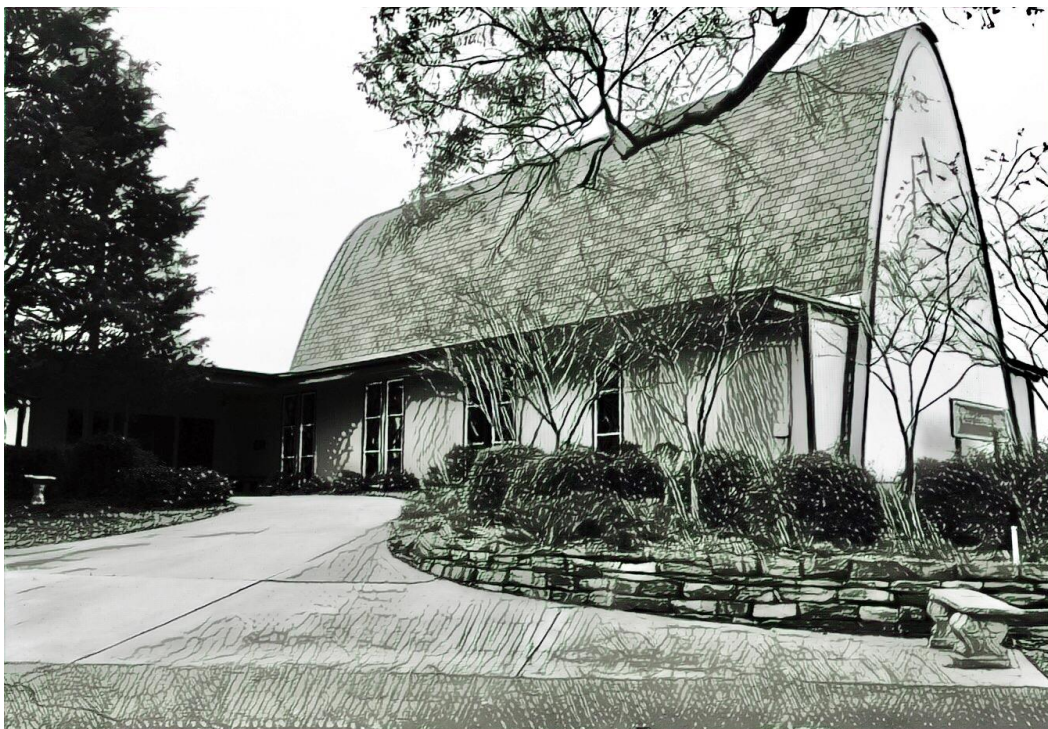


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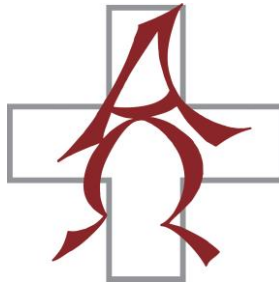
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# THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

+ October 17, 2021 +

**“The First Shall Be Last, and the Last, First”**



We welcome our members and guests to Christ Lutheran today,  
and pray God’s richest blessings upon you during this time of worship!

*All members and our guests are asked to complete the  
worship attendance pads which can be found on each pew.  
Guests are also asked to sign the guest register found in the Narthex.  
We are so glad to have you worshipping with us today!*

*LARGE PRINT worship folders are available  
at the usher stand at the back of the nave.*

## **WELCOME:**

“Such, O my soul, are the miseries that attend on riches. They are gained with toil and kept with fear. They are enjoyed with danger and lost with grief. It is hard to be saved if we have them; and impossible if we love them; and scarcely can we have them, but we shall love them inordinately. Teach us, O Lord, this difficult lesson: to manage conscientiously the goods we possess, and not covetously desire more than you give to us.”

–St. Augustine, *Confessions*

# THE LORD'S SUPPER

In preparation for reception of the Lord's Supper (*Holy Communion*), it is important that we review and understand what the Bible teaches regarding this sacrament:

The Bible teaches that Jesus gives us His very body and blood along with bread and wine in Holy Communion<sup>1</sup>, and that these are means by which He forgives our sins<sup>2</sup>, and strengthens us for daily living, and draws us into closer fellowship with Him and other believers. The Bible also teaches us to examine ourselves prior to receiving the meal<sup>3</sup>. For those receiving Holy Communion, examine yourself with these questions:

**Do I believe that I am a sinner and I am sorry for my sins?**

**Do I believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son and my personal Savior?**

**Do I believe that Christ's true body and blood are present in this holy meal for my forgiveness?**

**Do I truly intend with the help of God to correct my sinful life?**

According to Christ's Word in the Holy Scriptures, and in confession with the true Christian faith, at Christ Lutheran we observe the practice of closed communion. We believe that all who commune must confess the same holy faith, as Holy Scripture teaches. Since one's church affiliation indicates an individual's confession of faith, we ask that only those who have been instructed in the above teaching **and** are confirmed members of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod commune. If you have not been instructed in this teaching on Holy Communion, are in doubt, or hold a different confession of faith<sup>4</sup>, you are still welcome to come forward and cross your arms to indicate that you would like a blessing.

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<sup>1</sup>Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:14-20, 1 Corinthians 11:23

<sup>2</sup>Matthew 26:28; 1 John 1:7; 1 Peter 1:18-19

<sup>3</sup>1 Corinthians 11:28-32

<sup>4</sup>1 Corinthians 10:17; 1 Corinthians 11:26

# DIVINE SERVICE III

## PRESERVICE MUSIC

*The congregation may use this time for prayer and meditation.*

## OPENING HYMN

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

**#790**

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

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

**C** **Amen.**

**P** 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.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**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.**

**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.

**C** **Amen.**

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## INTROIT: BENEDICAM DOMINUM

*Psalm 34:1-4, 17; Ant. Ps. 34:18*



The LORD is near to the broken- | hearted\*  
and saves the crushed in | spirit.

**I will bless the LORD at | all times;\*  
his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.**

My soul makes its boast | in the LORD;\*  
let the humble hear | and be glad.

**Oh, magnify the | LORD with me,\*  
and let us exalt his name to- | gether!**

I sought the LORD, and he | answered me\*  
and delivered me from | all my fears.

**When the righteous cry for help, the | LORD hears\*  
and delivers them out of all their | troubles.**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
and to the Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

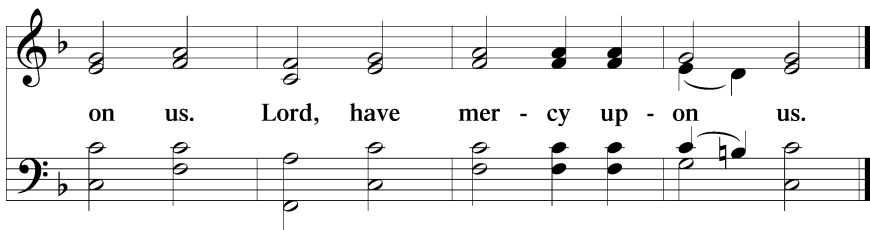
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and saves the crushed in | spirit.

## KYRIE

*Mark 10:47*

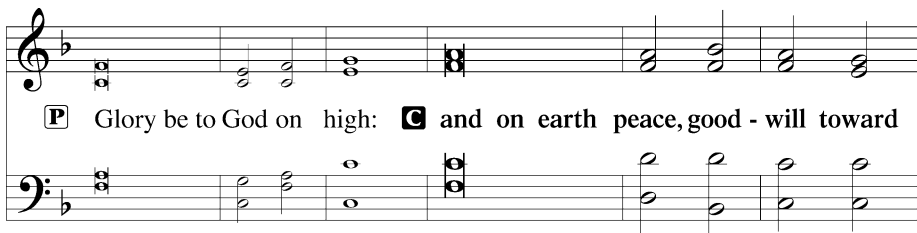
*The congregation is invited to sing in parts:*

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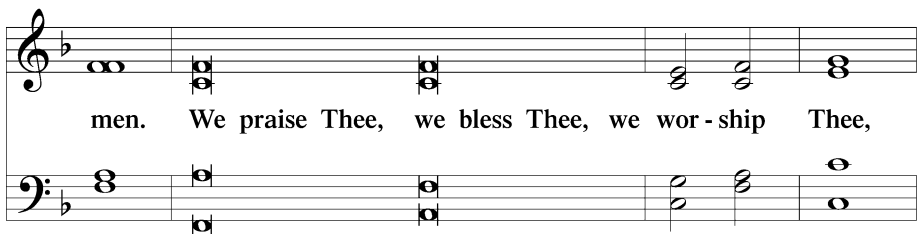


on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

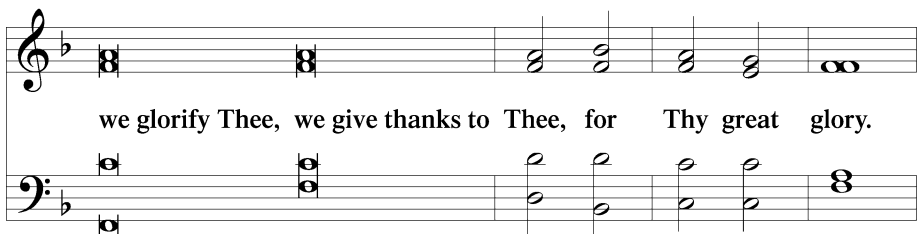
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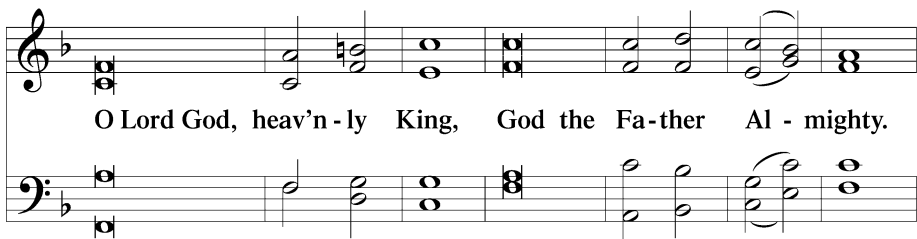
Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward



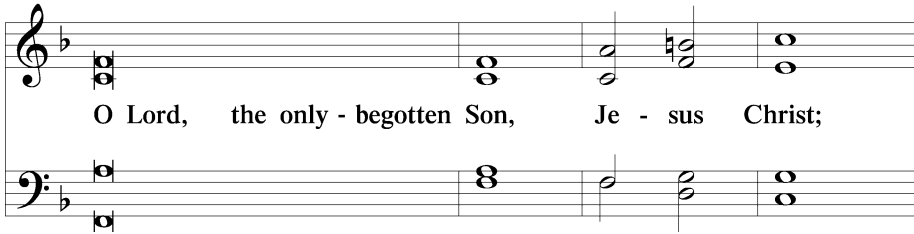
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



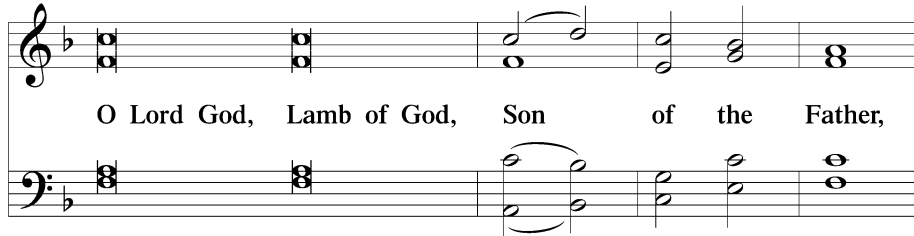
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.




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,



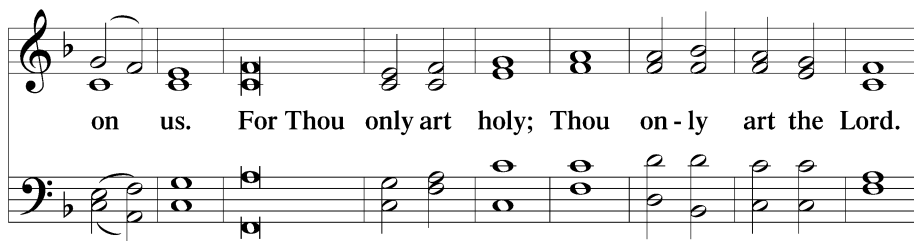
that take away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.



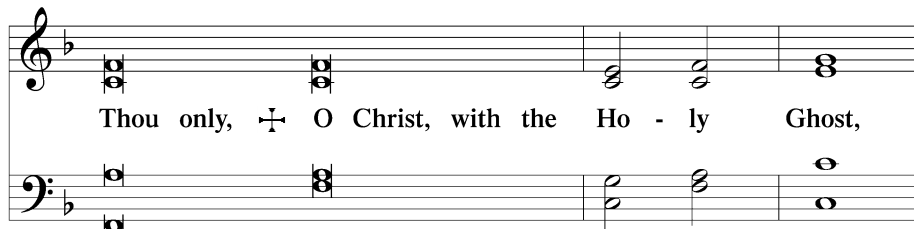
Thou that take away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.



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** Let us pray.



**P** O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*Please be seated*

### OLD TESTAMENT

*Ecclesiastes 5:10-20*

He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep.

There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand. This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.

Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God. For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### GRADUAL

*Psalm 91:11; 103:1*



He will command his angels con- | cerning you\*  
to guard you in | all your ways.

Bless the LORD, | O my soul,\*  
and all that is within me, bless his | holy name!

## EPISTLE

*Hebrews 4:1-13*

Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said,

“As I swore in my wrath,  
‘They shall not enter my rest,’”

although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all his works.” And again in this passage he said,

“They shall not enter my rest.”

Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, again he appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted,

“Today, if you hear his voice,  
do not harden your hearts.”

For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, for whoever has entered God’s rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

## ALLELUIA



☐ Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Mark 10:23-31*

☐ The Holy ✠ Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.



☐ Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!”

And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God.” And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God.” Peter began to say to him, “See, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”

☐ This is the Gospel of the Lord.



☐ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

*Please be seated*

**OFFICE HYMN**

**Jesus, Priceless Treasure**

**#743**

**SERMON**

*On Who Is Rich, Who Is Poor,  
Who Became Poor, and Who Became Rich*

*Please stand*

## NICENE CREED

**C** **I believe in one God,** (Rom 10:10; Deut 6:4)  
**the Father Almighty,** (Mt 6:9; Ex 6:3)  
**maker of heaven and earth** (Gen 1:1; Jn 1:1)  
**and of all things visible and invisible.** (Col 1:16)  
**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,** (Rom 10:9)  
**the only-begotten Son of God,** (Jn 3:16; Mt 16:16)  
**begotten of His Father before all worlds,** (Jn 1:2)  
**God of God, Light of Light,** (Jn 17:22; Jn 8:12; Jn 1:1)  
**very God of very God,** (Col 2:9) **begotten, not made,** (Jn 1:2)  
**being of one substance with the Father,** (Jn 10:30)  
**by whom all things were made;** (Heb 1:2; Jn 1:3)  
**who for us men and for our salvation** (1 Tim 2:4; Rom 3:23)  
**came down from heaven** (Jn 6:41; Lk 15:20)  
**and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary** (Lk 1:34-35)  
**and was made man;** (Jn 1:14)  
**and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.** (Mk 15:25; Jn 19:16-18)  
**He suffered and was buried.** (Jn 19:1-3; Lk 23:53)  
**And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures** (1 Cor 15:4; Lk 24:6)  
**and ascended into heaven** (Acts 1:9)  
**and sits at the right hand of the Father.** (Acts 7:55)  
**And He will come again with glory** (Mt 26:64)  
**to judge both the living and the dead,** (Acts 10:42; Mt 3:12)  
**whose kingdom will have no end.** (2 Pt 1:11)  
**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,** (Jn 14:26; Gen 1:2; Acts 2:38)  
**the Lord and giver of life,** (Gen 1:2; Jn 3:6)  
**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,** (Jn 15:26)  
**who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,** (Mt 3:16-17)  
**who spoke by the prophets.** (Eze 11:5)  
**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,** (1 Pt 2:5; Eph 2:19-22)  
**I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,** (Eph 4:5)  
**and I look for the resurrection of the dead** (1 Cor 15:35-49; 1 Thess 4:13-18)  
**and the life** † **of the world to come.** (Mk 10:29-30; Mt 10:40-42)  
**Amen.** (Ps 106:48)

*Us men* means all people.

*Christian:* the ancient text reads “catholic;” meaning the whole Church as it confesses the wholeness of Christian doctrine

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*For comfort, health and recovery:* **Brad Browning, Michele Cookston Fowler, Darlene Epple, Arlene Kleinschmidt, Judy Nussbaum, Nadie Straub, Bonnie Wood;**

*For those who are ill or distressed:* **Stan Acey, Jenalee Adams, Layne Bagley, Rose Bagley, Shirley Bagley, W.L. Bagley, Sarah Bowman, Mimi Bradley, Richard Bradley, Deloris Brent, Martha Brown, Nathan Brown, Tina Burke, Wayne Burke, Paula Burkhalter, Bobby Carroll, Arthur Collins, James E. Cookston, Joan Cowards, Belinda Cowards-Gonzales, Robert (Andy) Evers, Michele Rae Fowler, Randy Fowler, Parker Haines, Dan Hansen, Paul Hansen, Tim Hansen, Valerie Henderson, Sharon Holleman, Beth Jarratt, Elaine Johnson, Joslyn Jones, Steve Kennedy, Arlene Kleinschmidt, John Koster, Sandra Landers, Katelyn Lawing, Peggy Lucky, Paul McCullough, Jerry McIntyre, Jerry McMahan, Edlia Miller, Elaine Monaghan, Don Ochs, Mildred Odom, Deborah-Annette Ried, Jon Sandberg, Noah Schultz, Johnnie Pearl Smiley, Bob Smith, Sherri Smith, Deborah Springer, Leonard Watson, Dana Weaver, Cynthia Widlitze, Carol Wright, Jimmy Wright, Marshall Wright, Barbara Zeigler;**

*For college and graduate students:* **Sara Fields, Jonathan Kettler, Roselynn Nelson, Will Nelson;**

*For military servants and their families:* **Greg Adams, Gabriel Escude, James (Glen) Hansford, Holden Hathcock, Christopher Martin, William Nelson, Steven Tatum, John Weidner Jr.;**

*For foreign missionaries:* **especially those serving in Spain;**

*This week's prayer family:* **Christopher Martin** and his loved ones.

*Please be seated*

## **OFFERING**

*Please stand*

# OFFERTORY

Psalm 51:10-12

*The congregation is invited to sing in parts:*

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.

# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

## PREFACE

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



**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.

**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



**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

**P** *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.*



**C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the



glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.



## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26–28

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

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

## PAX DOMINI

John 20:19

**P** The peace  $\text{✝}$  of the Lord be with you always.



**G** A - men.

## AGNUS DEI

John 1:29

*The congregation is invited to sing in parts.*

Musical notation for Agnus Dei, first system. It features two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The treble staff contains a vocal line with lyrics: "O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the". The bass staff contains a bass line with lyrics: "world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that".

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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.

*Please be seated*

### **DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT**

*All who are members in good standing of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and have introduced themselves to the pastor are welcome to partake of the Holy Communion at Christ Lutheran. If you have not spoken to the pastor, but would like to receive the Lord's blessing, you may still come to the rail and kneel, crossing one arm over the other in the shape of an 'X'. This symbolizes that one is marked by the cross and Triune name of Almighty God.*

### **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

**I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table**

**#618**

**O Christ, Our Hope, Our Heart's Desire**

**#553**

*Please stand following distribution of communion*

# NUNC DIMITTIS

Luke 2:29-32

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -

The first system of musical notation for 'Nunc Dimittis'. It consists of a treble and a bass staff. The treble staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#), and a common time signature (C). The melody starts with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4 and B4, and a half note C5. The bass staff begins with a bass clef and a key signature of two sharps. It features a series of chords, including a triad of G2, B1, and D2, and a dyad of G2 and B1.

cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

The second system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the melody with a half note C5, followed by quarter notes B4 and A4, and a half note G4. The bass staff continues with chords, including a triad of G2, B1, and D2, and a dyad of G2 and B1.

which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

The third system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the melody with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes F#4 and E4, and a half note D4. The bass staff continues with chords, including a triad of G2, B1, and D2, and a dyad of G2 and B1.

a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

The fourth system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the melody with a half note C4, followed by quarter notes B3 and A3, and a half note G3. The bass staff continues with chords, including a triad of G2, B1, and D2, and a dyad of G2 and B1.

peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

The fifth system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the melody with a half note F#3, followed by quarter notes E3 and D3, and a half note C3. The bass staff continues with chords, including a triad of G2, B1, and D2, and a dyad of G2 and B1.

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

**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

**B** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

### POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

**A** 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 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 AND BENEDICAMUS

**P** The Lord be with you.



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

**P** Bless we the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.

## BENEDICTION

*Numbers 6:24–26*

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

## CLOSING HYMN

## One Thing's Needful

#536, St. 1, 3-5

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**Interpreter:** Denee Smith

**Greeters:** Rush & Allison Agent

**Elder:** Gary Atchley

**Cantor:** Rush Agent

**Altar Guild:** Sabrina Goodlett

**Thank you!** Many thanks to our gracious hosts, the Goodletts, for organizing yesterday's Oktoberfest, and to all who came and participated! It was a wonderful evening of Lutheran fellowship!

**Koinonia Next Week:** Join us for a night of food and fellowship at the Dickens Home **next Sunday** at 5:00 p.m. We will continue our book *Saving Leonardo* by Nancy Percy, chapter four. See you there!

**Remembering Our Loved Ones:** During the celebration of **All Saints' Day on Sunday, November 7**, we shall remember our loved ones who have died. The list from last year is posted in the Church Narthex (entryway). Please add names of those baptized Saints who have *died in the faith* during the *past year* whom you would like to have remembered in the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed.

**Readings for next Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, the Twenty-second Sunday after**

**Pentecost:** Introit Ps. 131; Psalm 126; Jeremiah 31:7-9; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52.

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*This week at Christ Lutheran Church: October 18 – October 24*

**Friday**      **6:30 a.m.** Bible & Breaky

**Sunday**      **9:00 a.m.** Sunday School for All Ages

**10:30 a.m.** **Divine Service – Twenty-second Sunday after  
Pentecost**

**5:00 p.m.** Koinonia



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