

I BELIEVE...

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. 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



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WELCOME!

We are glad that you have joined us for worship.

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September 1, 2024

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.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

WORSHIP THEME:

I believe in the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting

OPENING HYMN: #880 *For All the Saints* (vs.1-3, 7-8)

INVOCATION

CONFESSION OF SINS & ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS

PRAYER OF THE DAY

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: [Ezekiel 37:1-14](#)

SUNG RESONSE: #884 *Lord, When Your Glory I Shall See*

SECOND LESSON: [Revelation 20:4-6, 11-21:8](#)

THIRD LESSON: [John 11:17-44](#)

3RD ARTICLE OF THE APOSTLES' CREED & LUTHER'S EXPLANATION

HYMN OF THE DAY: #883 *Behold a Host, Arrayed in White* (vs.1-3)

SERMON THEME: **Can these bones live? "You Alone Know!"**

- Requires God's Foreknowledge
- Employs God's Spirit
- Promises God's Action

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

THE SACRAMENT

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

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

PRAYER

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN: #885 *There Is a Higher Throne* (vs.1-2)



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

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY: The Word Endures *Lessons 8*: In Holy Communion our Lord gives us his true body and blood by which he graciously forgives our sins and unites us with himself and each other. God wants us to handle this precious gift with special care, thus, our churches practice "close communion" with those of our fellowship.

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00 PM: We may wonder how Christians can remain steadfast and find hope in our contentious political climate. **Politics is Driving Me Crazy** offers a note of calm and hope and encouragement, reminding us we are citizens of two kingdoms, each with a different role and agenda, over which God rules, and in which we can serve to his glory.

RALLY SUNDAY: Fall ministry begins **September 8th** with a special Christian Education themed Bible study and worship service, followed by a potluck, and the start of Sunday School, Catechism, and Teen Group. Sign-up for a dish to share and/or volunteer to help. Both sign-ups can be found on our App or GroupLife board.

ADULT CHOIR: Rehearsals resume on **Wed., Sept. 11 @ 7pm**. Our goal is to sing simpler pieces for the primary church holidays, starting with Reformation and Thanksgiving. Confirmed members of Ascension who like to sing can sign up on the GroupLife board.

CALLING ALL INSTRUMENTALISTS: Whatever your age or skill level, if you would like to use your musical talents to glorify the Lord, sign up on the GroupLife board and Marcia will coordinate with you.

SECOND HARVEST VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: We are looking for volunteers to help on **Wed, Sept 25 6-8pm**. Participants can register for the shift by utilizing the sign up link on our APP under GroupLife or on our calendar.

FINANCIAL PEACE CLASS: Sign-up for this 9-week course on money management. Beginning **September 24 @ 7pm**, coordinator Eric Olson will help you see how your money can work for you. Visit <https://www.fpu.com/339649> to join.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE: **Sept. 27th 10am-4pm**. Find links to donate or volunteer under "Volunteer" on our App.

FUNERAL PLANNING SEMINAR: We invite you to learn how planning for your final wishes may shield your family from unnecessary emotional and financial burden with guest speaker Eric Baumann. Join us **Mon., Oct. 14 at 7pm**. Learn about pre-arrangements, veteran benefits, cremations, burials, & more.

WISE PENNY THRIFT SHOPPE: **Part-time PAID Cashier Needed!** A full job description and application is available at www.thewisepenny.com/aboutus.html. For more info contact Brittany McFadden at (763) 682-4178 or wisepennythrift@outlook.com.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVED:

- † Guest Pastor: Lynn Wiedmann
- † Pianist: Marcia Michalik
- † AV Team
- † Serving: Flock #5 - Randy Hebb