

# September 18th, 2022

## Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

### Opening Hymn: Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness *LSB 563*



1 Je - sus, Thy blood and righ - teous - ness My beau - ty  
2 Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and re -  
3 Lord, I be - lieve Thy pre - cious blood, Which at the  
4 Lord, I be - lieve, were sin - ners more Than sands up -



are, my glo - rious dress; Midst flam - ing worlds, in  
deemed, no debt to pay; Ful - ly ab - solved through  
mer - cy seat of God Pleads for the cap - tives'  
on the o - cean shore, Thou hast for all a



these ar - rayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.  
these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.  
lib - er - ty, Was al - so shed in love for me.  
ran - som paid, For all a full a - tone - ment made.

- 5 When from the dust of death I rise  
To claim my mansion in the skies,  
This then shall be my only plea:  
Jesus hath lived and died for me.
- 6 Jesus, be endless praise to Thee,  
Whose boundless mercy hath for me,  
For me, and all Thy hands have made,  
An everlasting ransom paid.

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## 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 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

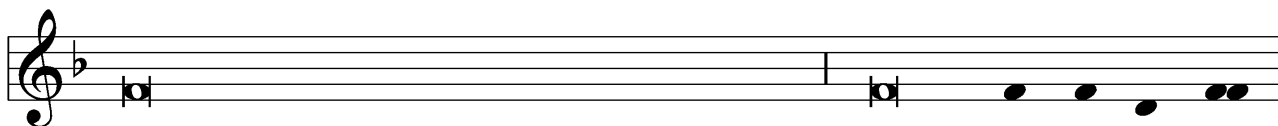
*Mark 10:47 LSB 152*



**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.



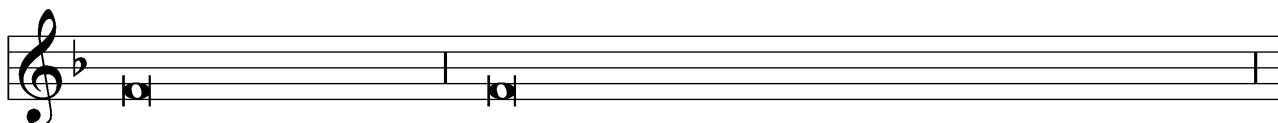
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



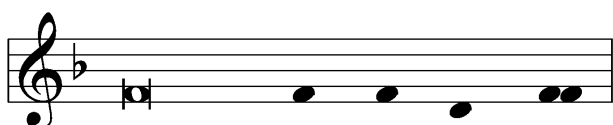
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



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



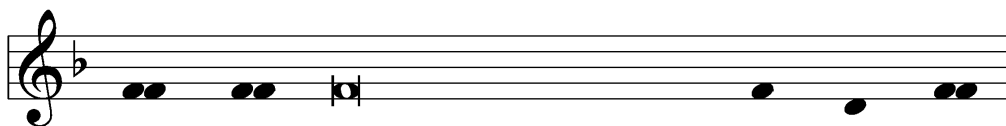
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



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



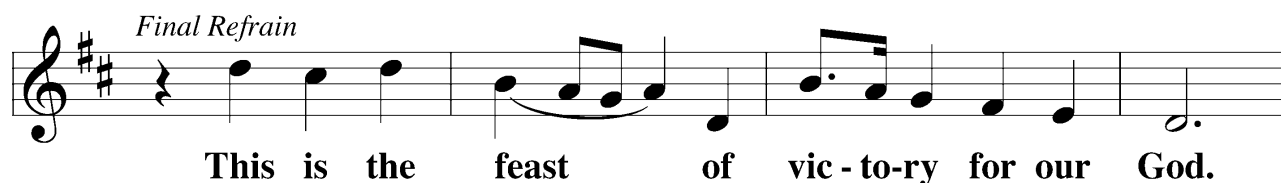
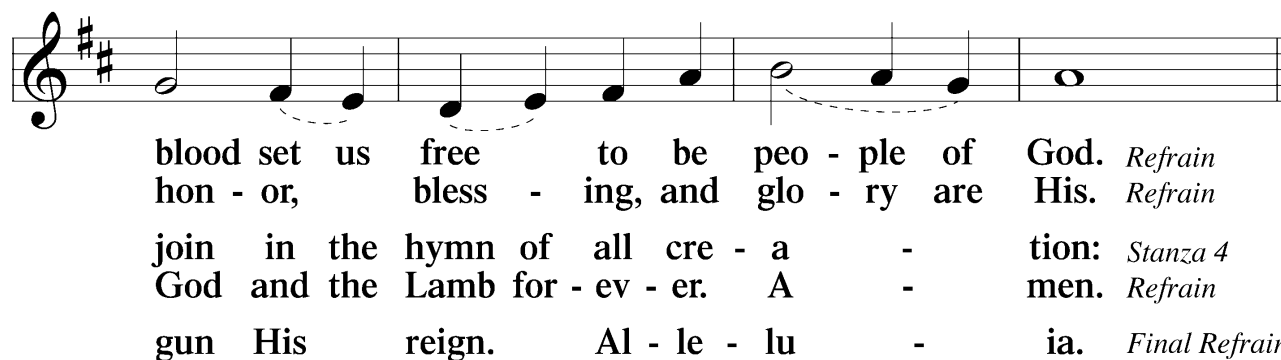
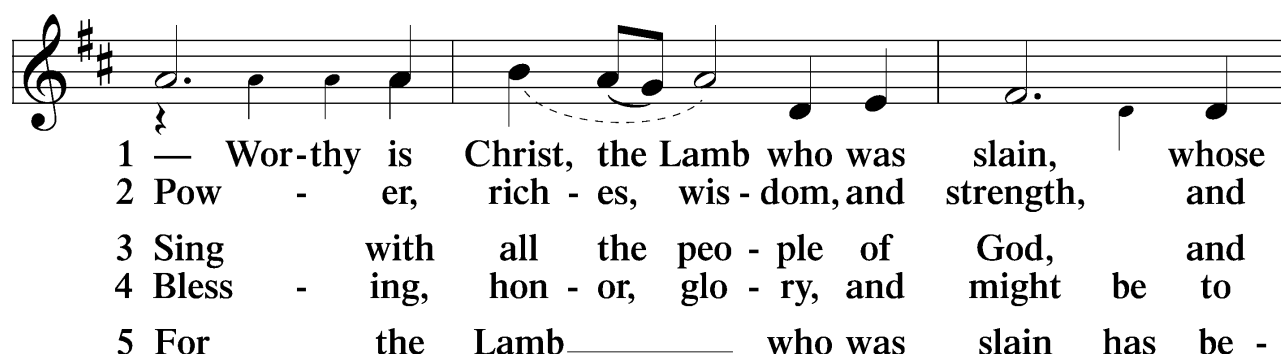
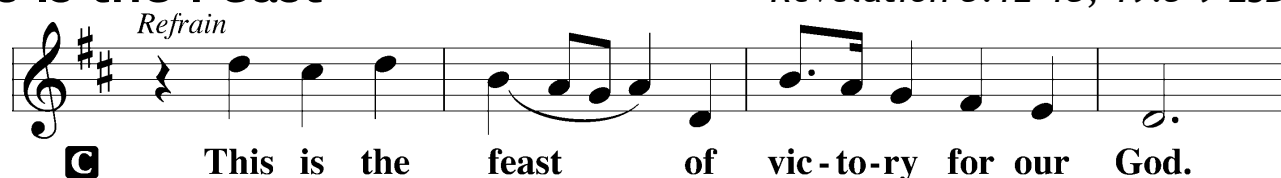
**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



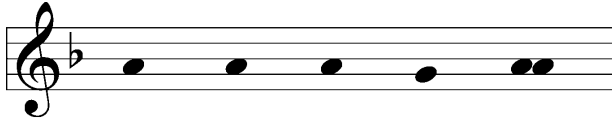
**C** A - men.

# 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 Lord, keep Your Church in Your perpetual mercy; and because without You we cannot but fall, preserve us from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; 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

*Amos 8:4-7*

**A** The Old Testament Reading is from Amos, chapter 8.

<sup>4</sup>Hear this, you who trample on the needy  
and bring the poor of the land to an end,  
<sup>5</sup>saying, “When will the new moon be over,  
that we may sell grain?

And the Sabbath,

that we may offer wheat for sale,  
that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great  
and deal deceitfully with false balances,

<sup>6</sup>that we may buy the poor for silver  
and the needy for a pair of sandals  
and sell the chaff of the wheat?”

<sup>7</sup>The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:  
“Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.”

**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

*1 Timothy 2:1-15*

**A** The Epistle is from 1 Timothy, chapter 2.

<sup>1</sup>First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, <sup>2</sup>for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. <sup>3</sup>This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup>who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup>For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. <sup>7</sup>For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

<sup>8</sup>I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling; <sup>9</sup>likewise also that women should adorn themselves in respectable apparel, with modesty and self-control, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly attire, <sup>10</sup>but with what is proper for women who profess godliness—with good works. <sup>11</sup>Let a woman learn quietly with all submissiveness. <sup>12</sup>I do not permit a woman to teach or to exercise authority over a man; rather, she is to remain quiet. <sup>13</sup>For Adam was formed first, then Eve; <sup>14</sup>and Adam was not deceived, but the woman was deceived and became a transgressor. <sup>15</sup>Yet she will be saved through childbearing—if they continue in faith and love and holiness, with self-control.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse

*John 6:68 LSB 156*



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

*Luke 16:1-15*

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



Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus] also said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. <sup>2</sup>And he called him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.’ <sup>3</sup>And the manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. <sup>4</sup>I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.’ <sup>5</sup>So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ <sup>6</sup>He said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ <sup>7</sup>Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ <sup>8</sup>The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. <sup>9</sup>And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.

<sup>10</sup>“One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. <sup>11</sup>If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? <sup>12</sup>And if you have not been faithful in that which is another’s, who will

give you that which is your own? <sup>13</sup>No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.”

<sup>14</sup>The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him. <sup>15</sup>And he said to them, “You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God.”

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



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## Nicene Creed

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

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and  
the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.



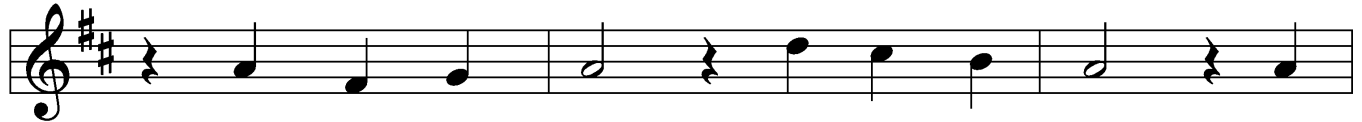
**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and  
glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for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

*Sit*

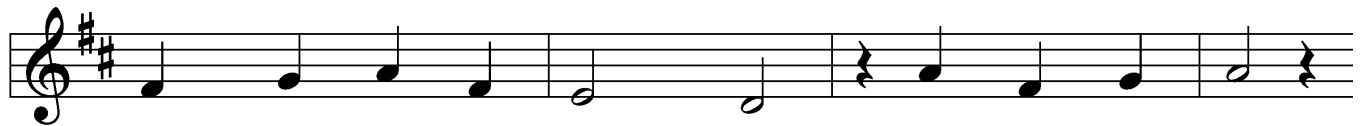
## **Announcements**

# Hymn of the Day: 557 Seek Where You May to Find a Way

LSB 557



1 Seek where you may To find a way That  
 2 Seek whom you may To be your stay, None  
 3 Seek Him a - lone Who did a - tone, Who  
 4 My heart's de - light, My crown most bright, O



leads to your sal - va - tion. My heart is stilled,  
 can re - deem his broth - er. All help - ers failed;  
 did your souls de - liv - er. O seek Him first,  
 Christ, my joy for - ev - er. Not wealth nor pride



On Christ I build, He is the one foun - da - tion.  
 This man pre - vailed, The God - man and none oth - er,  
 All you who thirst For grace that fails you nev - er.  
 Nor for - tune's tide Our bonds of love shall sev - er.



His Word is sure, His works en - dure; He o - ver - throws  
 Our Ser - vant - King Of whom we sing. We're jus - ti - fied  
 In ev - 'ry need Seek Him in - deed; To ev - 'ry heart  
 You are my Lord; Your pre - cious Word Shall guide my way



All e - vil foes; Through Him I more than con - quer.  
 Be - cause He died, The guilt - y be - ing guilt - less.  
 He will im - part His bless - ings with - out mea - sure.  
 And help me stay For - ev - er in Your pres - ence.

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## Sermon

## Rev. Philip Zielinski

*Stand*

## Offertory

Psalm 51:10-12 LSB 192

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

*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 all Your baptized children, that they would be freed from obsession with the goods of this world and set their hearts on the joys of the kingdom and the inheritance that never fades, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For pastors, that they might be righteous stewards who dispense the Lord's gifts in wisdom and abundance; and for all of God's people, that they would make proper use of His Means of Grace, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For men and women, that they would rejoice in the callings and responsibilities that God has given to them, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For Joseph, our president; Mike, our governor; and all whom God has placed in high positions, that they may act with wisdom and mercy, and we may lead peaceable and quiet lives, godly and dignified in every way, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the sick and those who suffer, for those troubled in mind, for the grieving in their sorrows, and for the dying in their last hours, [*especially* \_\_\_\_\_,] that the Lord would grant them the comfort of His presence, relief according to His will and peace in their hearts, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For all who receive the Lord's Supper, that Christ, who gave Himself as a ransom for many, would give us forgiveness of sins through His body and blood and grant us unity in faith and hearts eager for His life and salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the foes of God who forget His Word, that God would call them to repentance and faith so that they also would rejoice in His righteousness and salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** We give thanks to You, O Lord, for You have forgiven our debt of sin for the sake of Jesus. Preserve us in His grace and life until that day when You gather us to be among the saints in glory around Your throne; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

# Service of the Sacrament

## Preface

*2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136] LSB 194*

**P** The Lord be with you.

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

**P** Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

## Proper Preface (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 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

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9 LSB 195*



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



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



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



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



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

# Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9-13 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.

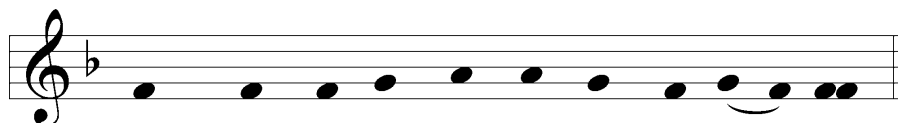
## The Words of Our Lord

**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 197*



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



**G** A - men.

### Agnus Dei

*John 1:29 LSB 198*



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



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



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



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



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

*Sit*

## Distribution AS YOU RECEIVE THE LORD'S SUPPER

- 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.

## Hymn: 628 Your Table I Approach

LSB 628



1 Your ta - ble I ap - proach; Dear Sav - ior, hear my prayer.  
 2 Lord, I con - fess my sins And mourn their wretch - ed bands;  
 3 Your bod - y and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me,  
 4 Search not how this takes place, This won - drous mys - ter - y;



Let not an un - re - pen - tant heart Prove hurt - ful to me there.  
 A con - trite heart is sure to find For - give - ness at Your hands.  
 Are tak - en at Your ta - ble, Lord, In blest re - al - i - ty.  
 God can ac - com - plish vast - ly more Than what we think could be.

5 O grant, most blessèd Lord,  
 That earth and hell combined  
 May not about this sacrament  
 Raise doubt within my mind.

6 Oh, may I never fail  
 To thank You day and night  
 For Your true body and true blood,  
 O God, my peace and light.

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# Distribution Hymn: 687 Thine Forever, God of Love LSB 687



1 Thine for - ev - er, God of love! Hear us from Thy throne a - bove;  
 2 Thine for - ev - er! Oh, how blest They who find in Thee their rest!  
 3 Thine for - ev - er, Lord of Life! Shield us through our earth - ly strife.  
 4 Thine for - ev - er! Shep-herd, keep These Thy frail and trem-bling sheep;  
 5 Thine for - ev - er! Thou our guide, All our wants by Thee sup - plied,



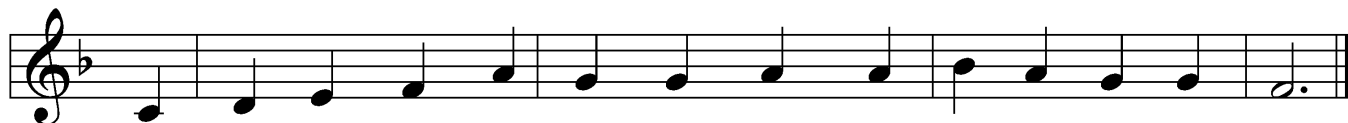
Thine for - ev - er may we be Here and in e - ter - ni - ty!  
 Sav - ior, guard - ian, heav'n-ly friend, O de - fend us to the end!  
 Thou, the life, the truth, the way, Guide us to the realms of day.  
 Safe a - lone be - neath Thy care, Let us all Thy good-ness share.  
 All our sins by Thee for-giv'n; Lead us, Lord, from earth to heav'n.

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# Distribution 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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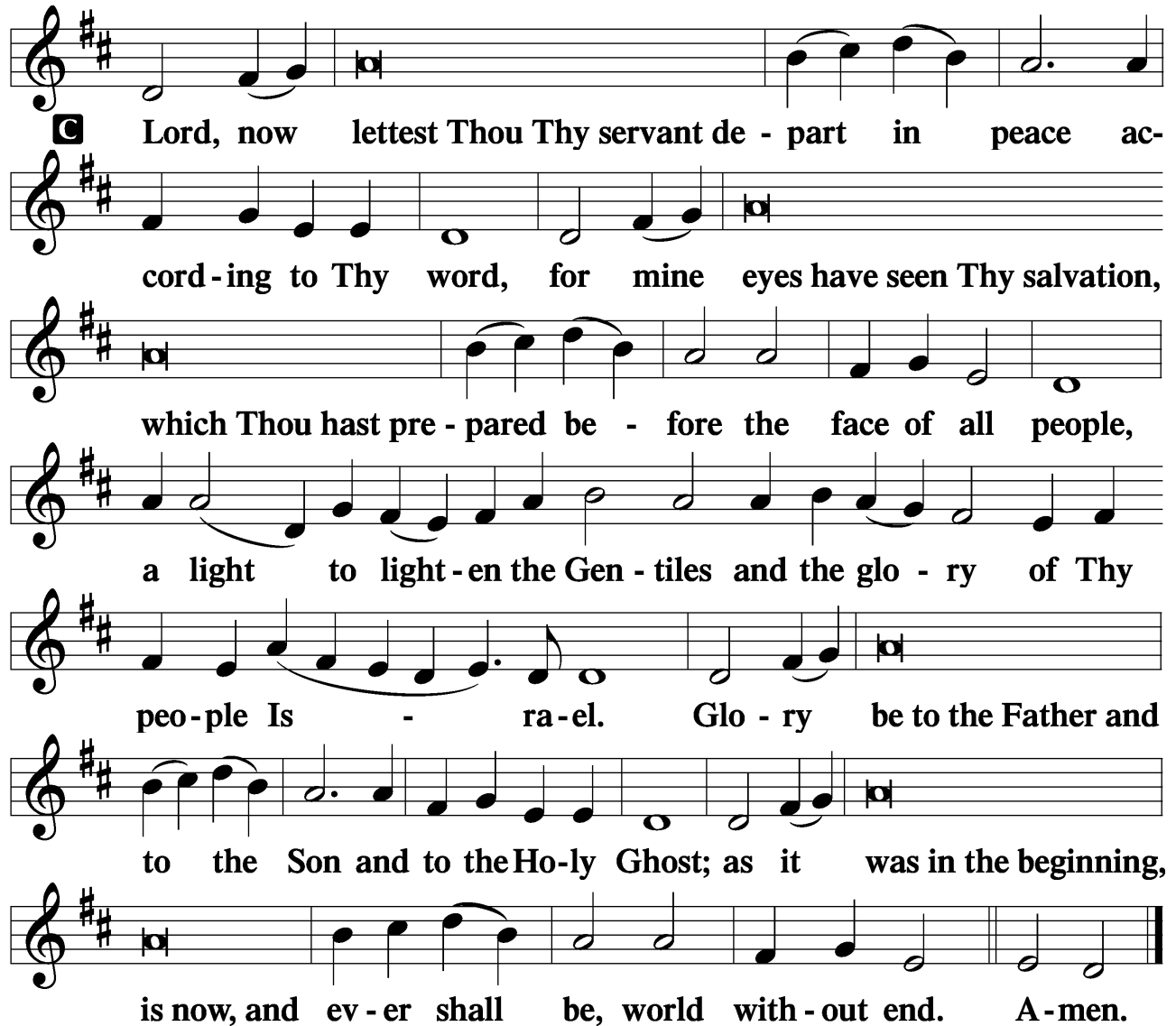
## The Dismissal

**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 199*



**C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -  
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## Post-Communion Collect

**A** Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through



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**THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL**

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| Today     | 9:30 - 10:15 AM | Congregational Forum |
| Today     | 12:00 - 2:00 PM | Walk-In Communion    |
| Monday    | 6:00 – 7:30 PM  | Confirmation         |
| Tuesday   | 5:00 - 7:00 PM  | Walk-In Communion    |
| Tuesday   | 7:00 PM         | Executive Meeting    |
| Wednesday | 10:00 AM        | Bible Study          |

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are placed this morning from Penny Evans for the Holy Matrimony of her Son Brian & Jenny Evans on August 3, 2022.

**CONGREGATIONAL FORUM** today, between services we will continue to discuss opportunities to brainstorm about the future here at St. Paul both with the coming year's budget and long-term planning. Topics will include: Vicarage Program, Mission Opportunities, Communion Frequency, 175th Anniversary Celebration, and more.

As we look back over the past 175 years and look forward to 2027 when we will celebrate the anniversary of the sanctuary, we have the opportunity to make plans for how we may celebrate and contribute to the legacy of the Gospel here at St. Paul.

Together, as the Body of Christ, we joyfully embrace the opportunities and challenges that God has for us.

**LUTHERAN SPECIAL EDUCATION MINISTRIES** is looking for full-time intervention specialist position at St. Paul Lutheran - Westlake, OH. Applicants must hold a current Ohio Teaching License and have a special education certification/endorsement. Interested applicants looking for more information or wishing to submit a resume are asked to contact Richard Schumacher at (734) 748-5253 or email him at: [rschumacher@luthsped.org](mailto:rschumacher@luthsped.org).

**LWML PREVIEW DATES**

LWML Sunday: October 2nd, between services.

Lorain-Medina Zone Fall Fellowship Festival: October 16th, 1:30 PM. See insert.

LWML Meeting: Tuesday, November 1st at 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Christmas Family Tea: November 27th at 2:00pm.

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**HAPPY 175TH BIRTHDAY** to the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod! Merchandise is available from the LCMS Store, such as T-Shirts, travel tumblers, magnets and more to commemorate this special event! Please visit: <https://the-lcms-store.square.site/s/shop>

**PORTALS OF PRAYER** the Oct-Dec devotion booklets are available in the Narthex hallway, please take one home today.

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

**WORSHIP BULLETINS & ATTENDANCE SLIPS** You're encouraged to take home your worship bulletins (use the scriptures, hymns and prayers for your own devotions!). Please use the blue recycle tub that is located in the hallway as you leave the sanctuary to place ONLY bulletins and the **unused attendance slips**. Thank you.

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### **COMMUNION OPPORTUNITIES**

Pastor is still providing individual communion opportunities for the foreseeable future.

1. Check the posted times for "walk-in" communion below.
2. 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.

**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.

**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.

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

**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.



## **LWML Lorain-Medina Zone Fall Fellowship Festival**

Sunday, October 16, 2022 1:30PM

Sandy Ridge Metro Park 6195 Otten Road, North Ridgeville,  
Ohio 44039

Join us for a fun afternoon of fellowship and activities of walking trails,  
bird watching, and games for the youth.

**Barbecue chicken** will be provided as well as all paper supplies and  
drinks, but we are asking names **A to M for a side dish** and  
**N to Z for a dessert** to complete this meal.

**Please reply by October 9<sup>th</sup>** to St. Paul Lutheran Church at  
[www.spvc.org](http://www.spvc.org) or call 330-483-3883.

LWML is encouraging all to donate to KY flood victims  
and information will be at the picnic.

This get-together is to provide a time to encourage growth of our  
LWML zone units in our area churches.

Talk it up in your congregation, give us a reply, and with your side dish  
come for a great get-together!





# **REFORMATION HYMN SING**

When

**OCTOBER 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2022  
3PM**

**CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH  
13812 BELLAIRE RD  
CLEVELAND, OH 44135**

Come join us for an afternoon of singing! Featuring 7 of Martin Luther's hymns (among other favorites) with a joint choir, instruments, and a few local organists. A light reception will follow.

Come join area Lutherans and "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ."

If you would like to sing, play, or for any further information, please contact  
[barb.kavouras@pm.me](mailto:barb.kavouras@pm.me)



| SEPTEMBER 2022                |         |                              |                         |                            |                           |
|-------------------------------|---------|------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
|                               | SERVICE | September 4<br>SUNDAY        | September 11<br>SUNDAY  | September 18<br>SUNDAY     | September 25<br>SUNDAY    |
| ELDER                         | 8am     | Tim Wadle / Steve Kato       | Tim Wadle               | Tim Wadle / Steve Kato     | Steve Kato                |
|                               | 10:30am | Rob Zacharias / Sam Jakabcic | Jim Jackson             | Sam Jakabcic / Jim Jackson | Rob Zacharias             |
| USHERS                        | 8am     | Mark Gordon                  | Jim Sherry              | Chris Duran                | Dave Hesketh              |
|                               | 10:30am | Brian Dearth                 | Bill Steingass          | Jay Moser                  | Brian Dearth              |
| GREETERS                      | 8am     | Heinrich & Irmgard Cordes    | David & Mackenzie Duran | Dean & Beth Bremke         | Heinrich & Irmgard Cordes |
|                               | 10:30am | Elder                        | Barb Pijor              | Elder                      | Barb Pijor                |
| ELDER INFO                    |         |                              |                         |                            |                           |
| Stephen Kato<br>330-242-7183  |         |                              |                         |                            |                           |
| Tim Wadle<br>216-214-7109     |         |                              |                         |                            |                           |
| Jim Jackson<br>330-391-6393   |         |                              |                         |                            |                           |
| Rob Zacharias<br>330-416-6013 |         |                              |                         |                            |                           |
| Sam Jakabcic<br>216-789-1076  |         |                              |                         |                            |                           |



# 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.