

# The *10* COMMANDMENTS

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## TEN TIMELESS WORDS



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# Welcome!

***We are glad that you have joined us for worship.***

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As we celebrate Holy Communion, let's rejoice in the various types of unity that we enjoy in this sacrament.



- ◆ According to Christ's own promise we receive his true body and blood along with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of all our sins (Matthew 26:26-28). We are united with him in the Lord's Supper.
- ◆ This meal not only unites believers with the Lord but also with one another (1 Corinthians 10:16-17). Holy Communion declares that unity.
- ◆ When Christians commune together they are jointly proclaiming the gospel of Jesus (1 Corinthians 11:26).

What wonderful unity we find in the Lord's Supper. How we want to treasure and foster this unity. On the night on which Jesus gave us this meal he prayed that all his followers would come to complete agreement with one another on the basis of God's Word (John 17:11,17).

Out of love for the Lord and love for one another, we want what our Savior wants for us—genuine unqualified unity. For this reason we respectfully ask that only those who have expressed their full agreement with the teachings of our national church body (the Wisconsin Synod) or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod come forward to receive the sacrament.

We eagerly desire everyone to share in this divine meal with us. Please speak to the pastor about how we can work together to establish this blessed fellowship.

## **WORSHIP THEME:**

**Honor the Authorities and Exercise Your Authority Honorably**

OPENING HYMN: #778 *Father, We Praise You*

(vs.1-3)

INVOCATION

LITANY OF THE COMMANDMENTS OF GOD (Select Verses of Psalm 119)

CONFESSION OF SIN & SELF-REFLECTION

ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS (Select Verses of Psalm 145)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

## THE WORD

MEDITATION/FIRST LESSON: **Colossians 3:17-4:1**

SUNG RESPONSE: **#761 Our Father, By Whose Name** (vs.1-3)

MEDITATION/SECOND LESSON: **1 Thessalonians 2:4b-13**

SUNG RESPONSE: **Make Me A Servant** (sung)

MEDITATION/THIRD LESSON: **Romans 13:1-7**

SUNG RESPONSE: **#774 God Bless Our Native Land** (vs.1-2)

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

## THE SACRAMENT

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

DISTRIBUTION: **#670 I Come, O Savior, to Your Table**

*Please Note: The center cups of the individual trays contain white grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are labeled on a separate center tray.*

PRAYER

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN: **#603 All Praise to God Who Reigns Above** (vs.1-5)

## CONNECTION CARD ON OUR APP



*Please take a moment and fill out the info on the connection card, located under the Worship Today button on our app or on our website. There is a tablet in entryway or QR Code on the left if you prefer to use that. Please fill out any information and submit.*

## THE OFFERING

*Dear guests, we're glad you're here to listen to the message about Jesus.*

*If members or guests would like to give an offering electronically, they can do so by using the QR Code on the right or download our App, which is available at any app store. Those that give digitally can place the "Give" cards in the plate during the offering.*



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

COUNCIL OF NICAEA: Today we get a historical sketch of the first Christian Roman Emperor, Constantine, and learn about a false teacher named Arius, whose over-reliance on logic led him to deny the deity of God the Son. From Scripture we know that Jesus' eternal deity is essential for our salvation and must be maintained against all heresies--ancient and modern.

NEW ZOOM STUDY (BEGINS AUG. 6TH): "Quick to Listen" - Are you seeking a better understanding and response to evolution, LGBTQ+, atheism, and Bible-skepticism? This study and its companion NPH title will equip you to address these challenging topics. More info to come!

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: **Developing Christian Character Aug. 26th, 7-8:30pm**

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: **The Epic Adventure Begins Tomorrow!** Get a taste of all the fun at our closing program and ice cream social on Thursday @ 6:30 PM!

VBS AUSTRALIA MISSION: Did you know that WELS began mission work in the land down under in 2024? Like the USA, Australia's majority language is English and religion is Christian, but an amazing 40% of Australians claim no religion at all! Your mission offerings help bring Jesus to the lost!



GROUPLIFE EVENT: The *Church Basement Ladies*—If you have already paid for your tickets, they are in your church mailbox. If your tickets are reserved, you will receive them with your payment.

MLC JOB OPENINGS: Accepting applications for a full-time **Early Childhood Assistant Teacher**, a regular part-time **Administrative Assistant for the Non-Traditional Education Program**, and a part-time **Men's Assistant Basketball Coach**. Online at [mlc-wels.edu/hr/](http://mlc-wels.edu/hr/).

TRAVEL WITH WELS GROUPS OWLS (WELS Seniors): Upcoming options include a Labor Day weekend show trip to the Ozarks, wildlife and waterfalls on Minnesota's North Shore (9/2-5), a New England autumn immersion (9/22-10/4), and a Southern California/Mexican coastal cruise combo (12/31-1/13). Trips are open to all W/ELS members. Contact Steve Balza [steve@fathersworldtours.com](mailto:steve@fathersworldtours.com) or 507-217-1731 to learn more.

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