

**October 30, 2022**  
**Reformation Day**

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# Opening Hymn: 656 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

LSB 656



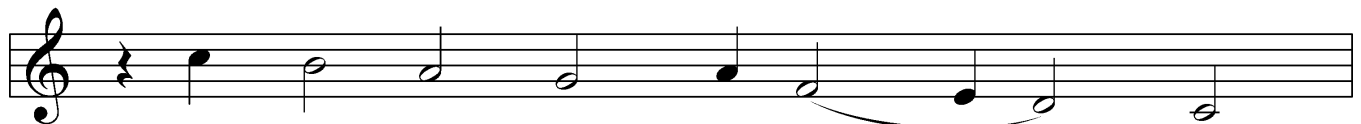
1 A might - y for - tress is our God,  
 2 With might of ours can naught be done,  
 3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill,  
 4 The Word they still shall let re - main



A trust - y shield and weap - on;  
 Soon were our loss ef - fect - ed;  
 All ea - ger to de - vour us,  
 Nor an - y thanks have for it;



He helps us free from ev - 'ry need  
 But for us fights the val - iant One,  
 We trem - ble not, we fear no ill;  
 He's by our side up - on the plain



That hath us now o'er - tak - en.  
 Whom God Him - self e - lect - ed.  
 They shall not o - ver - pow'r us.  
 With His good gifts and Spir - it.



The old e - vil foe Now means  
 Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus  
 This world's prince may still Scowl fierce  
 And take they our life, Goods, fame,



dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might  
 Christ it is, Of Sab - a - oth Lord,  
 as he will, He can harm us none.  
 child, and wife, Though these all be gone,

Are his dread arms in fight; On earth  
And there's none oth - er God; He holds  
He's judged; the deed is done; One lit -  
Our vic - t'ry has been won; The King -

is not his e - qual.  
the field for - ev - er.  
tle word can fell him.  
dom ours re - main - eth.

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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

*Hebrews 10:22; Psalm 124:8; Psalm 32:5 LSB 184*

- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** who made heaven and earth.  
**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

## Confession of Sins

*LSB 184*

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,  
**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

## Absolution

[John 20:19-23] LSB 185

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**G** Amen.

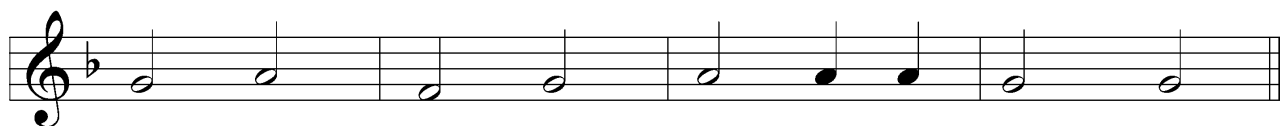
## Service of the Word

### Kyrie

Mark 10:47 LSB 186



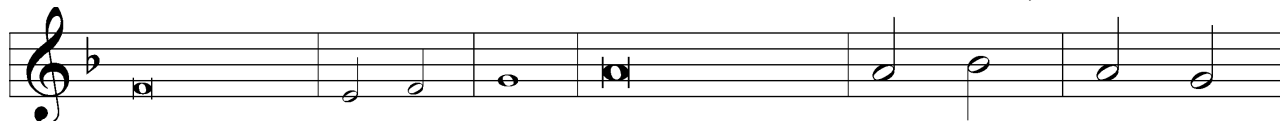
**G** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

### Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29 LSB 187



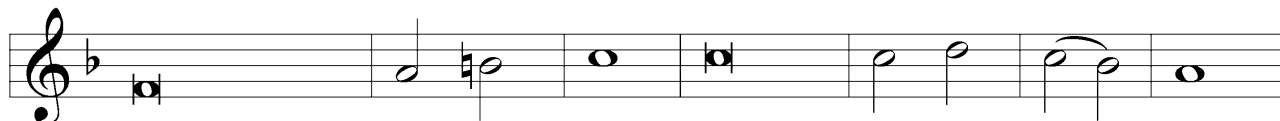
**P** Glory be to God on high: **G** and on earth peace, good - will toward



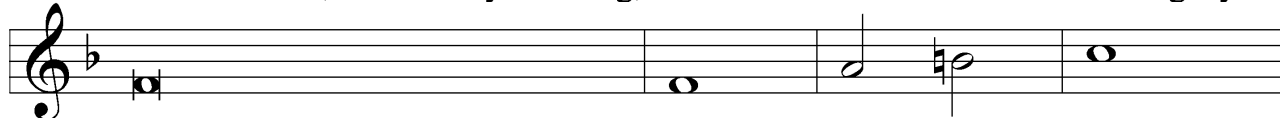
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



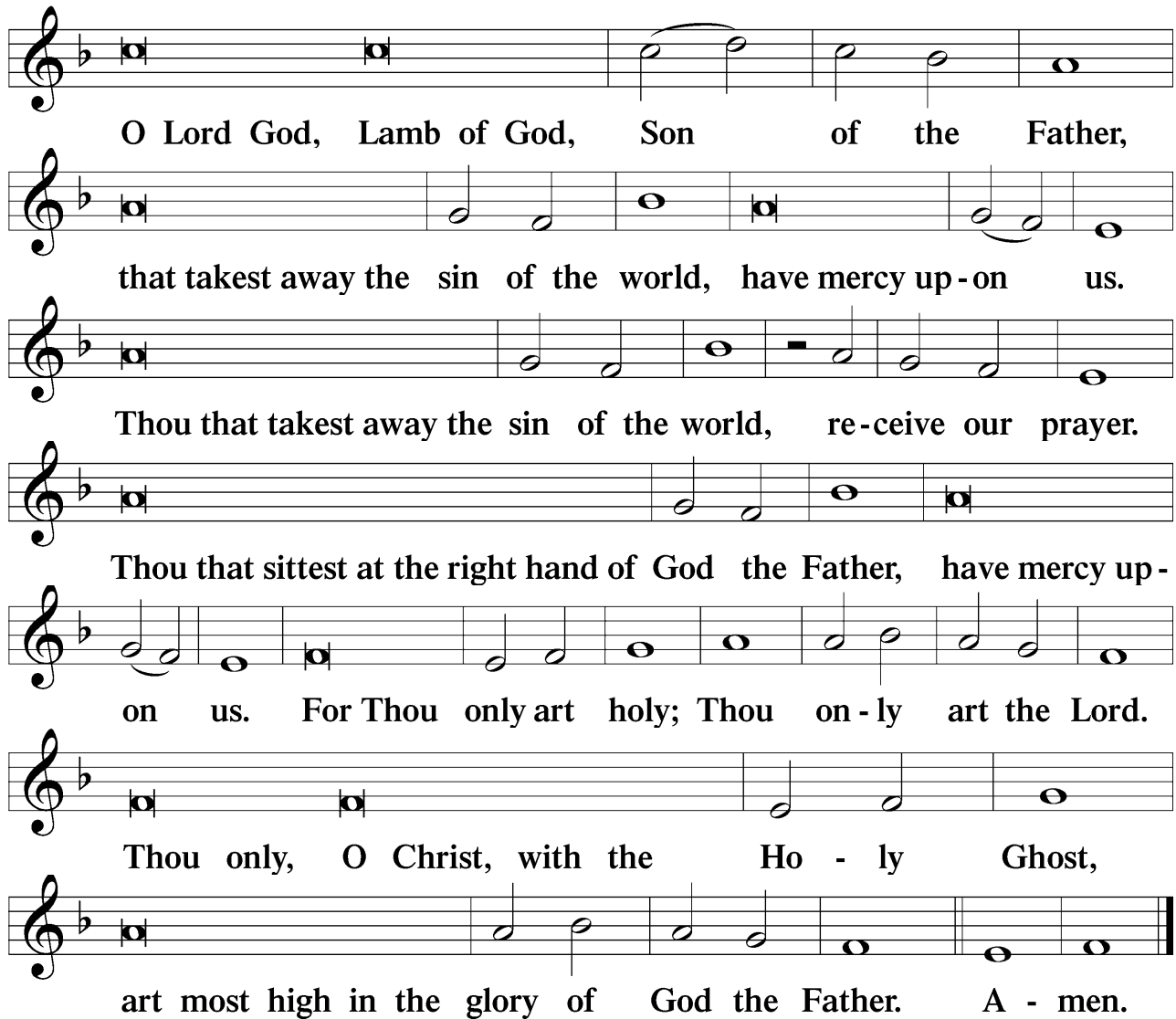
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.

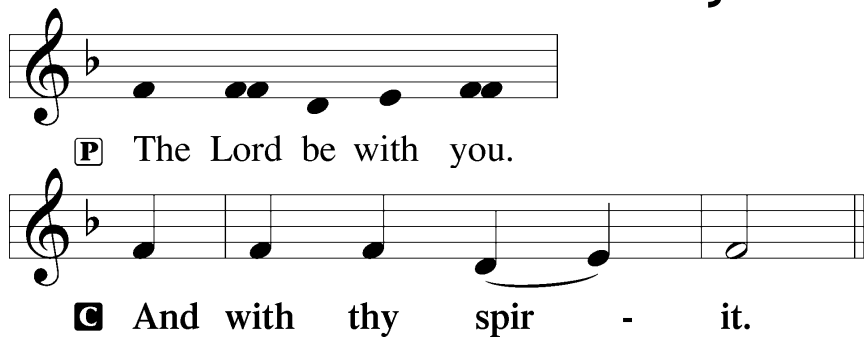


O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



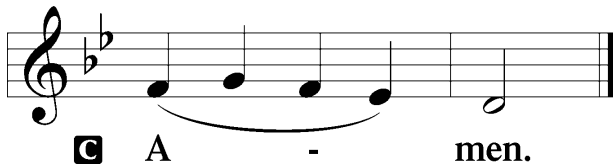
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-  
on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.  
Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spir-it.

- P** Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*Sit*

## First Reading

*Revelation 14:6-7*

**A** The First Reading is from Revelation, chapter 14.

<sup>6</sup>Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. <sup>7</sup>And he said with a loud voice, “Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm Response

*Psalm 48:1a, 12-14a*

Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised  
**in the city of our God!**

Walk about Zion, go around her, number her towers,  
**consider well her ramparts, go through her citadels,**  
 that you may tell the next generation  
**that this is God, our God forever and ever.**

## Epistle

*Romans 3:19-28*

**A** The Epistle is from Romans, chapter 3.

<sup>19</sup>Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup>For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup>But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: <sup>23</sup>for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup>and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God’s righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. <sup>26</sup>It was to show his righteousness

at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup>Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup>For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

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## Alleluia

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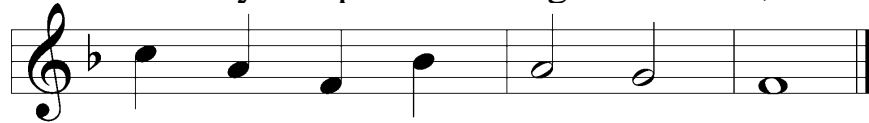


**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

John 8:31-36

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.

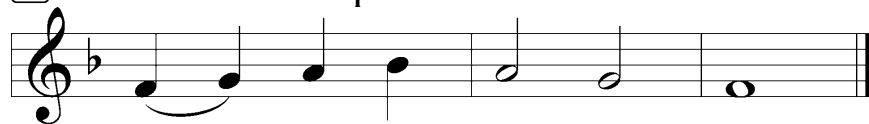


**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>31</sup>So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” <sup>33</sup>They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free’?”

<sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.”

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



**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

*Sit*

## Announcements

## Sermon Hymn: We All Believe in One True God

LSB 954  
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1 We all be - lieve in one true God, Who cre - at - ed  
 2 We all be - lieve in Je - sus Christ, His own Son, our  
 3 We all con - fess the Ho - ly Ghost, Who, in high - est

earth and heav - en, The Fa - ther, who to us in love  
 Lord, pos - sess - ing An e - qual God - head, throne, and might,  
 heav - en dwell - ing With God the Fa - ther and the Son,

Has the right of chil - dren giv - en. He in soul and  
 Source of ev - 'ry grace and bless - ing; Born of Mar - y,  
 Com - forts us be - yond all tell - ing; Who the Church, His

bod - y feeds us; All we need His hand pro - vides us;  
 vir - gin moth - er, By the pow - er of the Spir - it,  
 own cre - a - tion, Keeps in u - ni - ty of spir - it.

Through all snares and per - ils leads us, Watch - ing that no  
 Word made flesh, our el - der broth - er; That the lost might  
 Here for - give - ness and sal - va - tion Dai - ly come through

harm be - tide us. He cares for us by  
 life in - her - it, Was cru - ci - fied for  
 Je - sus' mer - it. All flesh shall rise, and

day and night; All things are gov - erned by His might.  
 all our sin And raised by God to life a - gain.  
 we shall be In bliss with God e - ter - nal - ly.

A - men, a - men.



# 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.*

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## 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.

Gracious God, You have renewed Your Church in every age with the voices of those who recall Your people to the Gospel and who speak Your Word in all circumstances. Receive our thanks for Martin Luther and those with him who contended for the Gospel against many and great enemies. Make us bold, that we would also contend for the faith against

those who would silence our voices or distract Your people from the one true Gospel of the crucified and risen Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** O Lord, guard and defend us and Your Holy Christian Church throughout the world, that we may be protected from the temptations of the devil, the world and our own sinful nature. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Lord, make us truly Your disciples. Keep us in Your Word, free us from all errors, and make our homes and families peaceful. Preserve all fathers and encourage them for their godly task, that children would be brought up in the fear and instruction of the Lord. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Have mercy on our nation. Give us good and faithful rulers who will govern after Your good pleasure. Give us comfort and a right understanding of Your rule in this world, that we would not be deceived to think earthly powers will last forever, but have confidence in You alone. Your kingdom come! Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** God of grace, do not let Your people fear though the earth gives way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea. Rescue all people in need, [*especially* \_\_\_\_\_,] and comfort them with the promise that You are with them. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Blessed Father, You have granted us the privilege of a place at Christ's table. Give us faithful and repentant hearts by Your Spirit, that we would receive worthily Your Son's body and blood and depart to bear His fruit in lives of holiness and humble service. Bless Your Church through the forgiveness of sins, that we would have a clear conscience before You and live at peace with one another. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank You that You have brought us by Your Word out of the darkness of error and into the light of Your grace. Mercifully help us to walk in that light. Guard us from error and false doctrine, and grant that we would not become ungrateful and despise Your Word, but receive it with all our heart, conduct our lives according

to it and put our trust in Your grace; through the merits of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

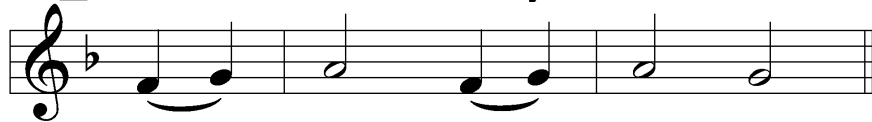
## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

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



**P** The Lord be with you.



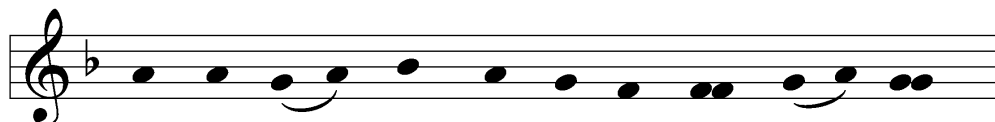
**C** And with thy spir - it.



**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

**P** It is truly meet, 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,



bless-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 6:9-13 162*

**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.

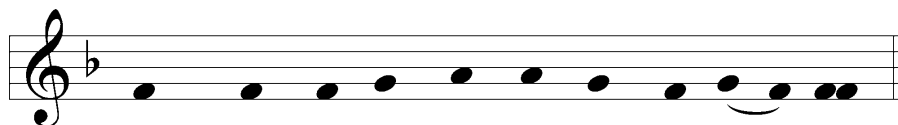
## The Words of Our Lord

**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*



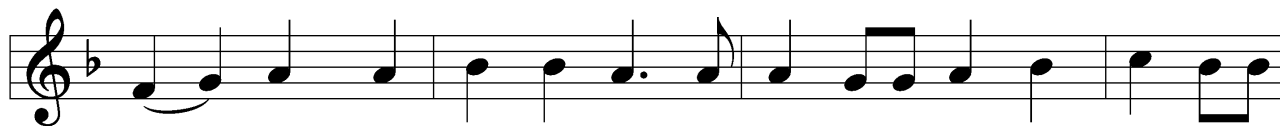
**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**G** A - men.

### Agnus Dei

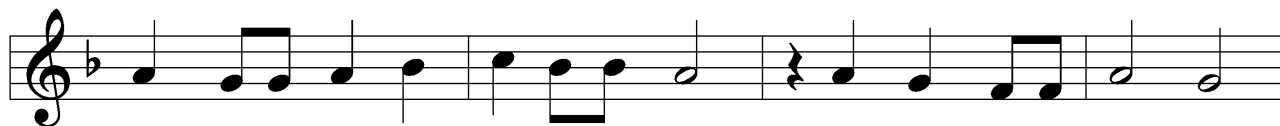
*John 1:29 LSB 198*



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



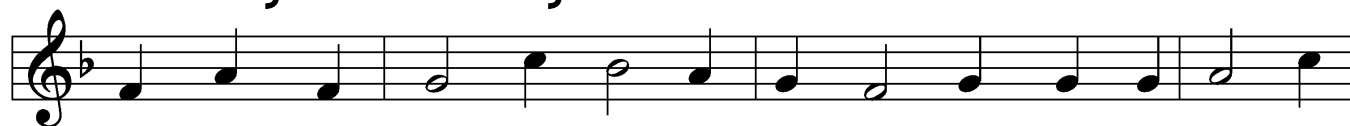
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## **Distribution AS YOU RECEIVE THE LORD'S SUPPER**

- 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.

# Distribution Hymn: 566 By Grace I'm Saved

LSB 566



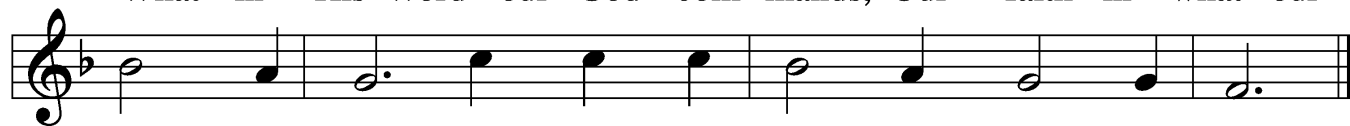
1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be-lieve and  
 2 By grace! None dare lay claim to mer - it; Our works and con - duct  
 3 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior, Came down to earth to  
 4 By grace! This ground of faith is cer - tain; As long as God is



doubt it not. Why stag - ger at this word of prom - ise?  
 have no worth. God in His love sent our Re - deem - er,  
 bear our sin. Was it be - cause of your own mer - it  
 true, it stands. What saints have penned by in - spi - ra - tion,



Has Scrip - ture ev - er false - hood taught? No! Then this word must  
 Christ Je - sus, to this sin - ful earth; His death did for our  
 That Je - sus died your soul to win? No, it was grace, and  
 What in His Word our God com - mands, Our faith in what our



true re - main: By grace you too will life ob - tain.  
 sins a - tone, And we are saved by grace a - lone.  
 grace a - lone, That brought Him from His heav'n - ly throne.  
 God has done De - pends on grace— grace through His Son.

5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble,  
 In tribulation's furnace tried,  
 By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,  
 The Father's heart is open wide.  
 Where could I help and strength secure  
 If grace were not my anchor sure?

6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;  
 In Jesus' promise I rejoice;  
 For though I know my heart's condition,  
 I also know my Savior's voice.  
 My heart is glad, all grief has flown  
 Since I am saved by grace alone.

# Distribution Hymn: God's Word Is Our Great Heritage LSB 582

First Time: ALL

Second time: ORGAN INTERLUDE

Third Time: ALL

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: Grant Peace, We Pray, in Mercy, Lord LSB 777

First Time: ALL

Second time: ORGAN INTERLUDE

Third Time: ALL

Grant peace, we pray, in mer - cy, Lord; Peace  
 in our time, O send us! For there is  
 none on earth but You, None oth - er  
 to de - fend us. You on - ly,





Lord, can fight for us. A - men.

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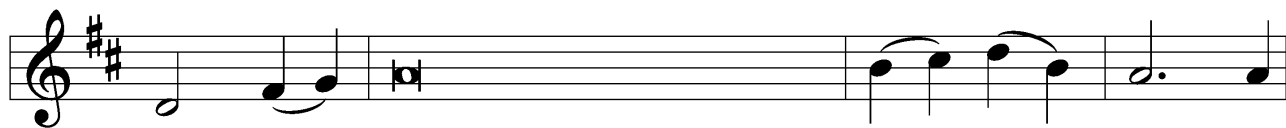
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**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ☩ in peace.

**C** Amen.

## Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29-32 LSB 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



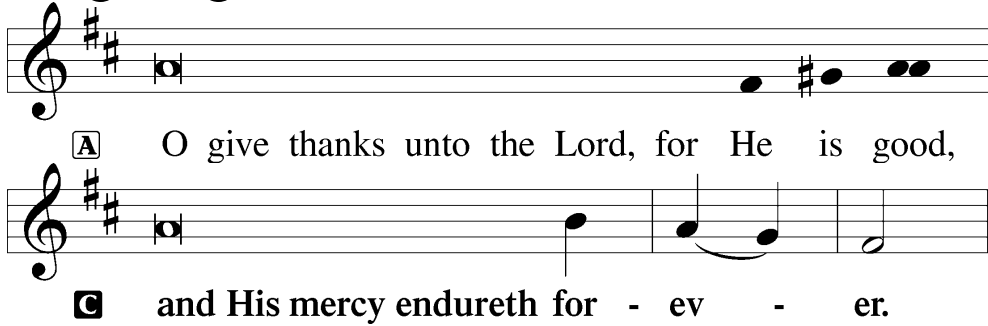
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,



is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## Thanksgiving

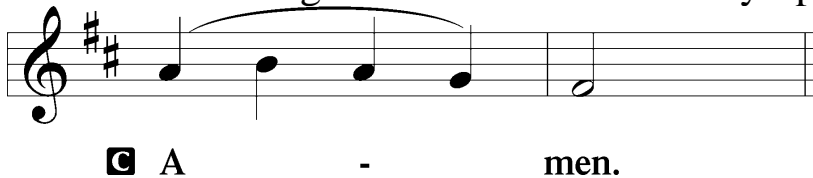
*Psalm 107:1 LSB 200*



**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

## Post-Communion Collect

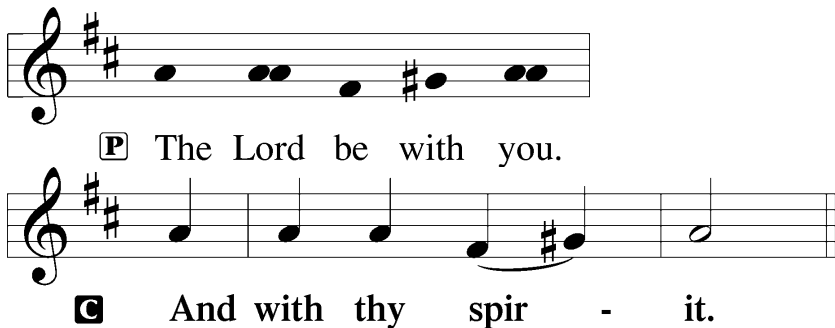
**A** Let us pray.  
 We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## Salutation

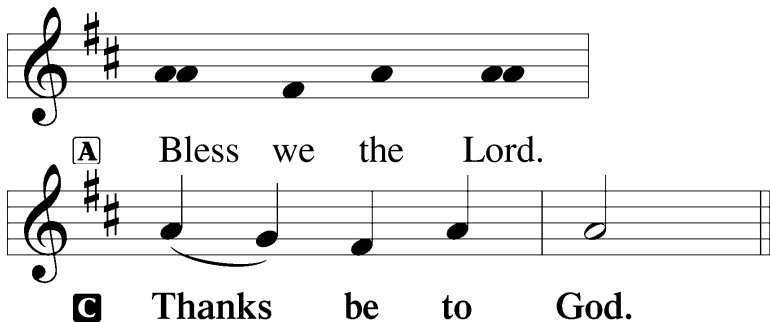
*2 Timothy 4:22 LSB 201*



**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spir - it.

## Benedicamus

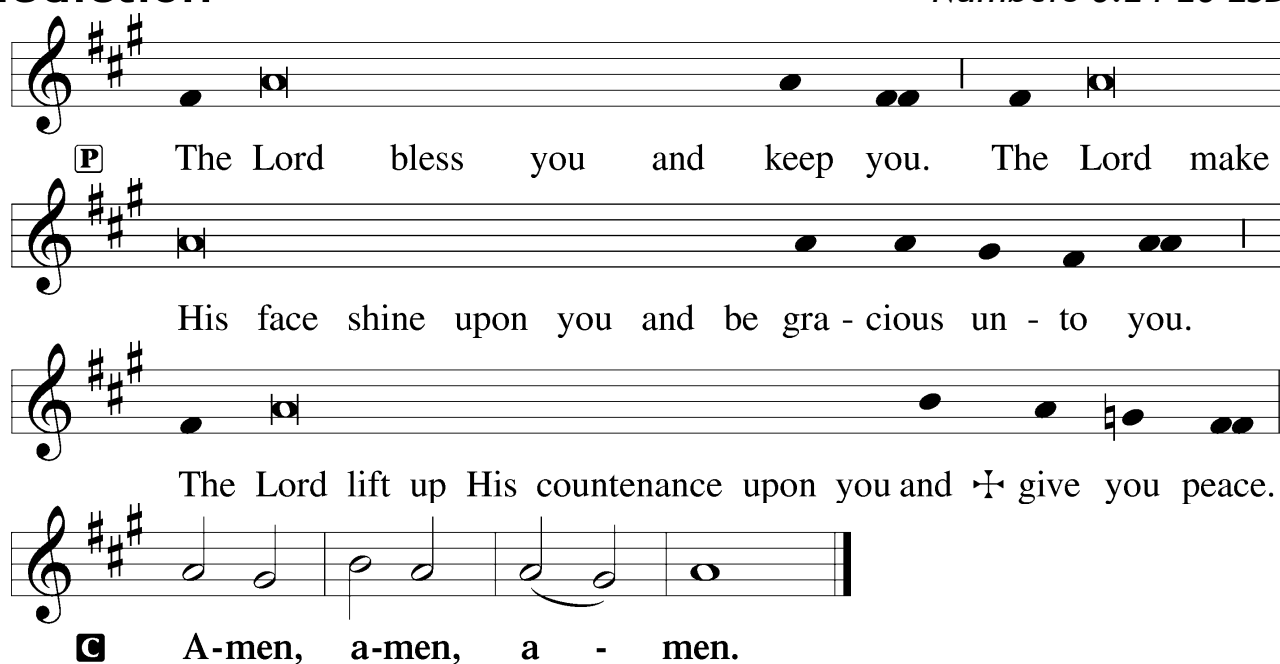
*Psalm 103:1 LSB 202*



**A** Bless we the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

# Benediction

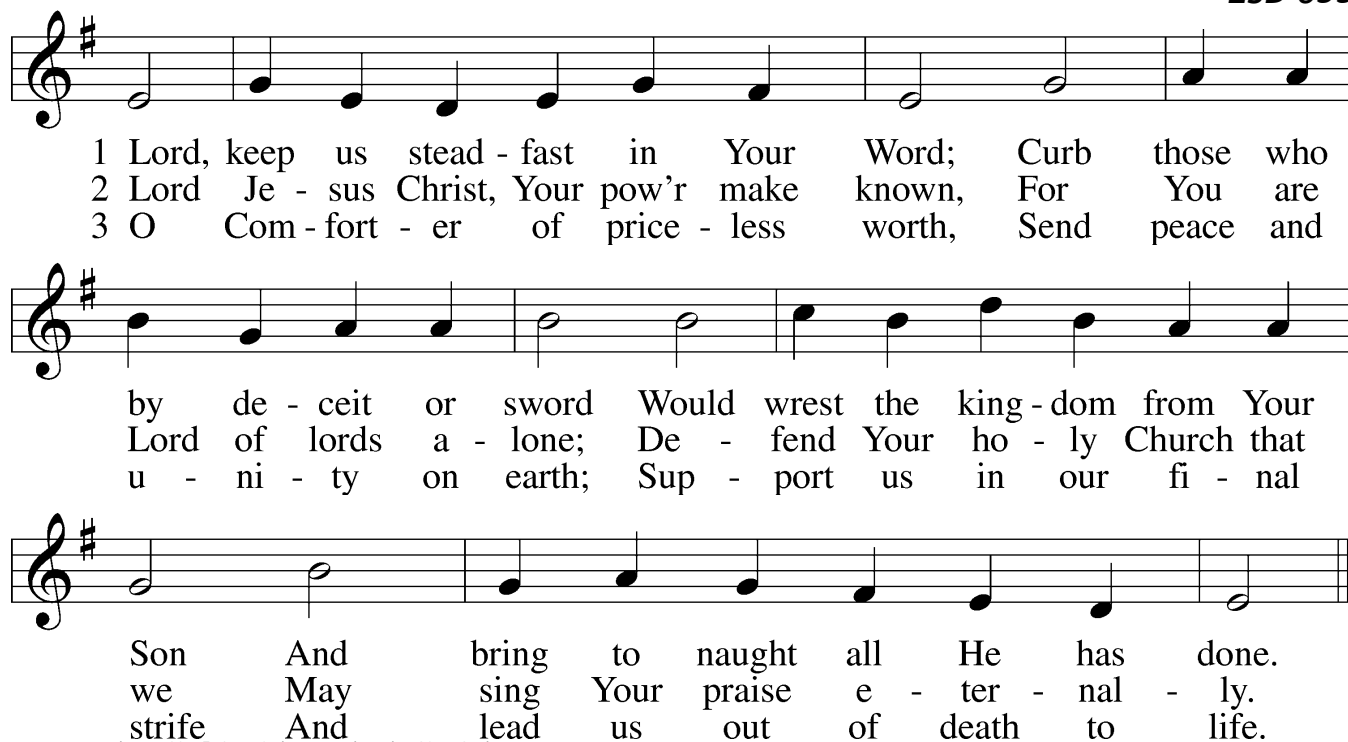
Numbers 6:24-26 LSB 202



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make  
His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.  
**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

## Closing Hymn: 655 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

LSB 655



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are  
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and  
by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your  
Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that  
u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal  
Son And bring to naught all He has done.  
we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.  
strife And lead us out of death to life.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78, alt.  
Tune: Geistliche Lieder aufs new gebessert, 1543, Wittenberg, ed. Joseph Klug  
Text and tune: Public domain

## **THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL**

Today	9:15 / 9:30 AM	Sunday School / Bible Class
Today	12:00-2:00 PM	Walk-In Communion
Monday		NO Confirmation
Tuesday	10:00 AM	LWML & Quilters
Tuesday	5:00-7:00 PM	Walk-In Communion
Wednesday	10:00 AM	Bible Study
Saturday		Time Change

**REFORMATION HYMN SING** is today Sunday at Christ Lutheran Church in Cleveland, OH. Please see insert for more detailed information.

**TIME CHANGE** Don't forget to set your clocks back this coming Saturday night, November 5th; Daylight Savings Time ends.

### **LWML PREVIEW DATES**

LWML Meeting: Tuesday, November 1st at 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.  
Christmas Family Tea: November 27th at 2pm.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR** for the upcoming Voters' Meeting on Sunday, November 13th between services.

### **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.

**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 unused attendance slips**. Thank you.

**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.

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

**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.

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

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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>

**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).

**STUDENT ART CONTEST** sponsored by LCEF. Create an art piece that shows what "Only Jesus-No Other Name" means to you! See insert for more details.

**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.

**THRIVENT FINANCIAL** If you're an eligible member, please consider directing Thrivent Choice Dollars to St. Paul Lutheran Church, Valley City, OH.

**2022 Choice Dollars expire March 2023**, so it's use it or lose it. You may learn more by visiting: [www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice](http://www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice) or by calling Thrivent at: 1-800-847-4836 and when prompted, say "Thrivent Choice." Thank you for helping to support the mission of St. Paul Church.

## The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

LCMS Stewardship Ministry – [lcms.org/stewardship](https://lcms.org/stewardship)

Newsletter Article – October 2022

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### “We Are All Beggars”

In the early morning hours of Feb. 18, 1546, Martin Luther closed his eyes forever. Before that happened, the hand that hammered the 95 Theses into the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg on Oct. 31, 1517, penned its final words: “We are all beggars. This is true.” And this is the truth that our Lord says makes you free.

Ironic, isn’t it? In order to be free, you must be a beggar. You must be utterly dependent and reliant upon God. This makes us uncomfortable – the way we’re uncomfortable when someone gets us a Christmas present when we haven’t gotten them one. We feel we owe them. And we don’t like being in someone’s debt like that.

But what Luther would remind us is that we are all indeed beggars. And we’re not just anyone’s beggars. We’re God’s beggars. Christ came for sinners. He came to seek and save the lost. He came to heal the sick and raise the dead. He came for sinners, and He dwells only with sinners.

If we are to be where He is, we must be willing to be counted among the lost, the sick, and the dead. We must be willing to be beggars. We must cry out for mercy, for grace, and for his undeserved love and kindness. We must be dependent solely on Him and what He gives.

And here’s the beauty: He gives us everything. Everything. Forgiveness of sins, salvation from death and the devil, and eternal life. This isn’t because of any worthiness or merit in us. It is because of His divine goodness, mercy, and grace. On account of Christ’s death and resurrection, the Father forgives you, saves you, and is pleased with you. You receive His love, His righteousness, His holiness, His acceptance, and His inheritance. We are all beggars. This is true.

This is the heart and soul of Christianity and the lifeblood of the Christian Church. God justifies us and declares us innocent and righteous by His grace received through faith for the sake of Christ. This isn’t because of our works but because of His work on the cross. We, who once were enemies of God, are reconciled to Him and made to be His children.

This is what Luther pointed us to when He took up his pen for the last time and scribbled “We are all beggars. This is true.” We are beggars, but we are beggars of the God who does not ignore us and who doesn’t pass by us on the other side. We are beggars of the One who descended from heaven to make His dwelling with sinners.

We are beggars of Him who deigns to dwell with us, among us, and – yes – still in us by grace for Christ’s sake. For in the bread and cup that we bless we share together with Christ and each other the riches of God’s grace. The riches of this grace – the Gospel in sermon and absolution, in Baptism, and in Holy Communion – are so inexhaustible that our cups overflow. We, who are God’s beggars, are inexhaustibly satisfied, and we have something to give back in thanksgiving and praise.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE, FALL PRAYER VIGIL** now through November 7th you are invited to join with other Christians for 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are also invited to stand and peacefully pray anytime between 7am-7pm during the 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Preterm, Planned Parenthood or Family Planning. For more information, contact Audrey Harris or John Noall at [clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com](mailto:clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com) or call 216-245-9744. Pick up your prayer packets by the Welcome Center today.

### **2022 Fall - Vigil Locations & Details**

#### **Family Planning, 54 South State Street, Painesville, OH 44077**

**Location Contact:** Carol at 440-823-1204

**Parking:** Available on Chardon Street.

**Restrooms:** Dunkin Donuts and McDonald's on Richmond Rd.

**40 DFL Signs:** Call Carol @ 440-823-1204, or

Lake County Right to Life, 8562 Mentor Avenue, Mentor at 440-255-5257

**Schedule Online:** [www.40daysforlife.com/painesville](http://www.40daysforlife.com/painesville)

#### **Preterm, 12000 Shaker Blvd, Cleveland, OH 44120**

**Location Contact:** Peggy at 216-382-9170 or, Mike at 216-403-2489

**Parking:** Street parking on Shaker Blvd, EXCEPT from 4-6:30pm weekdays, any cars on the street during that time will be ticketed.

Between 4-6:30pm parking is available at Perfect Peace Baptist Church, 12001 Shaker Blvd. or,

Our Lady of Peace Church, East 126 & Shaker.

**Restrooms:** McDonald's located at 11420 Buckeye Rd and Library @ Shaker & MLK.

**40 DFL Signs:** Call Mike at 216-403-2489

**Schedule Online:** [www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland](http://www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland)

#### **Planned Parenthood, 25350 Rockside Rd, Bedford Hts, OH 44146**

**Location Contact:** Mary at 440-897-0656

**Parking:** Cannon Rd. Beverage, NE corner of Rockside and Aurora Rd.; far east corner of parking lot by sidewalk.

**Restrooms:** Speedway gas station; Burger King Restaurant

**40 DFL Signs:** Call Mary at 440-897-0656

**Schedule Online:** [www.40daysforlife.com/bedfordheights](http://www.40daysforlife.com/bedfordheights)

### **EVENTS**

**November 6th:** Closing Prayer Rally, 3pm Preterm 12000 Shaker Blvd., Cleveland 44120

"Our media are the streets. Abortion will end when the people of God say so. Now is the time for people of every religious and political background to join together to stop the killing. When we come out on the streets, we always win. Fewer babies die and more consciences are stirred to action, starting with our own."

#### **WEBSITES:**

[www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland](http://www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland)

[www.40daysforlife.com/painesville](http://www.40daysforlife.com/painesville)

[www.40daysforlife.com/bedfordheights](http://www.40daysforlife.com/bedfordheights)



# **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)





Create an art piece that shows what  
**“Only Jesus–No Other Name”** means to you!

### **TYPES OF ENTRIES:**

Drawings, paintings, collages, graphic designs, posters, banners, sculptures, pottery, leather crafts, metal art, beads, baskets, etc.

### **SUBMISSION LEVELS:**

- **Kindergarten-5th Grade:** \$50 LCEF gift card
- **6th-12th Grade:** \$100 LCEF gift card
- **College:** \$200 LCEF gift card

All submissions must be postmarked by **December 1, 2022.**

For more information, visit **[lcef.org/art-contest](https://lcef.org/art-contest)**.

### ***Terms and Conditions***

*The winners of the contest will be notified by Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF). Artwork is subject to being displayed at the 2023 synodical convention and/or the LCMS International Center and/or LCEF headquarters.*

*Shipping of artwork is the responsibility of the participant. LCEF is not responsible for loss or damage during mailing. You also will not receive your art piece back. LCEF reserves the right to keep and distribute artwork as necessary for display.*

*If the contestant misrepresents any information, LCEF reserves the right to revoke the submission.*

# OCTOBER 2022

	SERVICE	October 2 SUNDAY	October 9 SUNDAY	October 16 SUNDAY	October 23 SUNDAY	October 30 SUNDAY Reformation Communion
ELDER	8am	Tim Wadle / Steve Kato	Steve Kato	Tim Wadle / Steve Kato	Tim Wadle	Tim Wadle / Steve Kato
	10:30am	Sam Jakabcic / Jim Jackson	Rob Zacharias	Rob Zacharias / Jim Jackson	Sam Jakabcic	Rob Zacharias / Jim Jackson
USHERS	8am	Mark Gordon	Jim Sherry	Chris Duran	Dave Hesketh	Jim Sherry
	10:30am	Brian Dearth	Bill Steingass	Jay Moser	Erick Gottl	Brian Dearth
GREETERS	8am	Heinrich & Irmgard Cordes	David & Mackenzie Duran	Dean & Beth Bremke	Heinrich & Irmgard Cordes	Dean & Beth Bremke
	10:30am	Elder	Barb Pijor	Elder	Barb Pijor	Elder
ELDER INFO						
Stephen Kato 330-242-7183						
Tim Wadle 216-214-7109						
Jim Jackson 330-391-6393						
Rob Zacharias 330-416-6013						
Sam Jakabcic						

# NOVEMBER 2022

	SERVICE	November 6 SUNDAY All Saints Day <i>Communion</i>	November 13 SUNDAY	November 20 SUNDAY <i>Communion</i>	November 23 Wednesday Thanksgiving Eve <i>Communion</i>	November 27 SUNDAY	November 30 Wednesday Advent-1
ELDER	8am	Tim Wadle / Steve Kato	Steve Kato	Tim Wadle / Steve Kato	Jim Jackson / Steve Kato	Tim Wadle	Jim Jackson
	10:30am	Rob Zacharias / Jim Jackson	Sam Jakabcic	Rob Zacharias / Sam Jakabcic	N/A	Jim Jackson	N/A
USHERS	8am	Mark Gordon	Jim Rafter	Chris Duran		Dave Hesketh	
	10:30am	Brian Dearth	Brian Dearth	Jay Moser		Brian Dearth	
GREETERS	8am	Heinrich & Irmgard Cordes	David & Mackenzie Duran	Dean & Beth Bremke		Branko & Charlie Djordjevic	
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## 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.