# Good Morning!

**To Our Guests:** We are honored that you have chosen to worship with us today! Please stop by our Welcome Desk for more information about all our ministries. Please read below for more information about worshiping with us.

**We love children at Christ Our Savior.** Parents are encouraged to sit in the front pews so young children can see what is happening during worship. A nursery for children, infant to 3 yrs, and a family lounge off the Advent Lobby are available for those who prefer these areas. Ask an usher for directions.

**Joyful Giving Opportunities:** The offering plates are located at the back of the sanctuary. You are welcome to place your offering there before and after the worship services. Or give online! Click here:

**Please check in with the Friendship Pad or Online.** Remove the Friendship pad from the hymn rack on the center aisle and fill out your information. Take note of the people sitting around you – welcome each other by name! Or check in online by clicking here:

We welcome guests to Sunday School and Bible classes, from 9:45 a.m.-10:45 a.m.

Sunday School	Lead by:	Where:
Sunday School Opening	Karla Schettenhelm, Matt Fremder	Rooms 8 & 9
Pre K thru Kindergarten	Dawn Cipa, Susan Weak, Michelle Linderman	Room 15
1 <sup>st</sup> thru 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	Nikki Shingledecker, Kirsten Galka, Sarah Kittleman	Room 8
4 <sup>th</sup> thru 6 <sup>th</sup> grade	Laurie Candela, Tom Brunner, Jim Edwards	Room 10
7 <sup>th</sup> thru 8 <sup>th</sup> grade	Nathan Troike	Room 12
High School Youth	Judy Bruder, Dan Young, Josh Kittleman	Youth Room
Adult Bible Studies		
Bethel Bible Series	Judy Mayle	Gethsemane Chapel
Sermon on the Mount	Pastor Davenport, Pastor Werner, Josh Kittleman, Marie Schlosser, Fritz Quitmeyer, Phil Krauss	Gym

**The Lord's Supper.** When we celebrate the Lord's Supper, we confess our common belief that Christ offers His Body and Blood in, with, and under the bread and wine, for our forgiveness, life and salvation! We truly believe God's Word when He says, "whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord" *1 Corinthians 11:27*. We want you to receive the Lord's Supper as God intended it – for your blessing – so those who are not communicant members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are asked to speak with a pastor or elder prior to communing. If you are not communing today, you are welcome to come to the communion rail to receive a blessing, the assurance that God loves you, or you may remain in your seat and use the time for prayer and meditation. **For those desiring to receive the Lord's Supper but are unable to come forward, please get the attention of the pastor/communion assistant as they come out into the congregation during distribution. They will commune you at your seat. God bless your worship!** 

#### **AS WE GATHER**

The hymn text "Abide with Me," by English clergyman Henry Lyte, has a history that assists in making the words of hope and comfort in the text memorable. Yet, in reflecting on the true importance of the hymn, it is not the circumstances surrounding why it was written that gives it beauty but the words themselves that the author wrote. In timeless poetry, Lyte underscores the meaning of God's presence in the life of the Christian as he writes: "I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless" (LSB 878:5). Our Lord abides with us not only at eventide, but at all times and in all places. Here and now let us bring to this caring God our thanks and praise!

# Order of Worship

Divine Service, Setting One with Holy Communion

**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC** 

"This Joyful Eastertide"
"Crown Him Lord"

Anna Laura Page Michael Helman

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ♣ Preparation ♣

**OPENING HYMN** 

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

LSB 549

- All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
   Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of all.
   Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of all.
- 2. Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God, Who from His altar call; Extol the stem of Jesse's rod And crown Him Lord of all. Extol the stem of Jesse's rod And crown Him Lord of all.
- Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, Ye ransomed from the fall, Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all. Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.
- 4. Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line, Whom David Lord did call, The God incarnate, man divine, And crown Him Lord of all. The God incarnate, man divine, And crown Him Lord of all.
- 7. Oh, that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all. We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all.

#### INVOCATION

- In the name of the Father and of the 
  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

**OPENING SENTENCES**Psalm 146:1–2, 5, 10

- P Praise the LORD!
- Praise the LORD, O my soul!
- I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
- I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
- P Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob,
- whose hope is in the LORD his God.
- P The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations.
- Praise the LORD!

EXHORTATION LSB 151

- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

CONFESSION OF SINS LSB 151

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

ABSOLUTION LSB 151

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

### ♣ Service of the Word ♣

KYRIE (sung) LSB 152

- **P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.

- P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- **G** Amen.

#### **HYMN OF PRAISE**

"Heavenly Hosts in Ceaseless Worship"

LSB 949

- Heav'nly hosts in ceaseless worship "Holy, holy, holy" cry;
   "He who is, who was and will be, God Almighty, Lord Most High."
   Praise and honor, pow'r and glory, Be to Him who reigns alone!
   We, with all His hands have fashioned, Fall before the Father's throne.
- 2. All creation, all redemption, Join to sing the Savior's worth; Lamb of God, whose blood has bought us, Kings and priests, to reign on earth. Wealth and wisdom, pow'r and glory, Honor, might, dominion, praise, Now be His from all His creatures And to everlasting days!

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#### **SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY**

LSB 156

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **And also with you.** (sung)
- Let us pray. O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

#### FIRST READING

(People from every nation are accepted by God.)

Acts 10:34-48

<sup>34</sup>Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), <sup>37</sup>you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup>And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, <sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup>And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup>To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. <sup>46</sup>For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, <sup>47</sup>"Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" <sup>48</sup>And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

- **I** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE** (*The victory of Christ overcomes the world.*)

1 John 5:1-8

<sup>1</sup>Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. <sup>2</sup>By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. <sup>3</sup>For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. <sup>4</sup>For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. <sup>5</sup>Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? <sup>6</sup>This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. <sup>7</sup>For there are three that testify: <sup>8</sup>the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

- **I** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

HANDBELL ANTHEM

"Take My Life"

Sondra Tucker

**HOLY GOSPEL** (Obeying Christ's commands and remaining in His love)

John 15:9-17

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.
- **Glory to You, O Lord.** (sung)

<sup>9</sup>[Jesus said:] "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup>These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. <sup>12</sup>This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. <sup>17</sup>These things I command you, so that you will love one another."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ. (sung)

- Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
   Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise,
   Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 2. Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of Thy love; Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee, Swift and beautiful for Thee.
- 3. Take my voice and let me sing Always, only for my King; Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee, Filled with messages from Thee.
- 4. Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold; Take my intellect and use Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose, Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.
- Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine;Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne,It shall be Thy royal throne.
- Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store;
   Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee,
   Ever, only, all for Thee.

SERMON "Faith Habits 101" 1 John 5:1-8

#### THIS IS WHAT WE BELIEVE

Nicene Creed

(Please refer to the screens or the back of the hymnal for text.)

#### **OFFERING**

The ushers bring forward our gifts as a response to His blessings in our lives.

Offering plates are located at the back of the sanctuary both before and after services.

#### PRAYER AT OFFERING

- P Bless now, O Lord, these gifts and their benefits, that they might be received as evidence of your mercies, and multiplied in effectiveness for Your kingdom. Through this and other acts of giving, train our hearts toward a greater generosity, that the habits of our stewardship lives may be ever more pleasing to You, and ever more expressive of Your holy heart and passions.
- All that I have is Yours, Lord Jesus. All that I have is You.
- P Use then these gifts for works of love and mercy, and unto the increase of Your glory.
- **G** Amen

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Lord in your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Lord Jesus Christ, we bring before You all those who have built their lives on something other than You. We pray that You would draw them to Yourself that they may build on a sure foundation. Lord in your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- Lord Jesus Christ, we pray for all those who have trouble in this world, including for the homeless, the poor, the lonely, the unemployed, those who are abused, and those who are taken advantage of. Lead each of these to steadier situations, so that their lives may evermore be built on You. Lord in your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Lord Jesus Christ, You have borne our griefs and shared in our sorrows. Bring Your comfort all those who are suffering in grief. Point them to the hope that in Your Father's house are many rooms, and You have gone to prepare a place for us. Lord in your mercy,
- **G** hear our prayer.
- Lord Jesus Christ, we pray for all those struggling with relationship issues, whether that is friendships, family dynamics, marital struggles, or anything else. We pray that You would bring reconciliation in the midst of such struggle. Remind Your people that they are chosen and holy and called to reflect Your forgiveness. Lord in your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Lord Jesus Christ, we pray for our nation and its leaders. For our president and vice president and their staffs, for Congress and all lawmakers, for the Supreme Court and all judges, we pray that You would shine Your wisdom upon these, Your servants. Guide them to perform their tasks with justice and equity. Lord in your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Lord Jesus Christ, look with favor upon all who are sick, injured, and recovering. Have mercy upon them, and restore them to health according to Your wisdom. Lord in your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- Lord Jesus Christ, we commend all these people and situations into Your hands, for You have promised to hear our prayers and intercede for us and You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

### → Service of the Sacrament →

We ask that all visitors carefully read our communion statement found in the front of this service bulletin before approaching the communion table.

PREFACE (sung) LSB 160

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **W**e lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### PROPER PREFACE

- It is truly good, right, and for our salvation that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, Lord our God, for You have called us as Your people and have shown us Your grace in all our days. Assured of Your mercy, we come before You, asking that we may receive Your blessings with heartfelt thanksgiving. Pour out upon us the gift of Your Holy Spirit and grant that we may receive the body and blood of our Lord as a guarantee of our salvation and a foretaste of the feast to come in Your eternal kingdom. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and praise, together with the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.
- C Amen.

SANCTUS Holy, Holy, Holy LSB 161

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Send us Your Holy Spirit, the Spirit who brings to life the power of Jesus Christ. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood that we grow securely and confidently as people of faith, abiding in Your amazing love as we live in the hope of an eternity gathered around Your heavenly table.

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**Matt. 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Cor. 11:23-25

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 ⅓ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
continued

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

LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9-13

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

PAX DOMINI The Peace of the Lord LSB 163

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.



AGNUS DEI Lamb of God LSB 163

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The ushers will direct the congregation to the communion rail via the side aisles. When at the communion rail, you are welcome to kneel, as you are able, or remain standing. If you have come to receive a blessing only, please cross your arms over your chest. As the pastor/elder offers you the bread (host) please hold out your hand to receive it. If you require a gluten-free host, please signal to the pastor/elder and take a gluten-free host from the center of the plate. Similarly, if you require an alcohol-free alternative to the wine, please take one of the individual cups from the center of the tray. After receiving the Lord's Supper, please return to your seat by the center aisle. If you are communing at your seat, please get the attention of the pastor/communion assistant, and they will commune you there.

**HANDBELL ANTHEM** "Be Thou My Vision" Eugene Butler

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS** "The Gifts Christ Freely Gives"

LSB 602

The gifts Christ freely gives He gives to you and me
 To be His Church, His bride, His chosen, saved and free!
 Saints blest with these rich gifts Are children who proclaim
 That they were won by Christ And cling to His strong name.

- The gifts flow from the font Where He calls us His own; New life He gives that makes Us His and His alone. Here He forgives our sins With water and His Word; The triune God Himself Gives pow'r to call Him Lord.
- The gifts of grace and peace From absolution flow;
   The pastor's words are Christ's For us to trust and know.
   Forgiveness that we need Is granted to us there;
   The Lord of mercy sends Us forth in His blest care.
- 4. The gifts are there each day The holy Word is read; God's children listen, hear, Receive, and they are fed. Christ fills them with Himself, Blest words that give them life, Restoring and refreshing Them for this world's strife.
- 5. The gifts are in the feast, Gifts far more than we see; Beneath the bread and wine Is food from Calvary. The body and the blood Remove our ev'ry sin; We leave His presence in His peace, renewed again.
- 6. All glory to the One Who lavishes such love; The triune God in love Assures our life above. His means of grace for us Are gifts He loves to give; All thanks and praise for His Great love by which we live!

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THANK THE LORD LSB 164

Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.

He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy

with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

#### POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

- Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, we bless You for having fed us with the body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Help us by Your Holy Spirit that we may abide in the fellowship of the Christian Church and together with all the saints do the good works that You desire us to do, reflecting Your amazing love for us. This we ask through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.
- **G** Amen.

BENEDICTION Numbers 6:24–26

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.

C Amen.

#### **CLOSING HYMN**

"Abide, O Dearest Jesus"

LSB 919

- 1. Abide, O dearest Jesus, Among us with Your grace
  That Satan may not harm us Nor we to sin give place.
- 2. Abide, O dear Redeemer, Among us with Your Word, And thus now and hereafter True peace and joy afford.
- 3. Abide with heav'nly brightness Among us, precious Light; Your truth direct and keep us From error's gloomy night.
- 4. Abide with richest blessings Among us, bounteous Lord; Let us in grace and wisdom Grow daily through Your Word.
- 5. Abide with Your protection Among us, Lord, our strength, Lest world and Satan fell us And overcome at length.
- Abide, O faithful Savior, Among us with Your love;Grant steadfastness and help us To reach our home above.

#### SILENT PRAYER

#### **POSTLUDE**

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