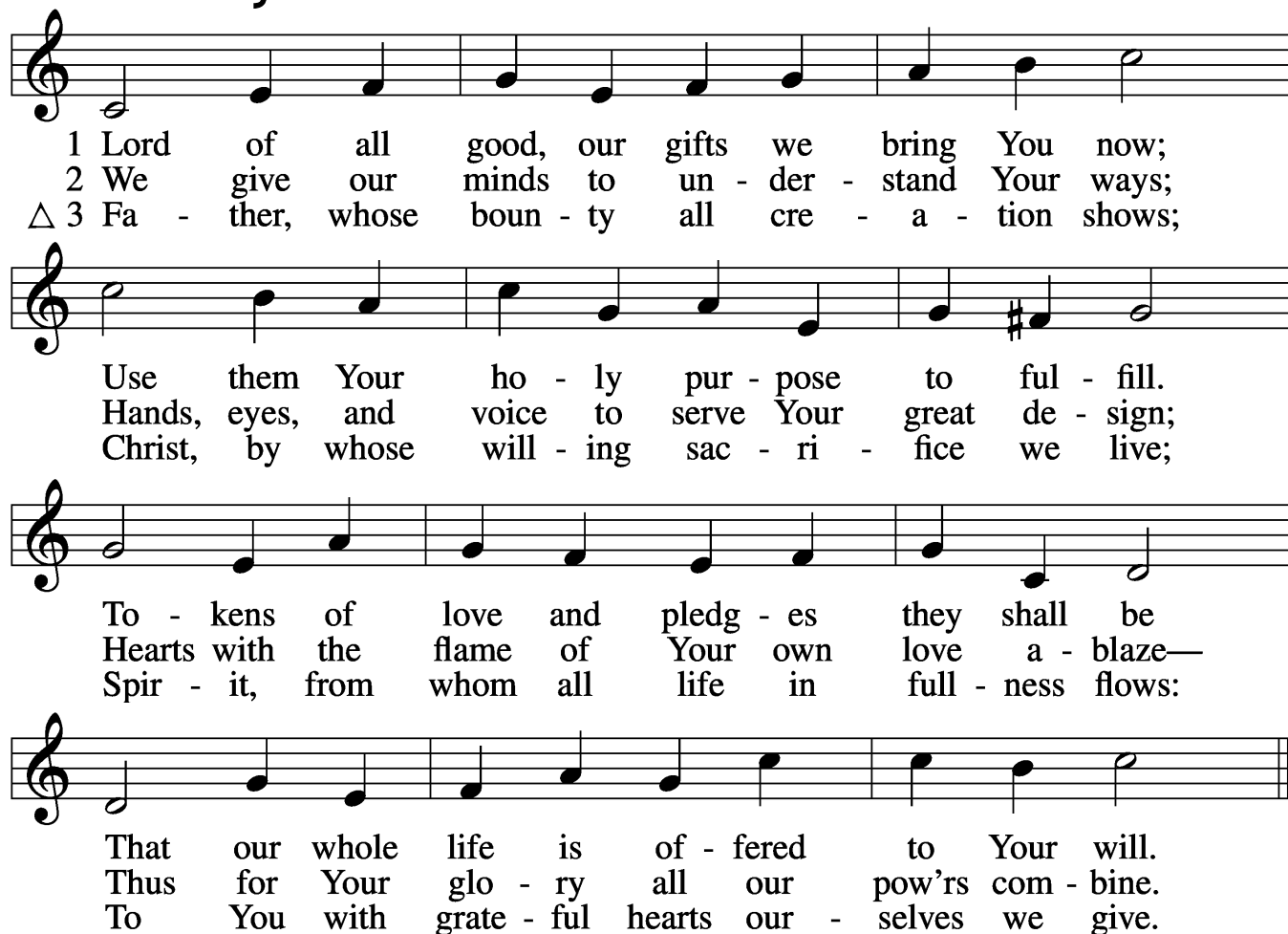
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## Distribution

- If—for any reason—you prefer to receive communion while remaining at your seat, please let an usher know as you arrive so that we can bring communion to you.
- Directions
  - Ushers will dismiss the congregation beginning from the back of the sanctuary.
  - Fill the communion rail beginning from the lectern side (left).
  - Kneel or stand as you are able.
  - Pastor will distribute the body of Christ followed by the assistants with the blood of Christ (individual or common cup).
  - Once you have received the body and blood of Christ, dismiss yourself and return to your seat via the Fellowship Hall through the side door.
  - If you have received an individual cup, place it in the basket provided on your way out the door.
- Gluten-free communion bread is available. Simply ask pastor for this option as you come forward for communion.
- A low/no-alcohol option is also available. On the tray of individual cups are several plastic cups that contain juice with a drop of wine included. This dilute amount of wine uses the element with which the Lord's Supper was instituted (wine) while providing an alternative if needed. Please feel free to see Pastor or an Elder if you have any questions.

# Distribution Hymn: 786 Lord of All Good

LSB 786



1 Lord of all good, our gifts we bring You now;  
 2 We give our minds to un - der - stand Your ways;  
 △ 3 Fa - ther, whose boun - ty all cre - a - tion shows;

Use them Your ho - ly pur - pose to ful - fill.  
 Hands, eyes, and voice to serve Your great de - sign;  
 Christ, by whose will - ing sac - ri - fice we live;

To - kens of love and pledg - es they shall be  
 Hearts with the flame of Your own love a - blaze—  
 Spir - it, from whom all life in full - ness flows:

That our whole life is of - fered to Your will.  
 Thus for Your glo - ry all our pow'rs com - bine.  
 To You with grate - ful hearts our - selves we give.

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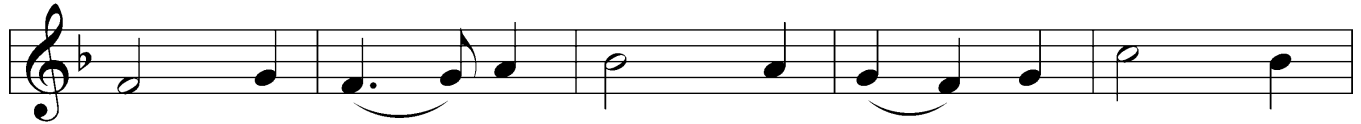
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# Distribution Hymn: Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us

LSB 851



1 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your  
 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Glad - ly,  
 3 Won - drous hon - or You have giv - en To our  
 4 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your



life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the  
 free - ly of Your own. With the sun - shine of Your  
 hum - blest char - i - ty In Your own mys - te - rious  
 life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the



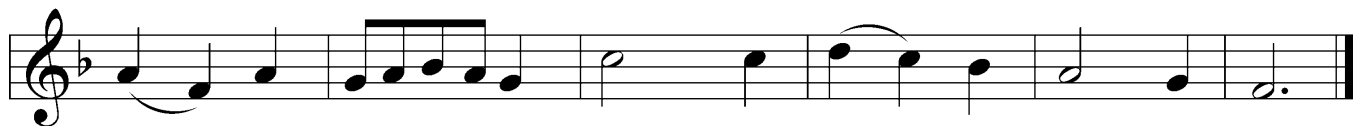
lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice;  
 good - ness Melt our thank - less hearts of stone  
 sen - tence, "You have done it all to Me."  
 lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice.



And with that have free - ly giv - en Bless - ings  
 Till our cold and self - ish na - tures, Warmed by  
 Can it be, O gra - cious Mas - ter, That You  
 Give us faith to trust You bold - ly, Hope, to



count - less as the sand To the un - thank - ful  
 You, at length be - lieve That more hap - py  
 deign for alms to sue, Say - ing by Your  
 stay our souls on You; But, oh, best of



and the e - vil With Your own un - spar - ing hand.  
 and more bless - ed 'Tis to give than to re - ceive.  
 poor and need - y, "Give as I have giv'n to you?"  
 all Your grac - es, With Your love our love re - new.

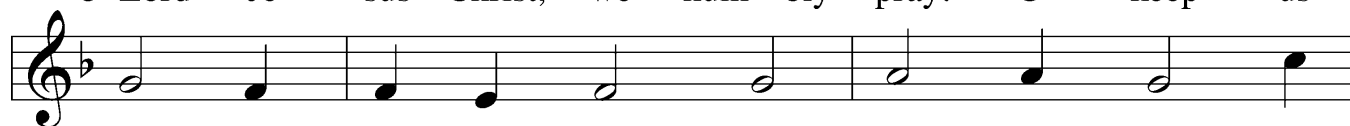


# Distribution Hymn: Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray

LSB 623



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, we hum - bly pray That we may  
 2 Give us, who share this won-drous food, Your bod - y  
 3 By faith Your Word has made us bold To seize the  
 4 One bread, one cup, one bod - y, we, Re - joic - ing  
 5 Lord Je - sus Christ, we hum - bly pray: O keep us



feast on You to - day; Be - neath these forms of  
 bro - ken and Your blood, The grate - ful peace of  
 gift of love re - told; All that You are we  
 in our u - ni - ty, Pro - claim Your love un -  
 stead - fast till that day When each will be Your



bread and wine En - rich us with Your grace di - vine.  
 sins for - giv'n, The cer - tain joys of heirs of heav'n.  
 here re - ceive, And all we are to You we give.  
 til You come To bring Your scat - tered loved ones home.  
 wel - comed guest In heav - en's high and ho - ly feast.

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## Nunc Dimittis

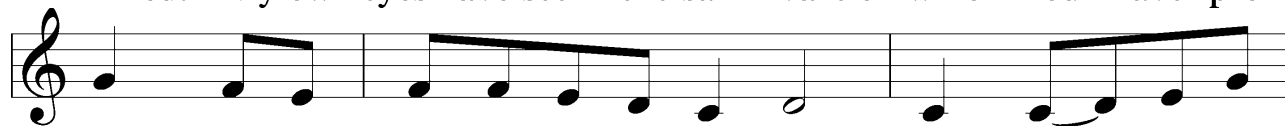
Luke 2:29-32 LSB 165



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: Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good *LSB 819*



1 Sing praise to God, the high - est good, The au - thor of cre -  
 2 What God's al - might - y pow'r has made, In mer - cy He is  
 3 We sought the Lord in our dis - tress; O God, in mer - cy  
 4 He nev - er shall for - sake His flock, His cho - sen gen - er -  
 5 All who con - fess Christ's ho - ly name, Give God the praise and



a - tion, The God of love who un - der - stood  
 keep - ing. By morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade  
 hear us. Our Sav - ior saw our help - less - ness  
 a - tion; He is their ref - uge and their rock,  
 glo - ry. Let all who know His pow'r pro - claim



Our need for His sal - va - tion. With heal - ing balm our  
 His eye is nev - er sleep - ing. With - in the king - dom  
 And came with peace to cheer us. For this we thank and  
 Their peace and their sal - va - tion. As with a moth - er's  
 A - loud the won - drous sto - ry. Cast ev - 'ry i - dol



souls He fills And ev - 'ry faith - less mur - mur stills:  
 of His might All things are just and good and right:  
 praise the Lord, Who is by one and all a - dored:  
 ten - der hand, He leads His own, His cho - sen band:  
 from its throne, For God is God, and He a - lone:



To God all praise and glo - ry!  
 To God all praise and glo - ry!  
 To God all praise and glo - ry!  
 To God all praise and glo - ry!  
 To God all praise and glo - ry!

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## THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL

Today	9:15 AM	Bible Class
Today	9:15 AM	Sunday School
Today	12:00 - 2:00 PM	Walk-In Communion
Monday	6:00 PM	Confirmation
Tuesday	5:00 - 7:00 PM	Walk-In Communion
Wednesday	10:00 AM	Bible Study

**PASTOR APPRECIATION** Today, please take note to the large lamb cutouts in the Narthex hallway. Join in to show your love, support, and appreciation to Pastor Zielinski and Pastor Streeper by signing your name and referencing your favorite Bible verse. We encourage you to sign both, as they will be presented to each of these wonderful servants who shepherd and guide us in the Gospel of truth.

**INSTALLATION OF REV. BUVINGHAUSEN** ...TODAY... please sign up at the Welcome Center if you are planning to attend the service on Saturday, October 28, 2023 at 4:00 PM at Bethany Lutheran Church, Wellington, OH. This will be helpful for a headcount for food. Members of Bethany are hosting it as a potluck. Feel free to bring a dish to pass.

**YOUTH GROUP** is next Wednesday, November 1st for grades 6-12 at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. **Next Meeting:** Wednesday, November 15th. Questions? Please contact Pastor Chris Streeper at 330-441-0502.

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**GENTLE REMINDER** You are welcome to take home your Worship folders, otherwise, you may place all worship folders in the blue plastic tub in the Narthex Hallway. **We do recycle the black combs** for the Large Print bulletins. (Please do not place your used tissues in this tub.) Thank you.

**GOOD STEWARDSHIP** Please take a moment to collect your worship folders, filled out, or blank attendance slips, used tissues, and any other items left in the pews after leaving Worship services. Thank you kindly!

**COLLECTION FOR VETERANS** LWML is once again collecting men's hats, gloves and scarves for veterans now to November 12th. Please drop it in the basket in the Narthex. Thank you so much for your help. Any questions, please contact Len Maver.

**PORTALS OF PRAYER** the 2023 Oct.-Dec. devotion booklets are available on the Welcome Table and in the Narthex hallway, please take your copy home today.

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY** at 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Attend in-person or watch the stream live and on-demand.

**WIGGLE BAGS** Please help yourself to these goody bags that hold activities that kids may engage and participate in 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 are grateful to Sandy Turner and Jean Wadle who are keeping-up with providing clean Wiggle Bags each week. Your donated supplies may be given directly to Sandy Turner or Jean Wadle. Thank you.

**YOUNG FAMILY FELLOWSHIP** Families with young children are invited to join in fellowship! Dates and times are to be decided. If you are interested in that or other gatherings, sign-up at the Welcome Center or contact Sarah Moser at 440-453-0180.

**SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE** We continue to take offerings to provide relief to Lutheran church partners affected by the war in Ukraine. Thank you to everyone who has shown their generosity.

### **COMMUNION OPPORTUNITIES**

Pastor is still providing individual communion opportunities for the foreseeable future. Check the posted times for “walk-in” communion below.

Scheduling an appointment with Pastor at church or in your home.

#### **“Walk-In” times at Church:**

Sundays, 12 – 2pm

Tuesdays, 5 – 7pm

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

To schedule a time other than the walk-in times

Call Pastor 440-458-0189

Visit [www.spvc.org](http://www.spvc.org) and click “Book with Pastor” to see available times for appointments.

**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 8:00 & 10:30 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](http://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.

**IN-PERSON SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS** watch LIVE or On-Demand just like our worship services (YouTube, Facebook, or [www.spvc.org](http://www.spvc.org)) on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM.

**WATCH LIVE OR ON-DEMAND** 8:00 AM on Sundays, or on-demand at YouTube, Facebook, or [www.spvc.org](http://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.

**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.

**PRAYER REQUESTS** can be sent to [prayer@spvc.org](mailto:prayer@spvc.org) (also, email there to join the prayer chain and receive all the updates) ... or ... you may fill out the back side of the attendance slip.

**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.

### October 2023

	SERVICE	October 1 SUNDAY  Communion	October 8 SUNDAY  Communion	October 15 SUNDAY  Communion	October 22 SUNDAY  Communion	October 29 SUNDAY Reformation Sunday Communion
ELDER	8am	Steve Kato	Steve Kato/Tim Wadle	Steve Kato	Tim Wadle/Chris Duran	Steve Kato
	10:30am	Jim Jackson	Jim Jackson/Sam Jakabcic	Sam Jakabcic	Jim Jackson/ Sam Jakabcic	Sam Jakabcic
USHERS	8am	Dave Hesketh	Mark Gordon	Dave Hesketh	Mark Gordon	Jim Sherry
	10:30am	Joe Bennett	Rich Proeschel	Brian Dearth	Erich Gottl	Jay Moser
GREETERS	8am	David & Mackenzie Duran	Elder	Dean & Beth Bremke	Elder	Heinrich & Irmgard Cordes
	10:30am	Rich & Jenny Proeschel	Elder	Barb Pijor	Elder	Joe Bennett

### November 2023

	SERVICE	November 5 SUNDAY All Saints Day No Communion	November 12 SUNDAY  Communion	November 19 SUNDAY  Communion	November 22 WEDNESDAY Thanksgiving Eve Communion	November 26 SUNDAY  Communion
ELDER	8am	Chris Duran	Tim Wadle	Steve Kato	Steve Kato / Jim Jackson	Chris Duran
	10:30am	Jim Jackson	Sam Jakabcic	Sam Jakabcic		Steve Kato
USHERS	8am	Jim Rafter	Mark Gordon	Dave Hesketh	Elders to find volunteers	Jim Sherry
	10:30am	Joe Bennett	Rich Proeschel	Brian Dearth		Jay Moser
GREETERS	8am	David & Mackenzie Duran	Steve & Colleen Kato	Dean & Beth Bremke		Heinrich & Irmgard Cordes
	10:30am	Rich & Jenny Proeschel	Joe Bennett	Barb Pijor		Rich & Jenny Proeschel
ELDER INFO	Stephen Kato 330-242-7183	Tim Wadle 216-214-7109	Jim Jackson 330-391-6393	Sam Jakabcic 216-789-1076	Chris Duran 216-577-5164	

## 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.