


November 20, 2022  
Last Sunday of the Church Year


Hymn of Invocation: 837 Lift High the Cross

LSB 837


*Refrain*



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim Till




all the world a - dore His sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our Cap - tain trod,  
2 Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,  
3 All new - born sol - diers of the Cru - ci - fied  
4 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,

*Refrain*



Our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.  
The hosts of God in con - qu'ring ranks com - bine.  
Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died.  
As Thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to Thee.

5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell  
Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. Refrain

6 So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
Praise to the Crucified for victory! Refrain

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

**C** Amen.

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

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

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

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

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

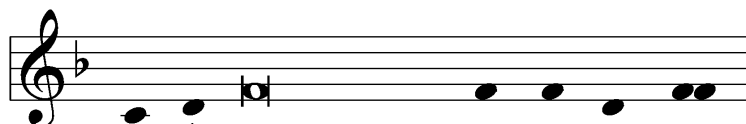
**C** Amen.

*Stand*

## Service of the Word

### Kyrie

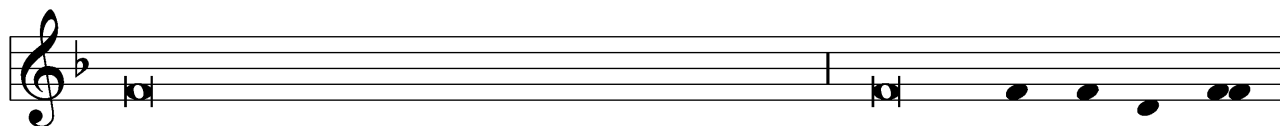
*Mark 10:47 LSB 152*



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



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



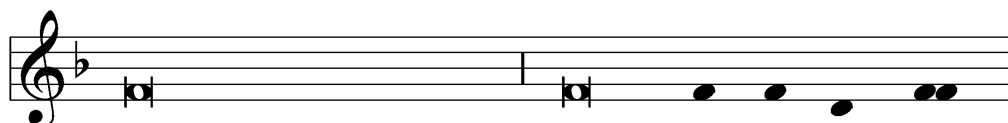
**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



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



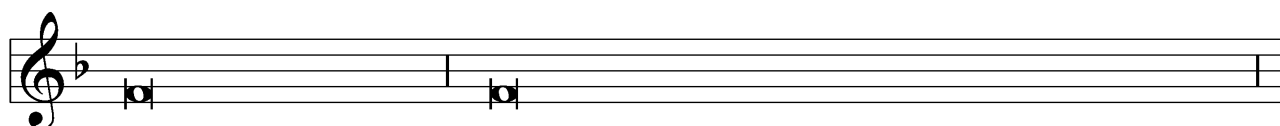
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



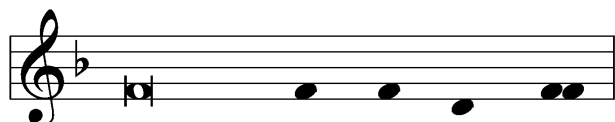
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



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



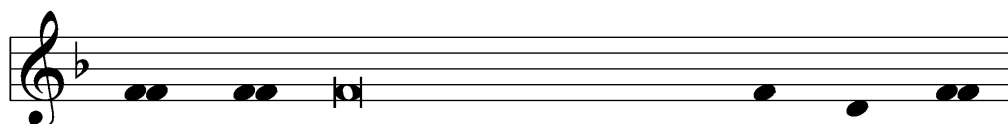
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



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



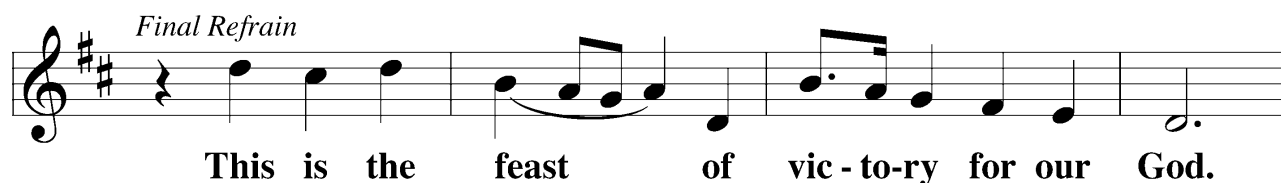
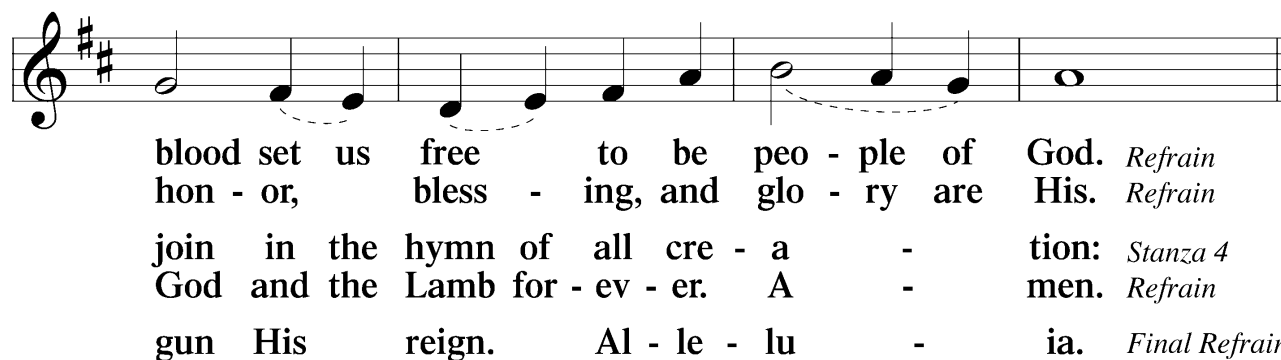
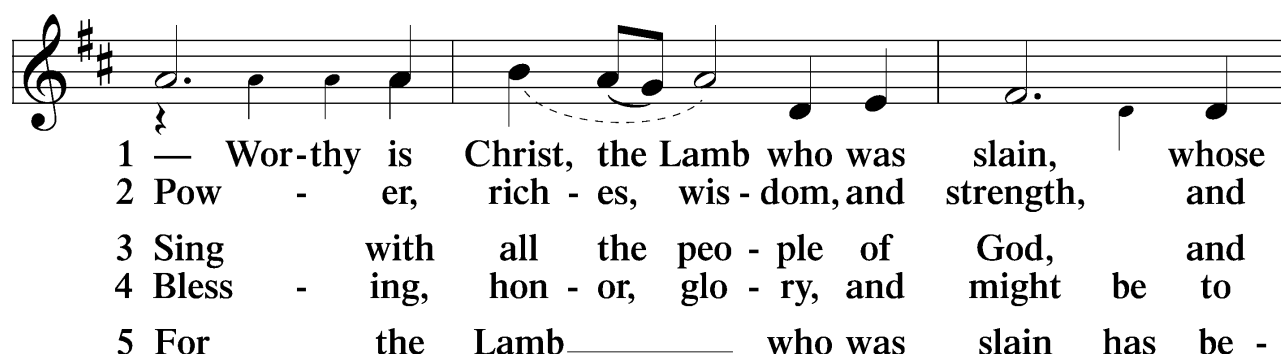
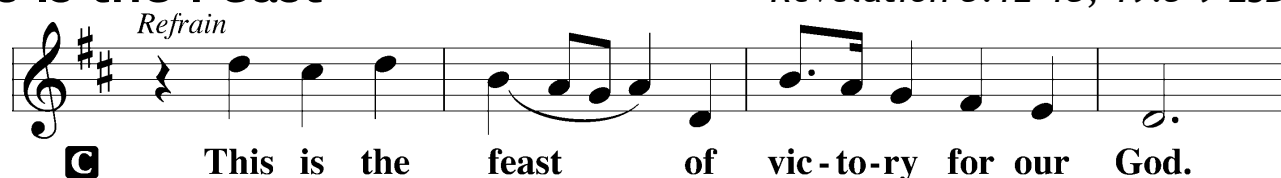
**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



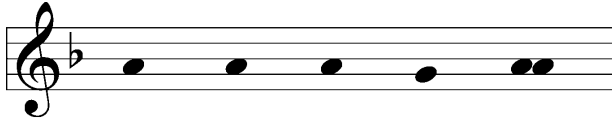
**C** A - men.

# 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.

Lord Jesus Christ, You reign among us by the preaching of Your cross. Forgive Your people their offenses that we, being governed by Your bountiful goodness, may enter at last into Your eternal paradise; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Malachi 3:13-18*

<sup>13</sup>“Your words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, ‘How have we spoken against you?’ <sup>14</sup>You have said, ‘It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts? <sup>15</sup>And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evil-doers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape.’”

<sup>16</sup>Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name. <sup>17</sup>“They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. <sup>18</sup>Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Proper

*Revelation 7:14b; Psalm 84:5*

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

**They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.**

Blessèd are those whose strength is in you,  
**in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**

## Epistle

*Colossians 1:13-20*

<sup>13</sup>He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup>in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

<sup>15</sup>He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. <sup>16</sup>For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup>And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. <sup>18</sup>And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. <sup>19</sup>For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup>and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

**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

*Luke 23:27-43*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-third chapter.



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

<sup>27</sup>And there followed [Jesus] a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. <sup>28</sup>But turning to them Jesus said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. <sup>29</sup>For behold, the days are coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!’ <sup>30</sup>Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us,’ and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ <sup>31</sup>For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?”

<sup>32</sup>Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. <sup>33</sup>And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>34</sup>And Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” And they cast lots to divide his garments. <sup>35</sup>And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!” <sup>36</sup>The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine <sup>37</sup>and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” <sup>38</sup>There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

<sup>39</sup>One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, “Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!” <sup>40</sup>But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? <sup>41</sup>And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.” <sup>42</sup>And he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” <sup>43</sup>And he said to him, “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

**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: The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns

LSB 532

1 The Head that once was crowned with thorns Is  
 2 The high - est place that heav'n af - fords Is  
 3 The Joy of all who dwell a - bove, The  
 4 To them the cross, with all its shame, With

crowned with glo - ry now; A roy - al di - a -  
 His, is His by right, The King of kings and  
 Joy of all be - low, To whom He man - i -  
 all its grace, is giv'n; Their name an ev - er -

dem a - dorns The might - y Vic - tor's brow.  
 Lord of lords, And heav'n's e - ter - nal Light;  
 fest His love And grants His name to know.  
 last - ing name, Their joy the joy of heav'n.

5 They suffer with their Lord below,  
 They reign with Him above,  
 Their profit and their joy to know  
 The myst'ry of His love.

6 The cross He bore is life and health,  
 Though shame and death to Him:  
 His people's hope, His people's wealth,  
 Their everlasting theme.

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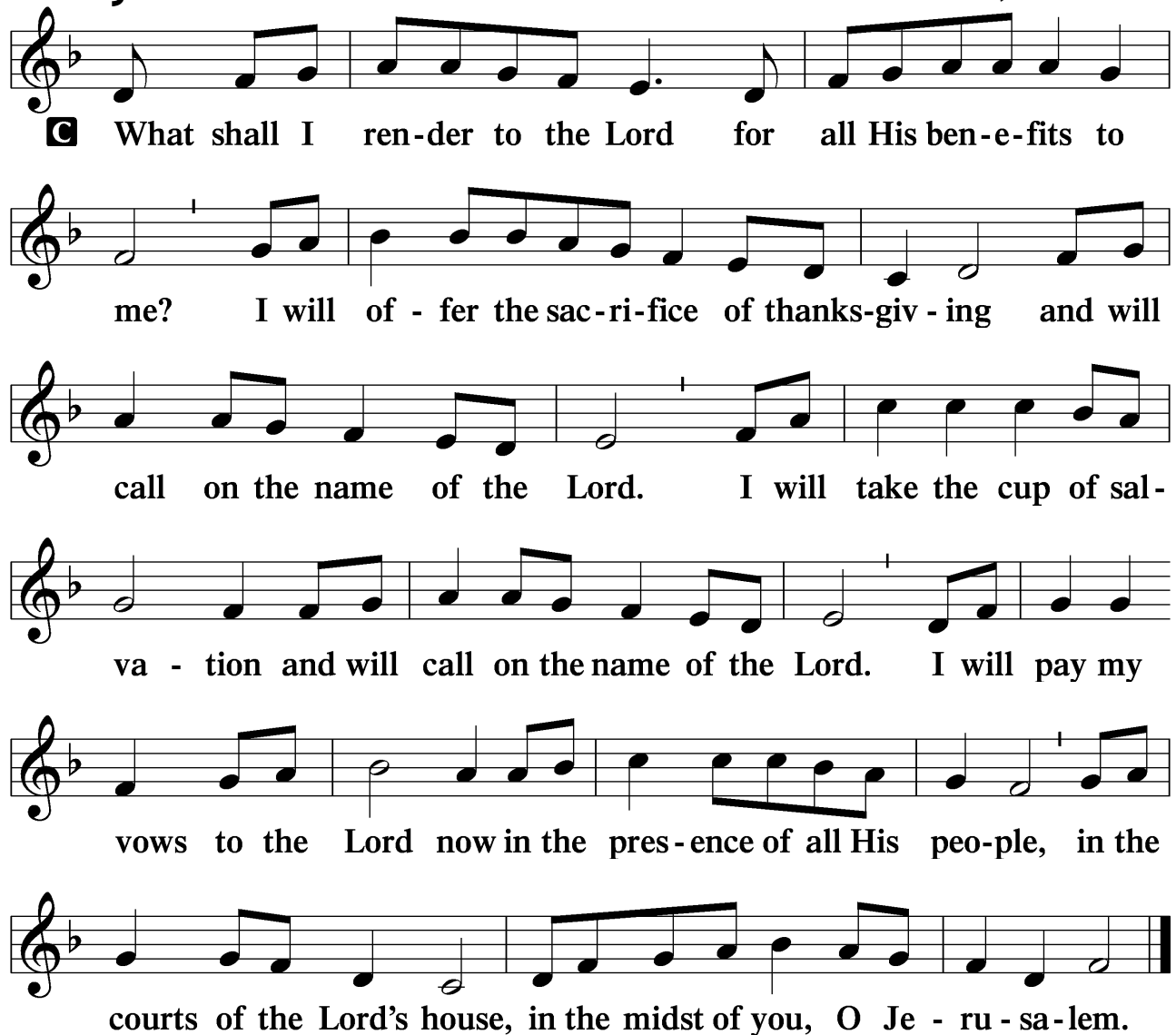
## Sermon

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  
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

*Sit*

## Offering

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

*Stand*

## Prayer of the Church

**P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** In thanksgiving for Christ, our King, who has made peace by the blood of His cross, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the gift of divine pardon, spoken in His Passion from His throne at Golgotha, by which all things are reconciled to God, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For never-ending joy and praise that our Lord has redeemed us by His Passion from wrath and damnation, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For this and all congregations and for the ministers of the Church, that Christ, her Head, would rule over her by the forgiveness of sins and hold all things together for our good, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For all Christian homes, that the Father's treasured possessions spared through the death of His beloved Son would grow in the fear of the Lord, serve Him faithfully and walk undismayed by the prosperity of the wicked until all is revealed, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the inhabitants of the world, that they may stand in awe of Christ, who alone is King of kings and Lord of lords, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For good government and preservation of life in the midst of a fallen world, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** That our true King would return soon for His judgment, which alone can reveal His kingdom and our citizenship, which are not of this world, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the troubled, the sick and the dying, [*especially* \_\_\_\_\_,] that our King would remember us not according to our sins, but according to His pardon spoken from the cross, and so deliver us from all evil, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For all who commune this day, that we would not weep in remembrance of the Christ of God as if He were crucified in vain but mourn our sins and taste His kingdom's pleasure in His very body and blood given and shed for our forgiveness, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

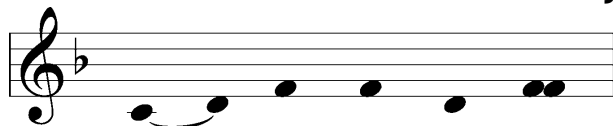
**P** O Christ, our King, in Your blood the saints of all ages wash their robes and find entrance to paradise with You. Bring us also with them out of death and the grave and into resurrection and eternal life at the Last Day, when we will see You crowned with glory; for You are the Lamb who was slain and now lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

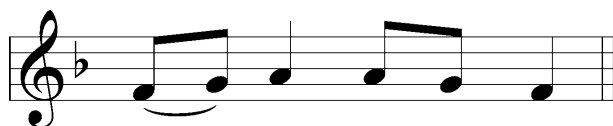
## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

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



**P** The Lord be with you.



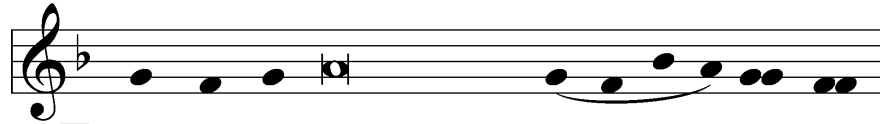
**C** And al - so with you.



**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.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9 LSB 161*



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



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



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

## Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9-13 LSB 162*

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

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

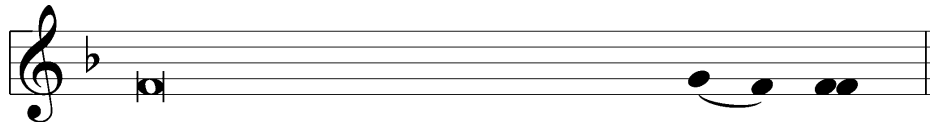
## The Words of Our Lord

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

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

*John 20:19 LSB 163*



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



**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.

*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.

# Distribution Hymn: 621 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

LSB 621



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence And with fear and  
 2 King of kings yet born of Mar - y, As of old on  
 3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en Spreads its van - guard  
 4 At His feet the six - winged ser - aph, Cher - u - bim with

trem - bling stand; Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,  
 earth He stood, Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture,  
 on the way As the Light of Light, de - scend - ing  
 sleep - less eye, Veil their fac - es to the pres - ence

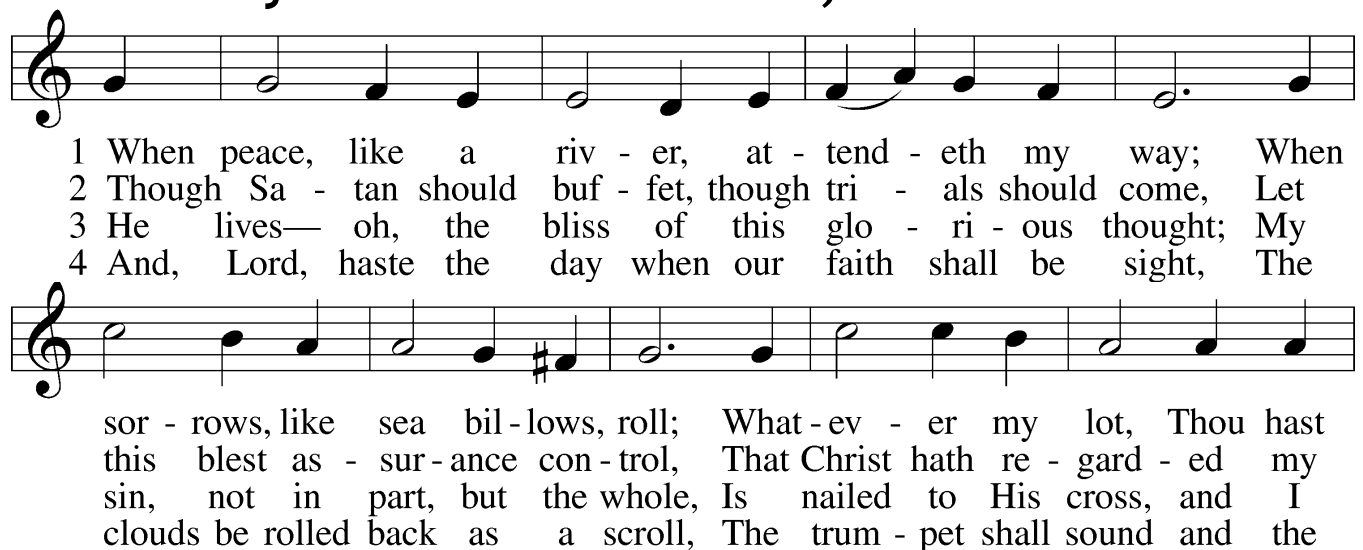
For with bless - ing in His hand Christ our God to earth de -  
 In the bod - y and the blood, He will give to all the  
 From the realms of end - less day, Comes the pow'rs of hell to  
 As with cease - less voice they cry: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

scend - ing Comes our hom - age to de - mand.  
 faith - ful His own self for heav'n - ly food.  
 van - quish As the dark - ness clears a - way.  
 lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Text: Liturgy of St. James, 5th cent.; tr. Gerard Moultrie, 1829–85, alt.  
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# Distribution Hymn: 763 When Peace, like a River

LSB 763



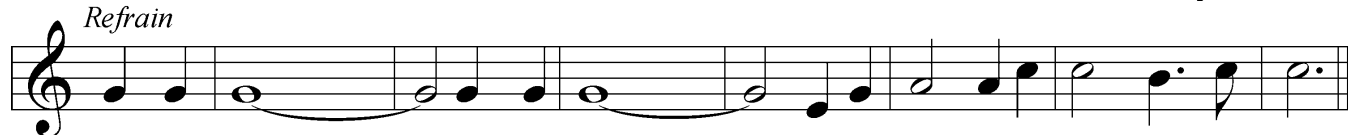
1 When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way; When  
 2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, Let  
 3 He lives— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; My  
 4 And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight, The

sor - rows, like sea bil - lows, roll; What - ev - er my lot, Thou hast  
 this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, That Christ hath re - gard - ed my  
 sin, not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to His cross, and I  
 clouds be rolled back as a scroll, The trum - pet shall sound and the





taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.  
 help - less es - tate And hath shed His own blood for my soul.  
 bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
 Lord shall de-scend; E - ven so it is well with my soul.



*Refrain*  
 It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

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## Distribution Hymn: 742 For Me to Live Is Jesus

LSB 742



1 For me to live is Je - sus, To die is gain for me;  
 2 For Christ, my Lord, my broth - er, I leave this world so dim  
 3 My woes are near - ly o - ver, Though long and dark the road;  
 4 Lord, when my pow'rs are fail - ing, My breath comes heav - i - ly,



So when my Sav - ior pleas - es, I meet death will - ing - ly.  
 And glad - ly seek an - oth - er, Where I shall be with Him.  
 My sin His mer - its cov - er, And I have peace with God.  
 And words are un - a - vail - ing, O hear my sighs to Thee.

5 In my last hour, O grant me  
 A slumber soft and still,  
 No doubts to vex or haunt me,  
 Safe anchored in Thy will;

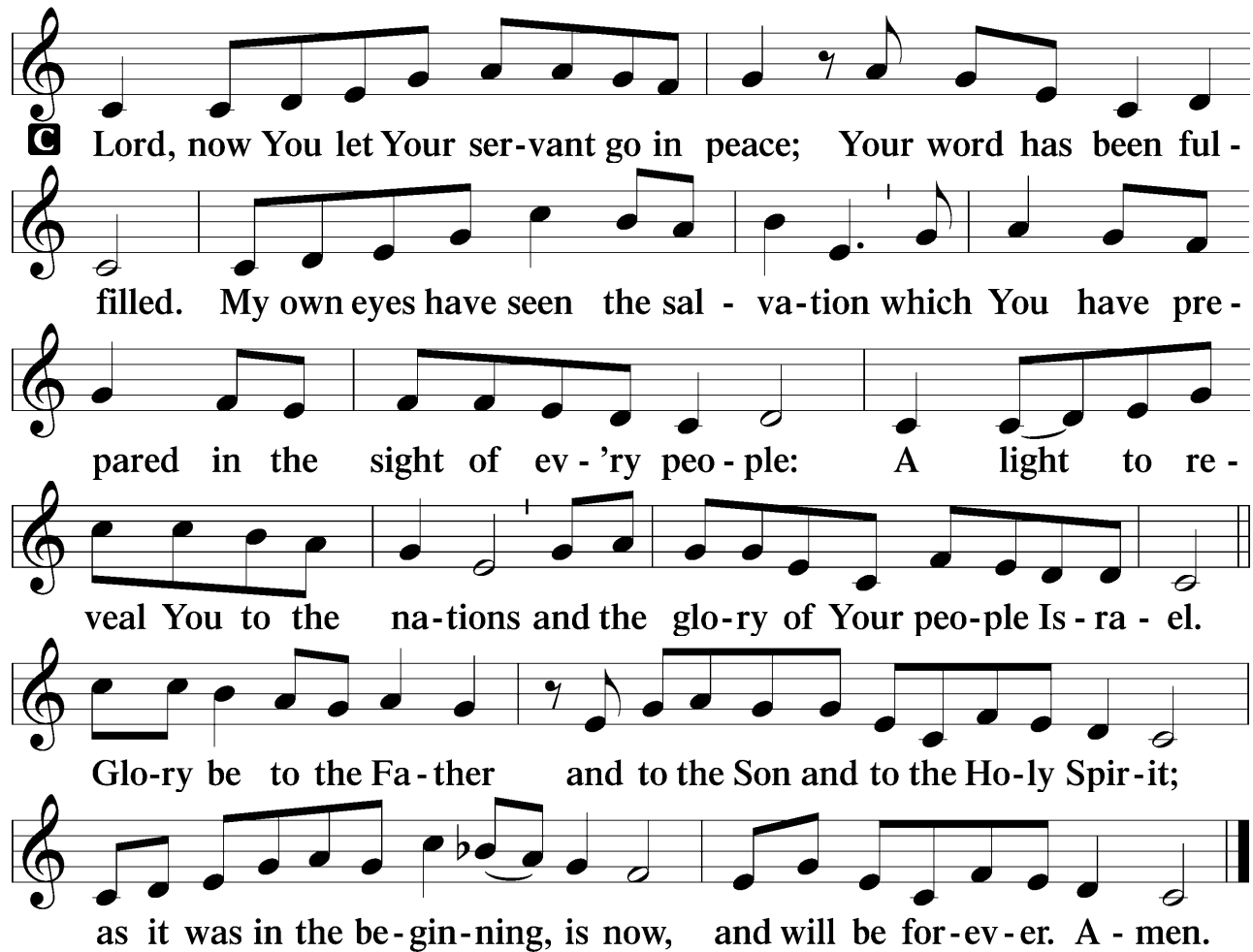
6 And so to Thee still cleaving  
 When death shall come to me,  
 I fall asleep believing  
 And wake in heav'n with Thee!

Text: Ein schön geistlich Gesangbuch, 1609, Jena; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78, alt.  
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*Stand*

# Nunc Dimittis

*Luke 2:29-32 LSB 165*



Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have prepared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to reveal 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** 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 Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.



**LSB 525**



1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;  
2 Crown Him the vir - gin's Son, The God in - car - nate born,  
3 Crown Him the Lord of love. Be - hold His hands and side,  
4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the grave  
5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds a - bove,



Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own.  
Whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won Which now His brow a-dorn:  
Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri-fied.  
And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save.  
Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The won-drous name of Love.



A - wake, my soul, and sing	Of Him who died for thee, And
Fruit of the mys-tic rose,	Yet of that rose the stem, The
No an-gels in the sky	Can ful-ly bear that sight, But
His glo-ries now we sing,	Who died and rose on high, Who
Crown Him with man-y crowns	As thrones be-fore Him fall; Crown



hail Him as thy match-less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The babe of Beth - le - hem.  
 down-ward bend their won-d'ring eyes At mys - ter - ies so bright.  
 died e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.  
 Him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, For He is king of all.

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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 - 7:30 PM	Confirmation
Tuesday	12:00 - 2:00 PM	Walk-In Communion
Wednesday		NO Bible Study
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Thanksgiving Eve Worship
Saturday	9:00 AM	Church Decorating

**ADVENT DEVOTIONALS** Adult and Children's Devotion booklets are available in the Narthex hallway, please take one home today.

**CHRISTMAS CHURCH DECORATING** Come one, come all! Let's join in together and adorn the walls and halls of St. Paul Lutheran Church for our upcoming Advent Season and the birth of our Dear Savior Jesus Christ. Saturday, November 26th at 9:00 AM. Sign-up is at the Welcome Center.

**CHRISTMAS FAMILY TEA** is on Sunday, November 27th, at 2:00 PM. Begin your Advent season with songs from our members and cookies for all! Please join us whether you are a participant or a worshiper of our Newborn King. Sign-ups are at the Welcome Center.

**NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY** Sundays in December we will be taking photos for a new directory! Sign-up in the Narthex for times between and after services. We'll take "walk-ins" as time allows. Photos will be taken off to the side of the sanctuary behind the organ. Each household will receive an email of the digital photo that you can use however you'd like. Questions? Contact Len Maver (440-781-9009).

**VALLEY CITY SING ALONG** is on Saturday, December 10th, at 6:00 PM. Everyone is welcomed! If you are interested in singing, to set-up or bring goodies, please sign-up at the Welcome Center.

**For Choir Members:** You are also welcomed to sing one special song! We'll meet after late service on December 4th for a rehearsal.

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM** Children are welcomed to perform at the late service on December 18th. We will rehearse our songs during Sunday School time throughout December. Contact Sarah Moser for questions.

**ST. MARTIN'S 27th HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW** will be on Saturday, November 19th from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. Free Admission, Bake Sale & Lunch Available.  
1800 Station Road, Valley City, OH. 330-483-3808.

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

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

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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.

**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.

**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>

**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.

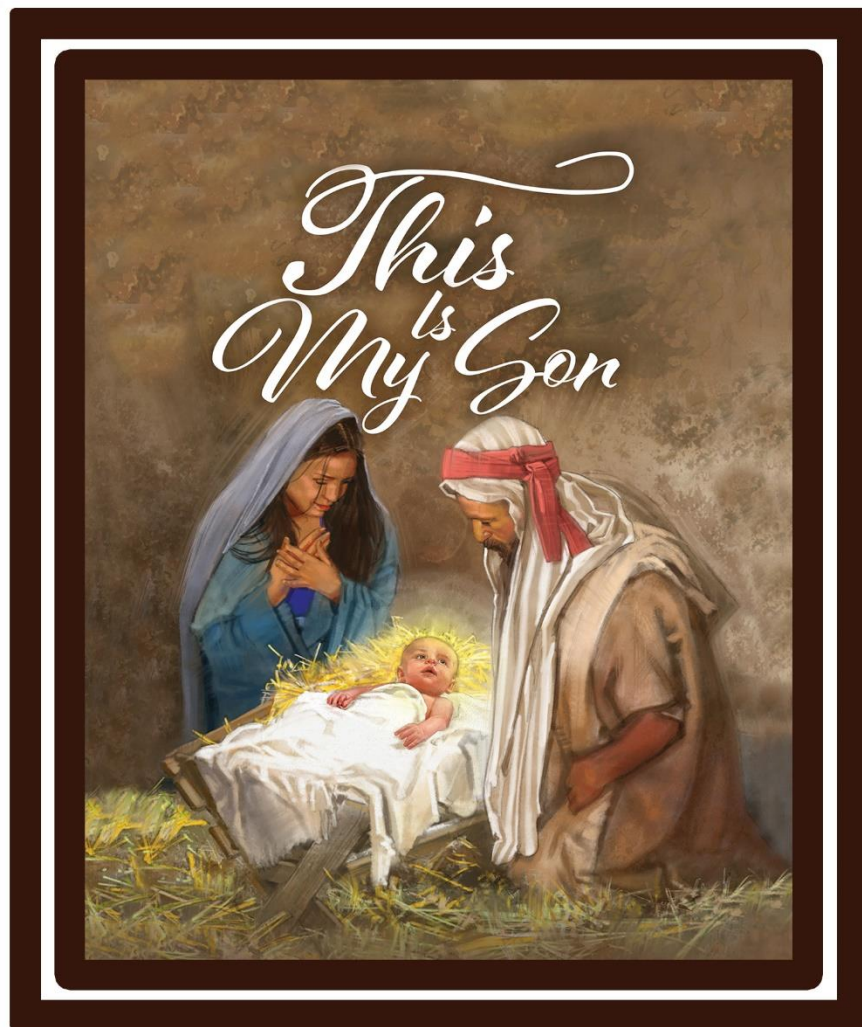
**SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE** We continue to take offerings to provide relief to those affected by the war in Ukraine. Thank you to everyone who has shown their generosity.

**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.

# NOVEMBER 2022

	SERVICE	November 6 SUNDAY All Saints Day <b>Communion</b>	November 13 SUNDAY	November 20 SUNDAY <b>Communion</b>	November 23 Wednesday Thanksgiving Eve <b>Communion</b>	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		Jim Jackson	
USHERS	8am	Mark Gordon	Jim Rafter	Chris Duran		Dave Hesketh	
	10:30am	Brian Dearth	Brian Dearth	Jay Moser		Brian Dearth	N/A
GREETERS	8am	Heinrich & Irmgard Cordes	David & Mackenzie Duran	Dean & Beth Bremke		Branko & Charlie Djordjevic	
	10:30am	Elder	Jim Jackson	Elder		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							
216-789-1076							



Christmas Tea      Sunday, November 27, 2:00pm

Wednesdays      11:30 am & 7:00pm (supper @ 6pm)  
in Advent      December 2, 9, 16, & 23

Sunday School      Sunday, December 18  
Program      10:30am

**Christmas Eve**      11:30am      11am Carols by Request  
Candlelight Lessons and Carols      4:00pm & 7:00pm  
3:30pm & 6:30pm Carols by Request

**Christmas Day**      10:00am  
Sunday, December 25 One worship service.

**www.spvc.org**





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.*

## **TOY COLLECTION**

### **MARYSSA'S MISSION**

The Maryssa's Mission Foundation serves medically fragile communities. We here at St. Paul Church are collecting **UNWRAPPED** toys for all ages, infants through teens.

Toys will be given out by Santa at Ronald McDonald house of Cleveland, Akron and Columbus, also Ronald McDonald rooms at Cleveland Clinic, Fairview and University hospitals.

**We are now accepting UNWRAPPED toys**  
which will run through  
**Sunday, December 11th.**

**PLEASE:** (Due to safety issues)  
No stuffed toys/animals or toys from the Dollar Tree.

There will be a box in the Narthex for drop off.

Thank you for your caring and giving to these children and their families helping to make their Christmas a joyful and blessed time this Christmas season. God Bless you.



# 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.