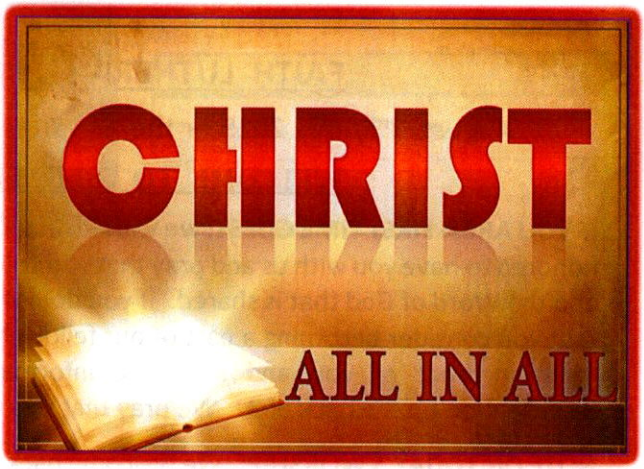

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Our Mission Statement
Loving Jesus and
Making His love known.

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP
Our Summer Service Schedule:

SATURDAYS:
Worship at 5 pm
Holy Communion on
2nd and 4th Saturdays

SUNDAYS:
Worship at 10 am
Holy Communion on
1st & 3rd Sundays
Sunday School/Bible Study: 9 am

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS:
Please sign our guest book in Narthex I and fill out a fellowship card to place in the offering plate.

August 3-4, 2019
8th Sunday after Pentecost

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

August 3rd / 4th, 2019 – the 8th Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE

IF YOU ARE A FIRST TIME GUEST, we want to extend a special welcome. We are honored to have you with us and pray that you will be blessed by our fellowship and the Word of God that is shared. If you do not have a church home, we ask that you consider becoming a part of our fellowship. Please fill out one of the cards in front of you and note the information regarding communion participation on the back of it. We pray that you will join us again soon.

NOTE ON TODAY'S WORSHIP: We welcome back into our midst the Rev. Roger Keller, and his wife Nina, who have been away for a few months. Pastor Keller will be leading worship this morning in the absence of Pastor Wenndt. Pastor is in Kansas City, KS this weekend, attending the final portion of the spiritual retreat DOXOLOGY. He will return at the end of the week after attending also attending his parents' 60th wedding anniversary celebration in Wisconsin. We thank Pastor Keller for leading today's worship.

TO PONDER, AS WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP: "What's the point?" we ask. Whether at the beginning or at the end of a busy day, a gut–wrenching week, or a difficult season in life, it's easy to question the purpose of it all. Today's worship is geared toward those who ask the question "What's the point?" God's Word shows us the point and the purpose of our life in Christ, filling us with wisdom from above. The wise person learns this truth: God is working! God is working even as we rest in His presence. Right here, right now, in this service set before you, Jesus is laboring for our benefit and blessing! Working through Word and Sacrament, Jesus is here to forgive your sins, to refresh your soul, and to fill you with joy in His presence!

ANNOUNCEMENTS and GREETING OF THE PEACE

OPENING HYMN – SING: **+"I Love Your Kingdom, Lord"** ***LSB # 651***
+"All People That on Earth Do Dwell" ***LSB # 791***
+"I Am Jesus' Little Lamb" ***LSB # 740***

ORDER OF SERVICE: based on ***Divine Service, Setting 3***, pg. 183, *ff.*
'LUTHERAN SERVICE BOOK'

INVOCATION AND CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

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

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. ... ... 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: [Pastor declares Holy Absolution, concluding with:] "... in the Name of the Father, and of the [+] Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

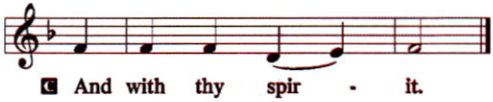
C: AMEN.

NOTE: ***The Gloria Patri, Kyrie, and Gloria in Excelsis are not sung during the Summer services.***

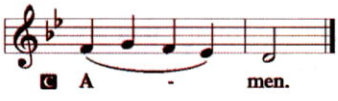
SERVICE OF THE WORD

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you!



P: Let us pray: 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.



(please be seated)

THE READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE ARE APPOINTED FOR THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

R: The Old Testament lesson comes from the book of Ecclesiastes, the first and second chapters. We hear that those who are wise find God–given joy in their labors. Reading beginning from the first chapter, verse two.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: *Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12–14, 2:18–26,* E.S.V.– pgs. 702–4

[Solomon writes:] 1:2Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity. … …

12I the Preacher have been king over Israel in Jerusalem. 13And I applied my heart to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven. It is an unhappy business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. 14I have seen everything that is done under the sun, and behold, all is vanity and a striving after wind.

2:18I hated all my toil in which I toil under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to the man who will come after me, 19and who knows whether he will be wise or a fool? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. 20So I turned about and gave my heart up to despair over all the toil of my labors under the sun, 21because sometimes a person who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave everything to be enjoyed by someone who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. 22What has a man from all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the sun? 23For all his days are full of sorrow, and his work is a vexation. Even in the night his heart does not rest. This also is vanity.

24There is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. This also, I saw, is from the hand of God, 25for apart from Him who can eat or who can have enjoyment? 26For to the one who pleases Him God has given wisdom and knowledge and joy, but to the sinner He has given the business of gathering and collecting, only to give to one who pleases God. This also is vanity and a striving after wind.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: THANKS BE TO GOD.

R: The epistle lesson is from St. Paul's letter to the Colossians, the third chapter. As we are raised with Christ, life in Christ changes our priorities. Reading from verse one.

EPISTLE LESSON: *Colossians 3 : 1 – 11,* E.S.V. – page 1,253

(St. Paul writes:) 1If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. 3For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.

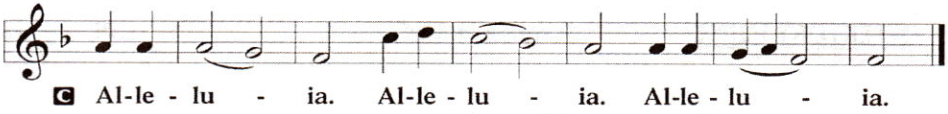
5Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. 6On account of these the wrath of God is coming. 7In these you too once walked, when you were

living in them. [8]But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. [9]Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices [10]and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. [11]Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

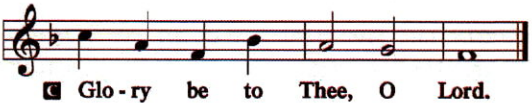
R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: THANKS BE TO GOD.

R: Please STAND as a sign of resurrection hope.



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



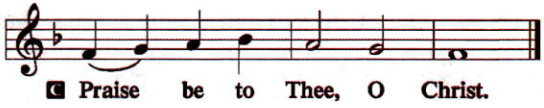
HOLY GOSPEL: *Luke 12 : 13 – 21,* E.S.V. – page 1,108

[Because of the Devastating Power of Greed, Jesus Warns Us to Be On Guard Against Covetousness]

[13]Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus], "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." [14]But He said to him, "Man, who made Me a judge or arbitrator over you?" [15]And He said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions."

[16]And He told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man produced plentifully, [17]and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' [18]And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. [19]And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' [20]But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' [21]So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



P: We join Christians throughout the world in confessing our Christian faith, this morning to the words of the Apostles' Creed:

MESSAGE: **"Look Up to God"** based on Colossians 3 : 1-11.
Preached by Rev. Roger Keller

RECEIVE OUR FIRST – FRUITS AND OFFERINGS: We express our awareness that all we have comes from God by returning to Him a portion of our treasure for the work of His Church to reach others with the Good News of His Love. Please record your presence with us this morning by filling out the "FAITH FELLOWSHIP" cards in the racks in front of you. You may place them into the collection plate, or an usher will be by to collect them from you.

OFFERTORY VERSE: ***"Create in Me"*** ***LSB, pg. 192***
(please STAND as you are able)

RESPONSIVE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

(at conclusion of each petition offered by the Pastor:)

P: ... Let us pray to the Lord.

C: GRANT US WISDOM, GRANT US PURPOSE. FILL US WITH YOUR JOY.

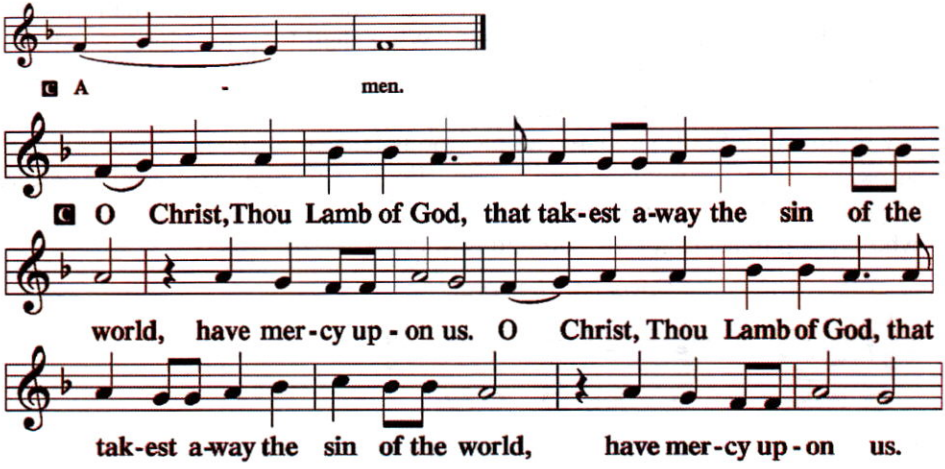
LORD'S PRAYER: *in unison – found on the inside back cover of the hymnal*

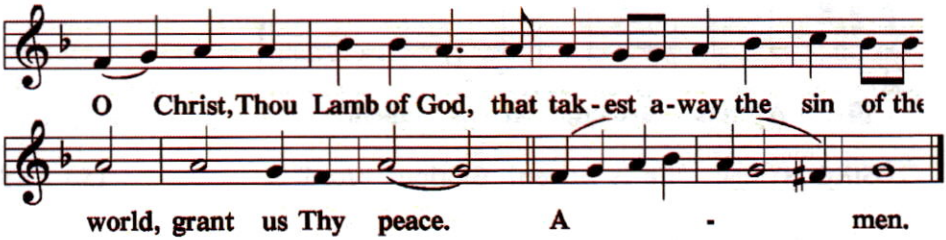
[10 AM only] **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD: *(consecration of the elements for the Lord's Supper, spoken by the Pastor)* *LSB, pg. 197*

PAX DOMINI and AGNUS DEI: *LSB, pg. 197 – 8*

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always!





DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

AS WE PREPARE TO COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE: We now take a few moments of meditation prior to the Sacrament, which will include some soft music being played. During this time, you will have the opportunity to review our policy for taking the Sacrament, which includes some contemplative questions and reminders being shown on our viewing screens. May we then prayerfully, worthily and joyfully join Him at table who comes to us in His true Body and Blood.

HYMNS TO BE SUNG DURING HOLY COMMUNION:

"Christ the Eternal Lord" ***LSB # 829***

"Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared" ***LSB # 622***

[5 PM service resumes here]

UNISON PRAYER, CLOSING AND BENEDICTION:

P: Let us close in prayer, together:

ALL: LORD OF LIFE, YOU HAVE RAISED US WITH CHRIST TO BE YOUR PEOPLE. BY THE POWER OF YOUR HOLY SPIRIT, FILL OUR HEARTS AND MINDS WITH THANKSGIVING TO YOU THAT OVERFLOWS IN GENEROSITY TOWARD YOU AND OUR NEIGHBORS; THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, OUR LORD. AMEN.

P: The Lord be with you!

P: Bless we the Lord!

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and [+] give you peace.

CLOSING HYMN: **"He Is Arisen! Glorious Word"** ***LSB # 488***

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

C: THANKS BE TO GOD!

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BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

(**4**) Laura Schmidt (**6**) Linda Miller

Food Pantry Item for the month of August	***Canned Vegetables***

A **Measure of Our Devotion**

July 27-28, 2019	
Worship Attendance 2019	18/64
Worship Attendance 2018	27/55
Sunday School/Confirmation/Youth/ Adult Bible Classes	6/2/6/19
Receipts for July 27-28, 2019	$2,805.00

Those Serving Today:
Presiding Minister: Rev. Roger Keller
Saturday, 5 pm: Elder: Jack Greenlee

	10 am service
Assisting Elder	Mike Muetzel, Larry Roach
Duty Elder	Larry Roach, Steve Schoeneck
Acolyte	Aiden Thompson
Altar Care	Jeanette Brown, Loretta McLaughlin
Lay Reader	Rose Ann Verheyen
Audio Asst.	
Video Asst.	
Ushers	Mary Cazel, Rich & Sandi Leenhouts, Marian Malmgren
Altar Flowers	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHOES 4 SOULS & SUPPLIES, TOO! Thanks to everyone who has already donated shoes and school supplies. This year we're collecting shoes & school supplies to help our local elementary school children. Start watching for those Deals!! School starts August 12th!!

THIS IS THE LIFE: CLASSICS, THIS WEEK: "**Destination Unknown**" Paul Werner (Leonard Nimoy) is a nuclear scientist on a mission. Rejecting American society, he's considering political asylum in the Soviet Union. On board a TWA SuperJet to Frankfurt, Werner engages in conversations with a stewardess and a pastor who raise questions and challenge his assumptions about God, man, and the world at large.

SUNDAY, August 11th: In "**Cell of Hope**" Flagg Washington (Lawrence Hilton-Jacobs) gets himself a new cellmate in the "big house." When Jimmy Stricklin (Richard Dimitri) proves himself an obnoxious wannabe, Washington – who has become a Christian in prison – has words, and then blows, with the unruly ruffian.

SCRIP CARDS: Individuals can purchase gift cards from a selection of over 300 vendors. A percentage of the purchase comes back to the church. The forms are available in narthex 2. The 1st and 3rd Sunday (and Saturday) you can place an order that will be delivered on the 2nd and 4th Sundays (and Saturday). If there is a 5th Sunday, no orders or deliveries are made that weekend.

GRIEF GROUP AT FAITH: It's not just for those who suffer loss. It's for everyone. There's a timeline of grief and you can learn about it at our monthly meetings the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 1:00 pm. Please contact Connie Pantano Roach at 727-359-9997 or 727-433-1151 for more information and/or if you plan to attend the next meeting.

ALTAR FLOWERS: Would you like to place flowers on our altar? Please follow these directions: **(1)** Write your name and reason for ordering (birthday, anniversary, in memory of, etc.) on the flower chart (Narthex 1 outside the Food Pantry). **(2)** Flowers are $30 for both bouquets. If you only want one bouquet, the cost is $15 but please find another person to place the other bouquet. Put your payment in any envelope and place it in the offering. Write your name, date for flowers and the reason for placing them on the envelope. Thank you for beautifying our altar.

PRAYER LIST: August 3-4, 2019

Compassion:

Health/Unspoken: Darlene & Lee Alexander, Donna Armstrong, Jim B., Bernice Bauman, Robert Baumgartner, Linda Bearden, Sydney Birmingham, Laura Bley, Barb & Mike Brandt, Jody Brothers, Bob & Jeanette Brown, Lorraine Christopher, Amanda Costello, Larry & Margaret DeBlasi, Sharon Fardis, Tony Ferro, Esther Fournier, Tom & Susan Gaunt, Al Grosskurth, Debbie Hahn, Suzanne Herr, Jim, Nancy Killebrew, Sue Leader, Dan McKinney, Jack & JoAnna McKinney, McLaughlin & Kiltan families, Peter & Barry Mohler Family, Kyle Mowrey, Sarah Nielsen, Dave Noll, Pat Noll, Dory Nussbacher, Patty, Connie Roach, Freda Russell, Bea Schurkus, AJ Smith, Tom Springer, Pat Steinbach, Karl O. Steinbach, Carol & Larry Tomezewski, Harry Van Ess, Michael Van Ess, Weltzel, Pastor & Kathy Wenndt and Family, Sally Woodtke, Arleen Yamada, Family of Al Young, Pearl Young & Family, Joan Zimdahl, Harold Zoller, Fran, Freda, Russell, Todd,

Homebound: Linda Atkinson, Bill Boase, Helen Friedrichs, Meta Gerken, Audrey Gould, Maria Hulyk, Alden & Beth Kunnemann, Dave Noll, Pat Noll, Lucille Noveck, Dory Nussbacher, Jake & Mary Lou Simon, Laura Schmidt, Bob & Barbara Stuck, Helena Traenkner, Hank Whitt

Military: Leo Ayala, Josh Butterworth, Justin Fivecoat, Steven Hartwell, Tom Hartzell, Brandon Martin, Luke McKinney, Nicholas Morley, Richard Phernetton, Rafael Salazar, Vincent Sharkey, Andrew Springer, Andrew St. John, Todd Stanger, Tyler Wasson

This Week's Opportunities to Seek, to Strengthen, and to Serve

Saturday, Aug 3	5:00 pm	Worship Service
Sunday, Aug 4	9:00 am	Education Hour-SS/"This is the Life"
	10:00 am	Worship Service W/Holy Communion
Monday, Aug 5	9-11:30 am	Food Pantry
Tuesday, Aug 6	1:00 pm	"Serenaders" in GSH
	7:00 pm	CODA meeting in GSH
Wed, Aug 7	9-11:30 am	Food Pantry
	12:00 pm	AA in GSH
	7:00 pm	CODA meeting in GSH
Thursday, Aug 8	6:30 pm	NA/AA in GSH
Friday, Aug 9	9-11:30 am	Food Pantry
	12:00 pm	AA in GSH
Saturday, Aug 10	5:00 pm	Worship Service w/Holy Communion
	9 am-2pm	**MOCA School Supplies event in Sims Park**
Sunday, Aug 11	9:00 am	Education Hour-SS/"This is the Life"
	10:00 am	Worship Service

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August 10th/11th, 2019 – (wknd. of) the 9th Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

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If you are a member or frequent guest, we appreciate your faithful encouragement in our worship and walk in the Lord. If there is someone sitting around you that you do not know, please be sure to introduce yourself, as they may be a member that you have not previously met or a guest who may one day become our member and your good friend.

TO PONDER, AS WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP: How easy it is to become anxious when things go differently than we had hoped. We worry about ourselves and our loved ones. We experience everyday anxieties and big cosmic ones too. Sometimes anxiety can become so serious that professional help is needed. Paul writes in Philippians 4:6, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." Easier said than done, Paul! Jesus invites us to let anxiety be. Concerning the things most of us worry about—like food, clothing, provisions—Jesus observes that just as the birds, the lilies, and the grass are well-provided for, we will be taken care of as well. The adventure of life is one of faith: entrusting ourselves to the care of God, seeking first God's reign, and experiencing the rich provision enjoyed by all of creation as a gift. May that message guide us in and from worship today.

ANNOUNCEMENTS and GREETING OF THE PEACE

OPENING HYMN – SING *(baptismal focus today)*:

"This Is the Spirit's Entry Now"	***LSB # 591***
"All Who Believe and Are Baptized"	***LSB # 601***
"See This Wonder In the Making" [him]	***LSB # 593***

ORDER OF SERVICE: *Traditional Evening / Morning Prayer*

INVOCATION and OPENING SENTENCES: *please STAND as you are able*

[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: The LORD looks down from Heaven;

C: HE SEES ALL THE CHILDREN OF MAN;

P: Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear Him,

C: ON THOSE WHO HOPE IN HIS STEADFAST LOVE,

P: Our soul waits for the LORD;

C: HE IS OUR HELP AND OUR SHIELD.

P: For our heart is glad in Him,

C: BECAUSE WE TRUST IN HIS HOLY NAME.

P: Let Your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us,

C: EVEN AS WE HOPE IN YOU. *[Psalm 33 : 13, 18, 20 – 22, E.S.V.]*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

P: Now I ask you before God, who searches the heart: Do you sincerely confess that you have sinned against God by what you have done and by what you have left undone, and deserve His wrath and punishment? If so, then declare by saying: "I DO CONFESS."

C: I DO CONFESS.

P: Indeed, we should confess for Holy Scripture declares: "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us." [I John 1 : 8, E.S.V.] Do you heartily repent of all your sins committed in thought, word and deed? If so, then declare by saying: "I DO REPENT."

C: I DO REPENT.

P: Indeed, we should repent as did the penitent sinners: King David, who prayed for a contrite heart; Peter, who wept bitterly; the sinful woman at the feet of Jesus; the prodigal son and others. Do you sincerely believe that God, by grace, for Jesus' sake, will forgive you all your sins? If so, then declare by saying: "I DO BELIEVE."

C: I DO BELIEVE.

P: Indeed, we should believe for Holy Scripture declares: "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life." [John 3 : 16, E.S.V.] Do you promise that, with the aid of the Holy Spirit, you will, from this time forward, take up the battle against sin in your life and live that forgiven life in the light of Christ? If so, then declare by saying: "I DO PROMISE."

C: I DO PROMISE.

P: As you confess, repent, believe and promise, so let it be unto you. It is my privilege and joy to announce to you that Jesus has taken away your burdens by His death and resurrection. According to His own command, I, called as pastor and servant of the Word, declare that your sins are forgiven in the Name of the Father and of the [+] Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: AMEN.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

P: Let us pray together:

ALL: LOVING GOD, BY YOUR WORD YOU CALL FORTH EVERYTHING OUT OF NOTHING. GRANT THAT WE WHO HAVE BEEN CALLED TO NEW LIFE IN CHRIST JESUS CONTINUE TO HEAR AND FOLLOW WHERE HE LEADS; THROUGH THE SAME JESUS CHRIST, YOUR SON, OUR LORD, WHO LIVES AND REIGNS IN COMMUNION AND LOVE WITH YOU AND THE HOLY SPIRIT, ONE GOD, NOW AND FOREVER. AMEN. *[please be seated]*

READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE ARE APPOINTED FOR THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: *Genesis 15 : 1 – 6, E.S.V. – pg. 13*

[God Reiterates His Promise to Abram]

[Moses writes:] [1]After these things the Word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." [2]But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" [3]And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir." [4]And behold, the Word of the LORD came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir." [5]And He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then He said to him, "So shall your offspring be." [6]And he believed the LORD, and He counted it to him as righteousness.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: THANKS BE TO GOD.

EPISTLE LESSON: *Hebrews 11 : 1 – 16 – E.S.V., pg. 1,283 – 4*

[The People of God Living By Faith.]

[1]Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. [2]For by it the people of old received their commendation. [3]By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

[4]By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. [5]By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. [6]And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for whoever would draw near

to God must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who seek Him. [7]By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

[8]By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. [9]By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. [10]For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. [11]By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered Him faithful who had promised. [12]Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

[13]These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. [14]For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. [15]If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. [16]But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared for them a city.

R: Long ago, at many times and in various ways, God spoke to the forefathers by the prophets.

C: BUT NOW, IN THESE LAST DAYS, HE HAS SPOKEN TO US BY HIS SON.

Please STAND as a sign of resurrection hope

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

C: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

HOLY GOSPEL: *Luke 12 : 22 – 34, E.S.V. – pg. 1,108*

(Do Not Be Anxious.)

[22][Jesus] said to His disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. [23]For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. [24]Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! [25]And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? [26]If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? [27]Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. [28]But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! [29]And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. [30]For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. [31]Instead, seek His kingdom, and these things will be added to you.

32"Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. 33Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. 34For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST!

SERMON: *"The Ultimate Showcase Showdown"* based on Luke 12:30–32.

[10 AM only] **THE BAPTISM OF AIDEN OZZY BUSEMAN**

BAPTISMAL CONFESSION OF OUR CHRISTIAN FAITH: ***Apostles' Creed***

P: Do you this day acknowledge the gifts that God gives in Holy Baptism?

C: YES, I DO ACKNOWLEDGE THEM.

P: Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?

C: YES, I DO RENOUNCE THEM.

P: Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

C: YES, I BELIEVE IN GOD, THE FATHER ALMIGHTY, MAKER OF HEAVEN AND EARTH.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord?

C: YES, I BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST, HIS ONLY SON, OUR LORD, WHO WAS CONCEIVED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, BORN OF THE VIRGIN MARY, SUFFERED UNDER PONTIUS PILATE, WAS CRUCIFIED, DIED AND WAS BURIED. HE DESCENDED INTO HELL. THE THIRD DAY HE ROSE AGAIN FROM THE DEAD. HE ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN AND SITS AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY. FROM THENCE HE WILL COME TO JUDGE THE LIVING AND THE DEAD.

P: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

C: YES, I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT, THE HOLY CHRISTIAN CHURCH, THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS, THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS, THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY, AND THE LIFE EVERLASTING. AMEN.

[10 AM only] P: In Holy Baptism God the Father has made you, Aiden Buseman, a member of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir with us of all the treasures of heaven in the one holy Christian and apostolic Church. So we receive you in Jesus' name as our brother in Christ, that together we might hear His Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

C: AMEN. WE WELCOME YOU IN THE NAME OF THE LORD.

We Receive Our First – Fruits and OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY HYMN: **"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful, Lord"** ***LSB # 955***

RESPONSIVE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

(Pastor will offer petitions on behalf of all the people of God. Each petition will end as follows:)

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: HEAR OUR PRAYER.

[sung] **LORD'S PRAYER** [from the, *'Celebration Hymnal', # 631*]

Our Father, which 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 debts,
As we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil;
For Thine is the kingdom,
And the power and the glory forever.
Amen, Amen.

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[5 PM only] **PRAYER FOR COMMUNICANTS** and **"THE WORDS OF OUR LORD"**

INVITATION, PEACE AND AGNUS DEI:

P: For as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C: CHRIST HAS DIED. CHRIST IS RISEN. CHRIST WILL COME AGAIN.

P: Lord, You sanctify and guide us in all truth to know You as our Savior, Jesus Christ, along with the Father whom You have made known, as we are knit and joined together in the Spirit. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: AND ALSO WITH YOU! *please be seated*

AS WE PREPARE TO COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE: Please take a few moments of meditation prior to the Sacrament, which will include some soft music being played. During this time, you will have the opportunity to review our policy for taking the Sacrament, which includes some contemplative questions and reminders being shown on our viewing screens. May we then prayerfully, worthily and joyfully join Him at table who comes to us in His true Body and Blood.

HYMNS TO BE SUNG DURING HOLY COMMUNION:

"Baptized Into Your Name Most Holy" ***LSB # 590***
"Dearest Jesus, We Are Here" ***LSB # 592***

"All Christians Who Have Been Baptized" ***LSB # 596***

[5 PM Service Resumes Here:] LUTHER'S EVENING / MORNING PRAYER:

P: Let us pray together:

[5 PM] **ALL: I THANK YOU, MY HEAVENLY FATHER, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, YOUR DEAR SON, THAT YOU HAVE GRACIOUSLY KEPT ME THIS DAY; AND I PRAY THAT YOU WOULD FORGIVE ME ALL MY SINS WHERE I HAVE DONE WRONG, AND GRACIOUSLY KEEP ME THIS NIGHT. FOR INTO YOUR HANDS I COMMEND MYSELF, MY BODY AND SOUL, AND ALL THINGS. LET YOUR HOLY ANGEL BE WITH ME, THAT THE EVIL FOE MAY HAVE NO POWER OVER ME. AMEN.**

[OR]

[10 AM] **ALL: I THANK YOU, MY HEAVENLY FATHER, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, YOUR DEAR SON, THAT YOU HAVE KEPT ME THIS NIGHT FROM ALL HARM AND DANGER; AND I PRAY THAT YOU WOULD KEEP ME THIS DAY ALSO FROM SIN AND EVERY EVIL, THAT ALL MY DOINGS AND LIFE MAY PLEASE YOU. FOR INTO YOUR HANDS I COMMEND MYSELF, MY BODY AND SOUL, AND ALL THINGS. LET YOUR HOLY ANGEL BE WITH ME, THAT THE EVIL FOE MAY HAVE NO POWER OVER ME. AMEN.**

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION:

P: Bless we the Lord!

C: THANKS BE TO GOD THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD!

P: *[Pastor gives the blessing, ending with:]* ... the Father, the [+] Son and the Holy Spirit, bless you.

C: AMEN.

CLOSING HYMN: **"Father Welcomes All His Children"** ***LSB # 605***

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

C: THANKS BE TO GOD!

[10 AM] We hope that you will join us for brunch at Beef O'Brady's, just across the river on Main Street

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FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

August 17th / 18th, 2019 – (weekend of) the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost – Education Promotion Sunday weekend

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

If you are a first–time guest, we want to extend to you a special welcome. We are honored to have you with us and pray that you will be blessed by our fellowship and the Word of God that is shared. If you do not have a church home, we ask that you consider becoming a part of our fellowship. Please fill out one of the "Faith Fellowship" cards in front of you, and note the information regarding communion participation on the back of it. We pray that you will join us again soon.

If you are a member or frequent guest, we appreciate your faithful encouragement in our worship and walk in the Lord. If there is someone sitting around you that you do not know, please be sure to introduce yourself, as they may be a member(full- or part-time) that you have not previously met or a guest who would like to feel welcome in our midst.

TO PONDER, AS WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP: Jesus says, "Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division" *(Luke 12:51)* But wait! What about "Peace on earth, goodwill to all"? Is not Jesus the Prince of Peace? Indeed He is, and the kind of peace Jesus brings often makes people uncomfortable. To many people, peace means the absence of conflict. Jesus' peace is different than that. Jesus' peace passes all understanding, existing even in the midst of conflict. Jesus gives us His peace, inviting us to let our hearts remain untroubled and unafraid. May we feel and share in that peace in our worship today!

[Sunday only – 9:50 AM] **PRE – SERVICE MUSIC SELECTIONS BY FAITH FACTOR:**

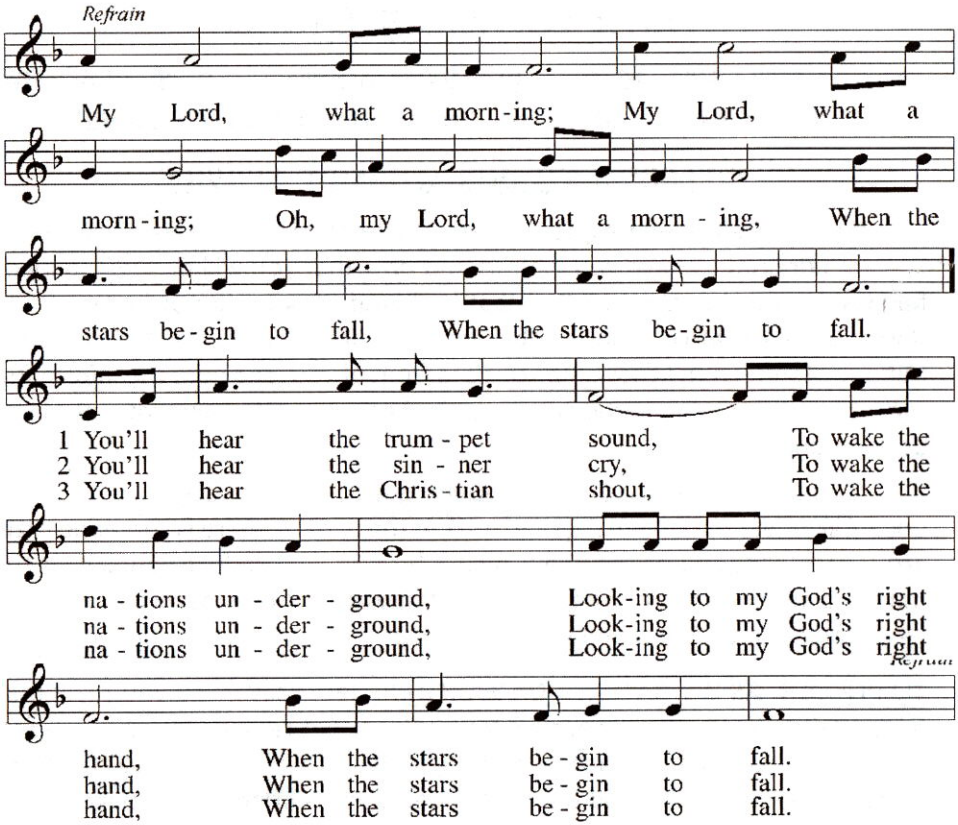
+"In Christ Alone / The Solid Rock" **+"Blessed Be Your Name"**

[Sunday only] **OPENING SONGS SUNG BY OUR CHILDREN**: ***"Jesus"***
"God Is So Good"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

[5 PM Saturday only] **OPENING PROMOTION WEEKEND HYMN – SING**:

"Spread the Reign of God the Lord" ***LSB # 830, vs. 1 – 2, 5 – 6***
"Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng" ***LSB # 813, vs. 1 – 3, 6 – 7***
"My Lord, What a Morning" ***[LSB # 968]***



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TODAY'S ORDER OF SERVICE: based on ***Divine Service, Setting 4***, from page 203 of the maroon hymnal, 'LUTHERAN SERVICE BOOK'

INVOCATION, CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS: *please STAND as you are able*

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: Our help is in the Name of the Lord,

C: WHO MADE HEAVEN AND EARTH.

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: BUT WITH YOU THERE IS FORGIVENESS; THEREFORE YOU ARE FEARED.

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C: ALMIGHTY GOD, HAVE MERCY UPON US, FORGIVE US OUR SINS, AND LEAD US TO EVERLASTING LIFE. AMEN.

[5 PM only] P: Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: AMEN.

[8 AM only] 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 declare to you that your sins are forgiven in the Name of the Father and of the [+] Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: AMEN.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

P: Let us pray together:

ALL: MERCIFUL LORD, CLEANSE AND DEFEND YOUR CHURCH BY THE SACRIFICE OF CHRIST. UNITED WITH HIM IN HOLY BAPTISM, GIVE US GRACE TO RECEIVE WITH THANKSGIVING THE FRUITS OF HIS REDEEMING WORK AND DAILY FOLLOW IN HIS WAY; THROUGH THE SAME JESUS CHRIST, YOUR SON, OUR LORD, WHO LIVES AND REIGNS WITH YOU AND THE HOLY SPIRIT, ONE GOD, NOW AND FOREVER. AMEN.

READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE ARE APPOINTED FOR THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: ***Jeremiah 23 : 16 – 29***

[Beware of untrustworthy prophets! Instead, pay attention to God's own Word.]

16 Thus says the LORD of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets
who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their
own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. 17 They say continually to those
who despise the Word of the LORD, 'It shall be well with you'; and to everyone
who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, 'No disaster shall come upon
you.'"

18 For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD
to see and to hear His Word,
or who has paid attention to His Word and listened?
19 Behold, the storm of the LORD!
Wrath has gone forth,
a whirling tempest;
it will burst upon the head of the wicked.

[20]The anger of the LORD will not turn back
until He has executed and accomplished
the intents of His heart.
In the latter days you will understand it clearly.
[21]"I did not send the prophets,
yet they ran;
I did not speak to them,
yet they prophesied.
[22]But if they had stood in My council,
then they would have proclaimed My words to My people,
and they would have turned them from their evil way,
and from the evil of their deeds.

[23]"Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God afar off? [24]Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD. [25]I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in My Name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' [26]How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, [27]who think to make my people forget My Name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot My Name for Baal? [28]Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has My Word speak My Word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD.

[29]Is not My Word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?"

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: THANKS BE TO GOD.

EPISTLE LESSON: ***Hebrews 11 : 17 – 31, 12 : 1 – 3***

[The great cloud of witnesses — saints who lived by faith in Jesus.]

[17]By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, [18]of whom it was said, "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." [19]He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back. [20]By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. [21]By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff. [22]By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones.

[23]By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict. [24]By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, [25]choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. [26]He considered the reproach

of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. [27]By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. [28]By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them.

[29]By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as if on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. [30]By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. [31]By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies.

12:1Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, [2]looking to Jesus, the Founder and Perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

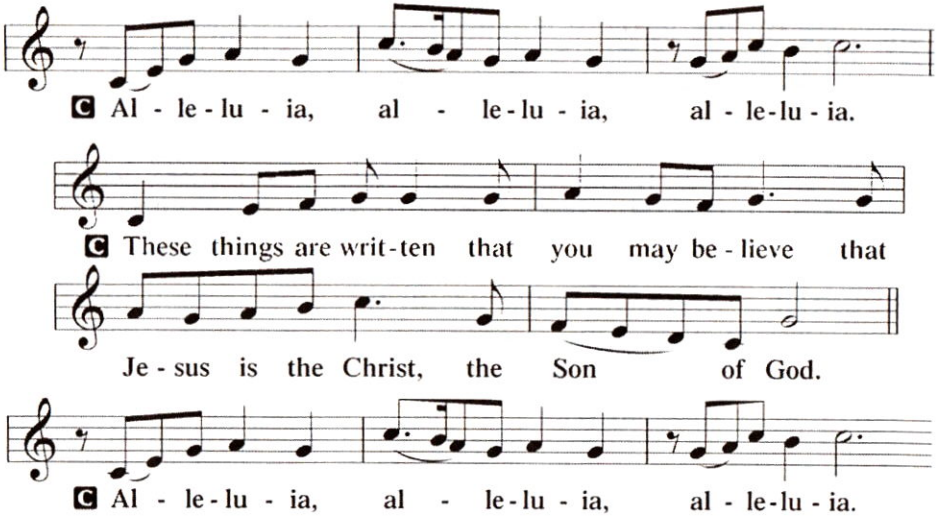
[3]Consider Him who endured from sinners such hostility against Himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: THANKS BE TO GOD.

Please STAND as a sign of resurrection hope

[5 PM only] **ALLELUIA AND VERSE:**



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

C: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

GOSPEL LESSON: ***Luke 12 : 49 – 56***

[Jesus disrupts our status quo by dividing so that He can unite and lead us in understanding signs of the times.]

[Jesus said:] [49]"I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! [50]I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is My distress until it is accomplished! [51]Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. [52]For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. [53]They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother–in–law against her daughter–in–law and daughter–in–law against mother–in–law."

[54]He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you say at once, 'A shower is coming.' And so it happens. [55]And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens. [56]You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

CONFESSION OF FAITH: *Apostles' Creed*

SERMON: "The Ever – Growing, Never – Changing List" Pastor Wenndt, based on Hebrews 12 : 1 – 3.

[Sunday only] **PROMOTION SUNDAY RITE**

GREETING OF THE PEACE

We Receive Our First – Fruits and OFFERINGS

[5 PM only] **OFFERTORY HYMN: "We Give Thee But Thine Own"**
LSB # 781, vs. 1, 2 & 6

[10 AM only] **SPECIAL PRAISE SONG DURING THE OFFERING:**
"My Deliverer"

RESPONSIVE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

(at conclusion of each petition offered by the pastor:)

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: HEAR OUR PRAYER.

LORD'S PRAYER *[spoken in unison]*

[10 AM only] **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

THE PEACE:

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always!

C: AND ALSO WITH YOU!

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD: ***"BROKEN AND POURED OUT"***

Distribution of the Lord's Supper

AS WE PREPARE TO COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE: Holy Communion is a true celebration of the Real Presence of our Savior, as He gives to us His true Body and Blood under bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins. It is also a recognition of the unity of faith amongst those who share in this special meal. The fellowship of believers that gathers together for this share a recognition that they are sinful, in need of the forgiveness offered through our Lord in this sacrament who gave His life for us on the cross. If, for any reason, you choose not to share in this today, we ask you still to come forward, place your hands over your heart and receive a blessing. Thank – you again for joining us today!

SPECIAL SONGS TO BE SUNG DURING HOLY COMMUNION:

"How Great Is Our God / How Great Thou Art!"

"Majesty"

[5 PM service resumes here:] **CLOSING UNISON PRAYER**:

P: Let us pray together:

C: LOVING GOD, YOU HAVE KINDLED THE FIRE OF YOUR LOVE AMONG ALL THE PEOPLES OF THE EARTH. GRANT THAT WE WHO WALK BY FAITH IN JESUS BE KEPT BY HIS PEACE IN THE MIDST OF EVERY TRIBULATION AND CONFLICT WITH OUR FELLOW HUMAN BEINGS; THROUGH THE SAME JESUS CHRIST, OUR LORD. AMEN.

CLOSING AND BLESSING:

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: THANKS BE TO GOD.

P: [gives the blessing, concluding with:] ... and [+] give you peace.

C: AMEN.

[5 PM only] **CLOSING HYMN**: **"God's Word Is Our Great Heritage"** ***LSB # 582, sung to the alternate [metrical] tune of, "A Mighty Fortress" [from LSB # 657, 1 vs.]***

God's Word is our great heritage
And shall be ours forever;
To spread its light from age to age
Shall be our chief endeavor.
Through life it guides our way,
In death it is our stay.
Lord, grant, while worlds endure,
We keep its teachings pure
Throughout all generations.

[10 AM only] **"And All the People Said 'AMEN'"**

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

C: THANKS BE TO GOD!

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FAITH LADIES GUILD –Starts back on September 6th at 12:30 P.M, Refreshments will be served. Our program this month will be presented by our own Pastor Wenndt . Devotions & business meeting will follow. **All Ladies are invited** to come and share an afternoon of fellowship with their Sisters in Christ – Mark your Calendars--- and join us.

PRAYER LIST

The Health/Unspoken portion of the Prayer List will be updated to reflect current prayer needs. All current names have been cleared and we are starting fresh. Homebound and Military prayer requests will be remain and changes will be made.