

**St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
**Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**  
*Full Service Bulletin*  
Pastor Erik Sorenson



**July 31, 2022**

**MEMBERS AND GUESTS:**

*To listen via radio, please tune to AM 750*

We will celebrate Holy Communion during our worship service this morning.

If you are partaking of the Lord's Supper, please read and fill out one of the registration cards on the back of the pew. You may place it in the offering plate or hand it to the usher.

**Communion Statement** - The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are kindly asked first to speak with the pastor. In addition to this being our practice, we do not want our visitors to violate their own conscience or the public confession of faith that is made through their home Church membership. Those not receiving communion are invited to come forward with arms crossed to receive a blessing from the pastor. We thank you for respecting our practice. For further study, see Matt. 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15–35; 26:26–29; 1 Cor. 11:17–34.

# Confession and Absolution

## 714 Who Trusts in God a Strong Abode

*Hymn of Invocation*



1 Who trusts in God A strong a - bode In heav'n and  
 2 Though Sa - tan's wrath Be - set our path And world - ly  
 3 In all the strife Of mor - tal life Our feet will



earth pos - sess - es; Who looks in  
 scorn as - sail us, While You are  
 stand se - cure - ly; Temp - ta - tion's



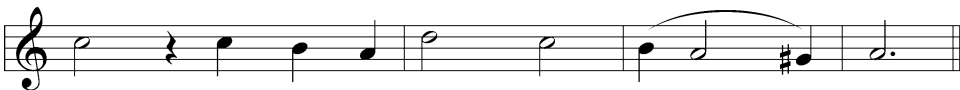
love To Christ a - bove, No fear that heart op -  
 near, We shall not fear; Your strength will nev - er  
 hour Will lose its pow'r, For You will guard us



press - es. In You a - lone, Dear Lord, we own Sweet  
 fail us. Your rod and staff Will keep us safe And  
 sure - ly. O God, re - new With heav'n - ly dew Our



hope and con - so - la - tion, Our shield from foes, Our balm for  
 guide our steps for - ev - er; Nor shades of death Nor hell be -  
 bod - y, soul, and spir - it Un - til we stand At Your right



woes, Our great and sure sal - va - tion.  
 neath Our lives from You will sev - er.  
 hand Through Je - sus' sav - ing mer - it.

## Invocation

LSB 184

- 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.**
- 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

*Psalm 49:7–8, 13–14a, 15; antiphon: vv. 1–2*

Hear this, all peoples!

Give ear, all inhabitants of the world,  
both low and high,  
rich and poor together!

**Truly no man can ransom another,  
or give to God the price of his life,**  
for the ransom of their life is costly  
and can never suffice.

**This is the path of those who have foolish confidence;  
yet after them people approve of their boasts.**

Like sheep they are appointed for Sheol;

death shall be their shepherd.

**But God will ransom my soul from the power of Sheol,  
for he will receive me.**

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

Hear this, all peoples!

Give ear, all inhabitants of the world,  
both low and high,  
rich and poor together!

## Gloria Patri

*LSB 186*

☐ Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;  
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

The musical score for Gloria Patri is presented in two systems. Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The first system covers the lyrics 'Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;'. The second system covers the lyrics 'as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.'. The piano accompaniment features a steady, rhythmic pattern of chords, primarily using eighth and quarter notes.

## Kyrie

*LSB 186*

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

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# Gloria in Excelsis

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

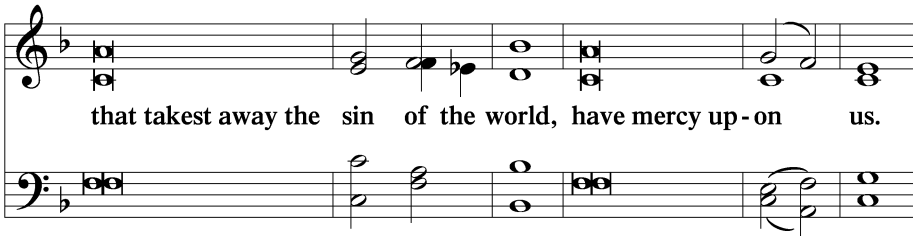
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,

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

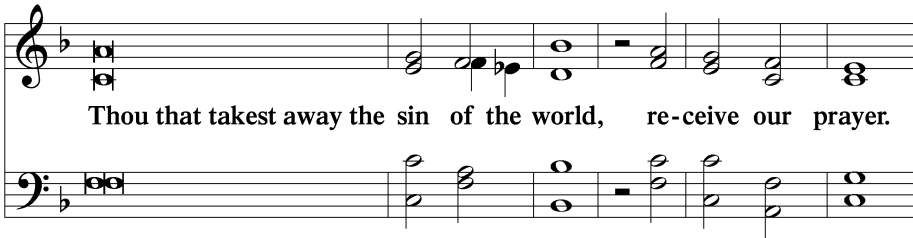
O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.

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

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



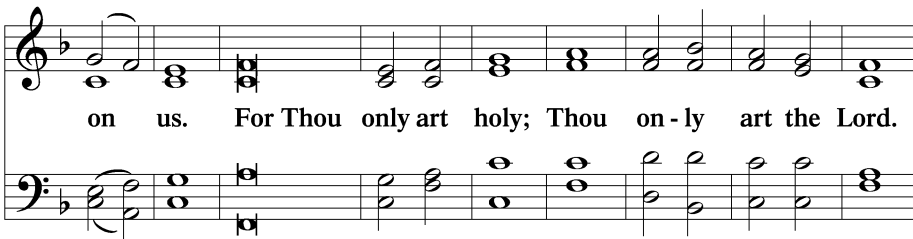
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



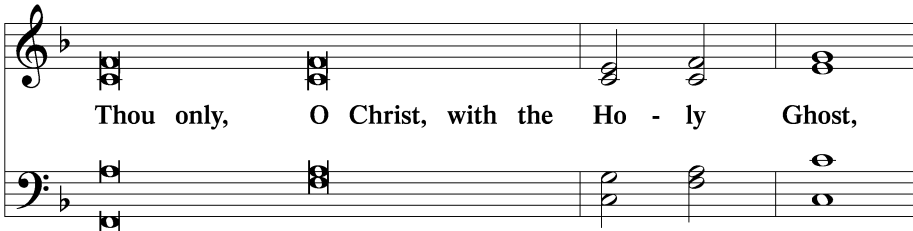
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



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,



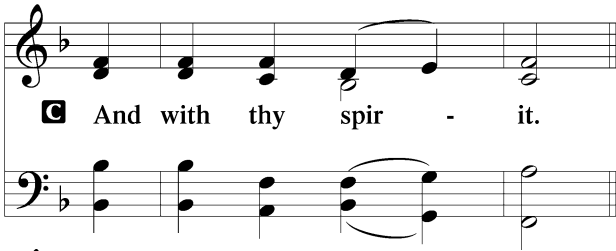
art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

# Salutation and Collect of the Day

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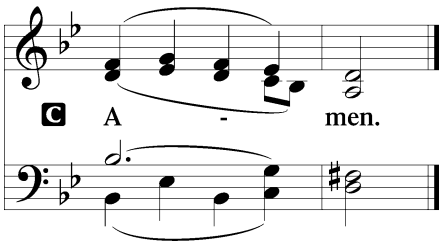


**P** The Lord be with you.



**P** Let us pray.

**P** O Lord, grant us wisdom to recognize the treasures You have stored up for us in heaven, that we may never despair but always rejoice and be thankful for the riches of Your grace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## Old Testament Reading *Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12–14; 2:18–26 (p. 553, p. 703 LP)*

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Romans 10:15b, 18b; Isaiah 52:7b, alt.*

How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news,  
who publish peace and bring good news of salvation.  
Their voice has gone out to all the earth,  
and their words to the ends of the world.

## Epistle

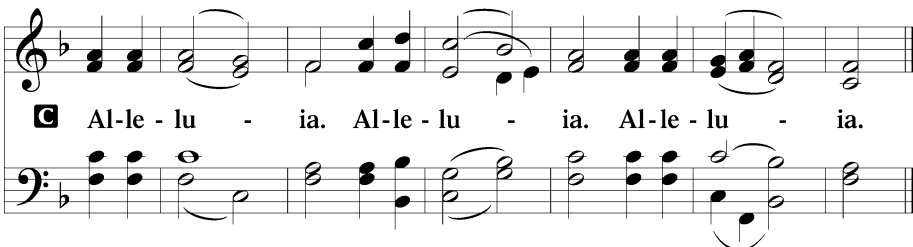
*Colossians 3:1–11 (p. 984, p. 1253 LP)*

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Alleluia

*LSB 190*



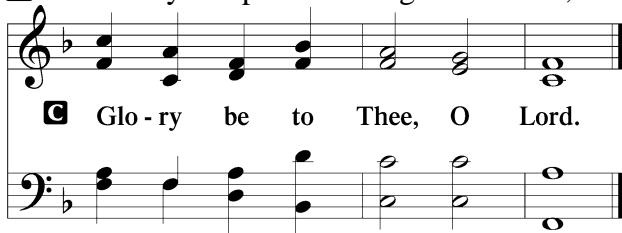
**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

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## Holy Gospel

*Luke 12:13–21 (p. 871, p. 1108 LP)*

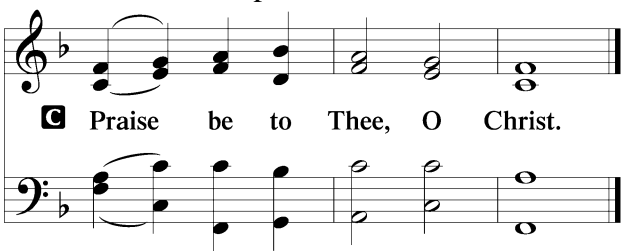
**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.



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

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



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

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## Nicene Creed

*LSB 191*

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

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the

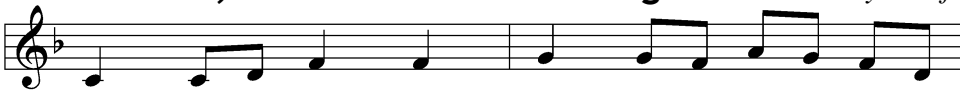


Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

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

## 782 Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings

*Hymn of the Day*



1 Gra - cious God, You send great bless - ings  
 2 By Your Word You formed cre - a - tion  
 3 In His earth - ly life, our Sav - ior  
 4 Heav'n - ly Fa - ther, may our car - ing



New each morn - ing all our days. For Your mer - cies  
 Filled with crea - tures large and small; As we tend that  
 Knew the care of faith - ful friends; May our deeds of  
 Bear the im - print of Your grace; With the Son and



nev - er end - ing, For Your love we of - fer praise.  
 end - less trea - sure May our care en - cir - cle all.  
 ded - i - ca - tion Of - fer love that nev - er ends.  
 Ho - ly Spir - it, Praise be Yours in ev - 'ry place!

*Refrain*



Lord, we pray that we, Your peo - ple Who Your gifts un - num - bered claim,



Through the shar - ing of Your bless - ings May bring glo - ry to Your name.

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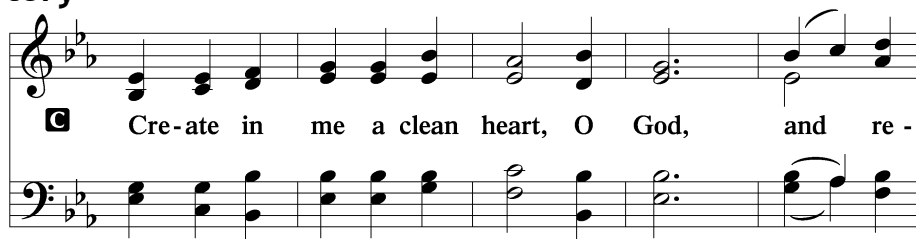
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# Sermon

*The Riches of Christ*

## Offertory

LSB 192



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.

# Prayer of the Church

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

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.



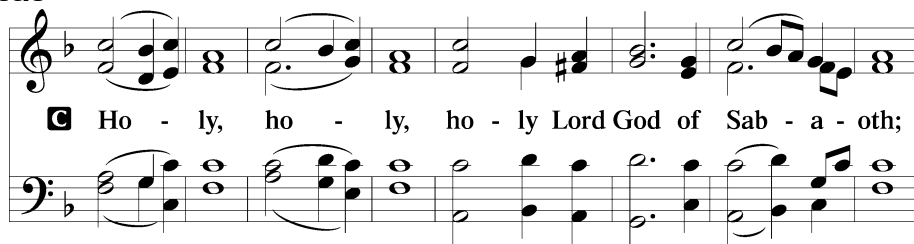
### Proper Preface

**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

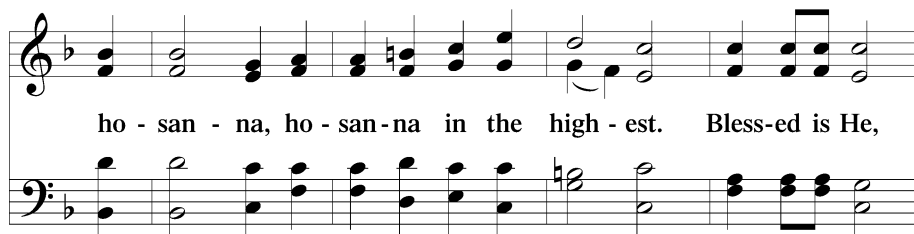
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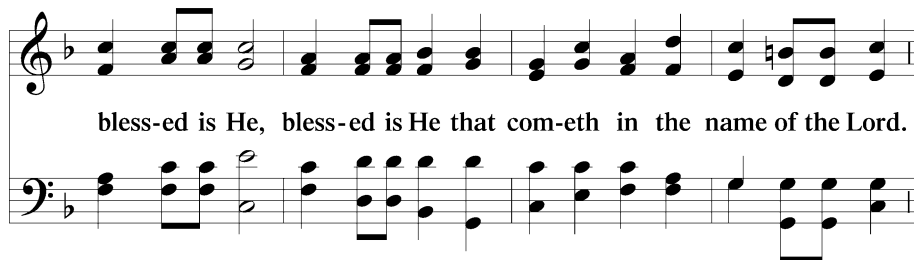
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



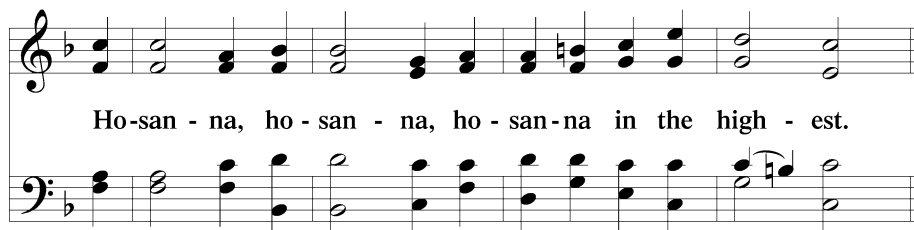
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



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

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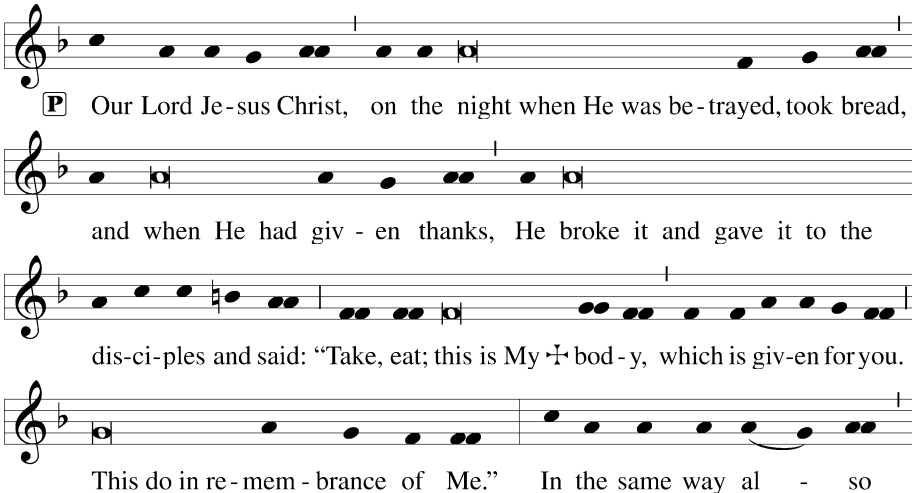
**C** Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.



**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

LSB 197



**P** Our Lord Je-sus Christ, on the night when He was be-trayed, took bread,  
and when He had giv-en thanks, He broke it and gave it to the  
dis-ci-ples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{†}$  bod-y, which is giv-en for you.  
This do in re-mem-brance of Me." In the same way al - so

He took the cup after sup - per, and when He had giv - en thanks, He gave it  
to them, say - ing: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in  
My blood, which is shed for you for the for-give-ness of sins.  
This do, as often as you drink it, in re-mem-brance of Me."

## Pax Domini

*LSB 197*

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

## Agnus Dei

*LSB 198*

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

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

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

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

world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

## Distribution & Hymns

## 724 If God Himself Be for Me



1 If God Him - self be for me, I may a host de - fy;  
2 I build on this foun - da - tion, That Je - sus and His blood  
3 Christ Je - sus is my splen - dor, My sun, my light, a - lone;  
4 He can - celed my of - fens - es, De - liv - ered me from death;



For when I pray, be - fore me My foes, con - found - ed, fly.  
A - lone are my sal - va - tion, My true, e - ter - nal good.  
Were He not my de - fend - er Be - fore God's judg - ment throne,  
He is the Lord who cleans - es My soul from sin through faith.



If Christ, my head and mas - ter, Be - friend me from a - bove,  
With - out Him all that pleas - es Is val - ue - less on earth;  
I nev - er should find fa - vor And mer - cy in His sight,  
In Him I can be cheer - ful, Cou - ra - geous on my way;



What foe or what dis - as - ter Can drive me from His love?  
The gifts I have from Je - sus A - lone have price - less worth.  
But be de - stroyed for - ev - er As dark - ness by the light.  
In Him I am not fear - ful Of God's great Judg - ment Day.

5 For no one can condemn me  
Or set my hope aside;  
Now hell no more can claim me:  
Its fury I deride.  
No sentence now reproves me,  
No guilt destroys my peace;  
For Christ, my Savior, loves me  
And shields me with His grace.

6 Who clings with resolution  
To Him whom Satan hates  
Must look for persecution;  
For him the burden waits  
Of mock'ry, shame, and losses  
Heaped on his blameless head;  
A thousand plagues and crosses  
Will be his daily bread.



7 From me this is not hidden,  
 Yet I am not afraid;  
 I leave my cares, as bidden,  
 To whom my vows were paid.  
 Though life from me be taken  
 And ev'rything I own,  
 I trust in You unshaken  
 And cleave to You alone.

9 No angel and no gladness,  
 No throne, no pomp, no show,  
 No love, no hate, no sadness,  
 No pain, no depth of woe,  
 No scheming, no contrivance,  
 No subtle thing or great  
 Shall draw me from Your guidance  
 Nor from You separate.

8 No danger, thirst, or hunger,  
 No pain or poverty,  
 No earthly tyrant's anger  
 Shall ever vanquish me.  
 Though earth should break asunder,  
 My fortress You shall be;  
 No fire or sword or thunder  
 Shall sever You from me.

10 My heart with joy is springing;  
 I am no longer sad.  
 My soul is filled with singing;  
 Your sunshine makes me glad.  
 The sun that cheers my spirit  
 Is Jesus Christ, my King;  
 The heav'n I shall inherit  
 Makes me rejoice and sing.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607-76; (sts. 1, 3-5, 10): tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1907, Pittsburgh, alt.; (sts. 2, 6-9):  
 tr. Richard Massie, 1800-87, alt.

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## 789 Praise and Thanksgiving



1 Praise and thanks - giv - ing, Fa - ther, we of - fer For all things  
 2 Bless, Lord, the la - bor We bring to serve You That with our  
 3 Fa - ther, pro - vid - ing Food for Your chil - dren, By Your wise



liv - ing, Cre - at - ed good: Har - vest of sown fields, Fruits of the  
 neigh - bor We may be fed. Sow - ing or till - ing, We would work  
 guid - ing Teach us to share One with an - oth - er, So that, re -



or - chard, Hay from the mown fields, Blossom and wood.  
 with You, Har - vest - ing, mill - ing For dai - ly bread.  
 joic - ing With us, all oth - ers May know Your care.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901-84

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## 649 Blest Be the Tie That Binds



1 Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Chris - tian love;  
2 Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne We pour our ar - dent prayers;  
3 We share our mu - tual woes, Our mu - tual bur - dens bear,  
4 When here our path - ways part, We suf - fer bit - ter pain;  
5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, And sin we shall be free



The fel - low - ship of kin - dred minds Is like to that a - bove.  
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our com - forts and our cares.  
And of - ten for each oth - er flows The sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.  
Yet, one in Christ and one in heart, We hope to meet a - gain.  
And per - fect love and friend - ship reign Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

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## 642 O Living Bread from Heaven



1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, How well You  
2 My Lord, You here have led me To this most  
3 You gave me all I want - ed; This food can  
4 Lord, grant me then, thus strength - ened With heav'n - ly



feed Your guest! The gifts that You have giv - en  
ho - ly place And with Your - self have fed me  
death de - stroy. And You have free - ly grant - ed  
food, while here My course on earth is length - ened,



Have filled my heart with rest. Oh, won - drous food of  
The trea - sures of Your grace; For You have free - ly  
The cup of end - less joy. My Lord, I do not  
To serve with ho - ly fear. And when You call my



bless - ing, Oh, cup that heals our woes! My heart, this  
 giv - en What earth could nev - er buy, The bread of  
 mer - it The fa - vor You have shown, And all my  
 spir - it To leave this world be - low, I en - ter,



gift pos - sess - ing, With prais - es o - ver - flows.  
 life from heav - en, That now I shall not die.  
 soul and spir - it Bow down be - fore Your throne.  
 through Your mer - it, Where joys un - min - gled flow.

Text: Johann Rist, 1607-67; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78, alt.  
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## Nunc Dimittis

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

LSB 200

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

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

## Post-Communion Collect

LSB 201

**A** Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; 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

LSB 201

**P** The Lord be with you.

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

## Benedicamus

LSB 202

**A** Bless we the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

# Benediction

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.

# 861 Christ Be My Leader

Closing Hymn

1 Christ be my Lead - er by night as by day; Safe through the  
2 Christ be my Teach - er in age as in youth, Drift - ing or  
3 Christ be my Sav - ior in calm as in strife; Death can - not  
dark - ness, for He is the way. Glad - ly I fol - low, my  
doubt - ing, for He is the truth. Grant me to trust Him; though  
hold me, for He is the life. Nor dark - ness nor doubt - ing nor  
fu - ture His care, Dark - ness is day - light when Je - sus is there.  
shift - ing as sand, Doubt can - not daunt me; in Je - sus I stand.  
sin and its stain Can touch my sal - va - tion: with Je - sus I reign.

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## Announcements for the Week of July 31, 2022

Sunday	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
7/31 9:00 AM – Divine Service 10:15 AM – Pastor’s Bible Study	8/1	8/2	8/3	8/4 10:00 AM – Elders meeting	8/5 6:00 PM – Game Night	8/6 8:00 AM – Work Day

### Birthdays & Anniversaries:

8/1: Mike Vandercar

8/2: Jeanne Loesch, Max Thomas

### Stewardship:

**Budget per week:** \$3157

**7/24 offerings:** \$3559.91

**7/24 Synodical Fund:** \$60

**Mortgage balance:** \$20,411.57

**7/24 Building Fund:** \$165

*The altar  
flowers were  
given by Curt  
and Jenni  
Acton*

**August Newsletters:** Available in the narthex. If you would like to be added to the email list, please let Pastor know.

**Work Day:** We will be having a work day this coming Saturday (Aug. 6) beginning at 8 AM. We will be working on the outside landscape, cleaning windows, and other projects around the property. Bring any tools you have or just come and lend a helping hand!

**Game Night:** This Friday at 6 PM. Our dinner theme will be a taco bar. There’s a sign-up sheet on the conference room door if you would like to help provide fixings for tacos. Bring some games to play, a dish to share, and invite a friend to come too! All ages are welcomed and encouraged to come.

**Youth Catechesis:** Youth Catechesis (confirmation) classes will be beginning on August 21. If you have a child who has already begun Catechesis, or if you have a child you would like to start this year, please contact Pastor Sorenson as soon as possible. If your child will be going through classes at White Creek, please contact Pastor Sorenson as well, as he would like to have all of our catechumens together in class so they may grow with one another and so he may get to know them and they may get to know him. Thank you!

### Prayer List:

**Teresa Lucas** (shut-in)

**Ron Cox** (health issues)

**Luella Holle** (shut-in)

**Bekah Brown**

**Matt** (Judy Strasser’s nephew, cancer)

**Barry** (Margie Trimpe’s brother, cancer)

**Skip** (Cindy May’s father)

### Upcoming Acolytes:

**8/7:** Anslee Hawkins

**8/28:** Rayleigh Acton

**8/14:** Max Hoene

**9/4:** Anslee Hawkins

**8/21:** Trevor Acree

**9/11:** Max Hoene

Below you will find a model you can use for your personal or family devotions that focuses you on the readings from the previous Sunday, while also preparing you for what you will hear the following Sunday. In modeling your devotions this way, you and your family can stay united to the church year and reinforce what you hear, sing, and pray every Sunday.

- Mon. 8/1:        Read the Old Testament lesson: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-26 – Apart from God, all things in this world are vanity. With God, we find joy, even in our toils.  
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 782 – Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings  
Pray the Collect of the Day: O Lord, grant us wisdom to recognize the treasures You have stored up for us in heaven, that we may never despair but always rejoice and be thankful for the riches of Your grace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
- Tues. 8/2:       Read the Epistle lesson: Colossians 3:1-11 – We have died to sin and been made alive in Christ. When He appears, we also will appear with Him in glory.  
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 782 – Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings  
Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 8/2)
- Wed. 8/3:       Read the Gospel lesson: Luke 12:13-21 – Do not covet, because our life is more than possessions. Instead, our riches are in Christ Jesus, our Lord.  
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 782 – Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings  
Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 8/2)
- Thur. 8/4:       Read the Old Testament lesson: Genesis 15:1-6 – By faith, Abram believed God’s promises that his offspring would be like the stars in the heavens.  
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 666 – O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe  
Pray the Collect of the Day: Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
- Fri. 8/5:        Read the Epistle lesson: Hebrews 11:1-16 – By faith, we desire a better country, the new heavens and new earth of God, which we hope for even now.  
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 666 – O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe  
Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 8/4)
- Sat. 8/6:        Read the Gospel lesson: Luke 12:22-34 (35-40) – Fear not and do not be anxious! For it is God’s good pleasure to give us all His gifts.  
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 666 – O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe  
Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 8/4)