

# Good Morning!

Sunday, August 18, 2024 – 8:30am

**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 worshipping 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.

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**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:
Pre K thru 6 <sup>th</sup> grade	Karla Schettenhelm	Rooms 8 & 9
7 <sup>th</sup> grade thru 12 <sup>th</sup> grade	Judy Bruder, Dan Young, Josh Kittleman	Youth Room
Adult Bible Studies		
Bethel Bible Series	Judy Mayle	Gethsemane Chapel
Callings for Life Discussions: Family, Work, Church, and Society	Josh Kittleman, Pastor Werner, Pastor Davenport, Fritz Quitmeyer	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

Our Lord has argued with His enemies and insists that His flesh is real food and His blood real drink. Even the truth can sometimes be unsettling. The disciples are not sure what to make of it all and watched as many of His followers abandoned Jesus. Peter speaks what is on all our hearts. The way of faith in Christ is not easy, but what choice do we have? Where else is the One who keeps His promises and delivers what He says? Christ alone is the Word of eternal life.

## Order of Worship

*Divine Service, Setting Four with Holy Communion*

### PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Frankie Rogers

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ✠ Preparation ✠

### OPENING HYMN

"Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng"

LSB 813

- 1. Rejoice, O pilgrim throng! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing;  
Your festal banner wave on high, The cross of Christ your king.**

***Refrain:* Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!**

- 2. With voice as full and strong As ocean's surging praise,  
Send forth the sturdy hymns of old, The psalms of ancient days. *Refrain***

- 3. With all the angel choirs, With all the saints on earth  
Pour out the strains of joy and bliss, True rapture, noblest mirth. *Refrain***

- 4. Yet on and onward still, With hymn and chant and song,  
Through gate and porch and columned aisle The hallowed pathways throng. *Refrain***

- △ 7. Praise Him who reigns on high, The Lord whom we adore:  
The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, One God forevermore. *Refrain***

### INVOCATION

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

**C** Amen.

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Psalm 34:8–10*

**P** Oh, fear the LORD, you His saints;

**C** those who seek the LORD lack no good thing. Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!

*Silence for self-examination*

- P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
- C** **I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and given to us His only Son to suffer and die for our salvation. 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  $\text{✝}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**
- P** He who began this good work in you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. Peace be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**

## $\text{✝}$ Service of the Word $\text{✝}$

### KYRIE

LSB 204



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

### HYMN OF PRAISE

"In Thee Is Gladness"

LSB 818

1. **In Thee is gladness Amid all sadness, Jesus, sunshine of my heart.  
By Thee are given The gifts of heaven, Thou the true Redeemer art.  
Our souls Thou wakest, Our bonds Thou breakest;  
Who trusts Thee surely Has built securely; He stands forever: Alleluia!  
Our hearts are pining To see Thy shining,  
Dying or living To Thee are cleaving; Naught can us sever: Alleluia!**

*Interlude*

2. **Since He is ours, We fear no powers, Not of earth nor sin nor death.  
He sees and blesses In worst distresses; He can change them with a breath.  
Wherefore the story Tell of His glory  
With hearts and voices; All heav'n rejoices In Him forever: Alleluia!  
We shout for gladness, Triumph o'er sadness,  
Love Him and praise Him And still shall raise Him Glad hymns forever: Alleluia!**

## SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow His steps in the way that leads to life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## OLD TESTAMENT READING (*"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom."*) Proverbs 9:1–10

<sup>1</sup>Wisdom has built her house; she has hewn her seven pillars. <sup>2</sup>She has slaughtered her beasts; she has mixed her wine; she has also set her table. <sup>3</sup>She has sent out her young women to call from the highest places in the town, <sup>4</sup>"Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!" To him who lacks sense she says, <sup>5</sup>"Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. <sup>6</sup>Leave your simple ways, and live, and walk in the way of insight." <sup>7</sup>Whoever corrects a scoffer gets himself abuse, and he who reproves a wicked man incurs injury. <sup>8</sup>Do not reprove a scoffer, or he will hate you; reprove a wise man, and he will love you. <sup>9</sup>Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser; teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning. <sup>10</sup>The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

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

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

## EPISTLE

*(Walk not as the unwise but as the wise in faith.)*

Ephesians 5:6–21

<sup>6</sup>Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. <sup>7</sup>Therefore do not become partners with them; <sup>8</sup>for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light <sup>9</sup>(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), <sup>10</sup>and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. <sup>11</sup>Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. <sup>12</sup>For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. <sup>13</sup>But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, <sup>14</sup>for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you." <sup>15</sup>Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, <sup>16</sup>making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup>Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. <sup>18</sup>And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup>addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, <sup>20</sup>giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup>submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

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

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

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**HOLY GOSPEL**

*("You have the words of eternal life.")*

John 6:51–69

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.

**G** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>51</sup>[Jesus said:] "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." <sup>52</sup>The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" <sup>53</sup>So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. <sup>54</sup>Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. <sup>55</sup>For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. <sup>56</sup>Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. <sup>57</sup>As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. <sup>58</sup>This is the bread that came down from heaven, not as the fathers ate and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever." <sup>59</sup>Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as he taught at Capernaum. <sup>60</sup>When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?" <sup>61</sup>But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, "Do you take offense at this? <sup>62</sup>Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? <sup>63</sup>It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is of no avail. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. <sup>64</sup>But there are some of you who do not believe." (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) <sup>65</sup>And he said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father." <sup>66</sup>After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. <sup>67</sup>So Jesus said to the Twelve, "Do you want to go away as well?" <sup>68</sup>Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, <sup>69</sup>and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God."

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

**G** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**SERMON HYMN**

"Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death"

LSB 697

- 1. Awake, O sleeper, rise from death, And Christ shall give you light;  
So learn His love, its length and breadth, Its fullness, depth, and height.**
- 2. To us on earth He came to bring From sin and fear release,  
To give the Spirit's unity, The very bond of peace.**

3. **Then walk in love as Christ has loved, Who died that He might save;  
With kind and gentle hearts forgive As God in Christ forgave.**
4. **For us Christ lived, for us He died, And conquered in the strife;  
Awake, arise, go forth in faith, And Christ shall give you life.**

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## SERMON

"Light Words"

*Ephesians 5:6–21*

## THIS IS WHAT WE BELIEVE

Nicene Creed

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

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**P** Lord God, heavenly Father, we offer before You our common supplications for the well-being of Your church throughout the world. So guide and govern it by Your Holy Spirit that all who profess themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Send down upon all ministers of the Gospel and upon the congregations committed to their care the healthful spirit of Your grace that they may please You in all things.

Behold in mercy all who are in authority over us. Supply them with Your blessing that they may be inclined to Your will and walk according to Your Commandments. We humbly ask Your abiding presence in every situation that You would make known Your ways among us. Preserve those who travel, satisfy the wants of Your creatures, and help those who call upon You in any need that they may have patience in the midst of suffering and, according to Your will, be released from their afflictions; through Christ Jesus, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## 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** Oh, give thanks to the Lord for He is good and His mercies, which are new every morning, endure forever. We bring to you Heavenly Father our gifts of thanks and we humbly ask You to bless them to the glory of Your kingdom.

**C** **All that I have is Yours, Lord Jesus. All that I have is You.**

**P** Use these and all of our gifts according to Your infinite wisdom for the needs of Your kingdom and to the increase of Your glory.

**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

LSB 208

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

## PROPER PREFACE

- P** It is truly good, right, and for our salvation 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, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

## SANCTUS *(sung)*

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

LSB 208

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- P** Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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

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

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

## LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9-13*

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

**G** **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

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

**G** Amen.

## AGNUS DEI *(sung)*

*Lamb of God*

*LSB 210*

- 1. O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**
- 2. O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

## 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.***



**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

LSB 621

1. **Let all mortal flesh keep silence And with fear and trembling stand;  
Ponder nothing earthly-minded, For with blessing in His hand  
Christ our God to earth descending Comes our homage to demand.**
2. **King of kings yet born of Mary, As of old on earth He stood,  
Lord of lords in human vesture, In the body and the blood,  
He will give to all the faithful His own self for heav'nly food.**
3. **Rank on rank the host of heaven Spreads its vanguard on the way  
As the Light of Light, descending From the realms of endless day,  
Comes the pow'rs of hell to vanquish As the darkness clears away.**
4. **At His feet the six-winged seraph, Cherubim with sleepless eye,  
Veil their faces to the presence As with ceaseless voice they cry:  
"Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, Lord Most High!"**

**DISTRIBUTION ANTHEM**

"Feed Us Now"

Robin Mann

*Feed us now, Bread of Life, in this holy meal; Let us know Your love anew; we hunger for You. Feed us now, Bread of Life, come and live within; let Your peace be ours today, Lord Jesus, we pray. Piece of bread, glass of wine: Lord, this food is good! Love and mercy come to us; Your promise we trust. Piece of bread, glass of wine; who can understand how His mercy works in these? Yet, Lord, we believe. God is here, O so near; nearer than our thoughts. Stay with us where'er we go; Lord, help us to grow. God is here, O so near, in this heavenly meal. May we always feed on You — on the bread that is true.*

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**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

"Seek Ye First"

LSB 712

1. **Seek ye first the kingdom of God, And His righteousness.  
And all these things shall be added unto you! Allelu, alleluia!**
2. **Ask and it shall be given unto you, Seek and ye shall find,  
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you, Allelu, alleluia!**
3. **Man does not live by bread alone, But by ev'ry word  
That proceeds from the mouth of the Lord, Allelu, alleluia!**

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**NUNC DIMITTIS** (*sung*)*Song of Simeon*

LSB 211

1. **O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace,  
For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace:  
A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill,  
The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.**

**2. All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One;  
For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be,  
God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.**

## **POST- COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

**P** Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, we thank and praise You for feeding us the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send us Your Holy Spirit that, having with our mouths received the Holy Sacrament, we may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

## **BENEDICTION**

*Numbers 6:24–26*

**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.

**C** **Amen.**

## **CLOSING HYMN**

"The Lord, My God, Be Praised"

*LSB 794*

- 1. The Lord, my God, be praised, My light, my life from heaven;  
My maker, who to me Has soul and body given;  
My Father, who will shield And keep me day by day  
And make each moment yield New blessings on my way.**
- 2. The Lord, my God, be praised, My trust, my life from heaven,  
The Father' own dear Son, Whose life for me was given,  
Who for my sin atoned With His most precious blood  
And gives to me by faith The highest heav'nly good.**
- 3. The Lord, my God, be praised, My hope, my life from heaven,  
The Spirit, whom the Son In love to me has given.  
His grace revives my heart And gives my spirit pow'r,  
Help, comfort, and support In sorrow's gloomy hour.**
- △ 4. The Lord, my God, be praised, My God, the ever-living,  
To whom the heav'nly host Their laud and praise are giving.  
The Lord, my God, be praised, In whose great name I boast,  
God Father, God the Son, And God the Holy Ghost.**

## SILENT PRAYER

## POSTLUDE

"Nun danket alle Gott"

G.F. Kauffmann



## ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

By Paul & Laurie Riegel and Roger & Chris Heath, in honor of their children's 3<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary, Joshua & Megan.

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