

PRELUDE: "O Worship the King"

arranged by Benjamin M. Culli

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN:

"O Worship the King" (LSB 804)



1 O wor - ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove.
2 O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
3 This earth, with its store of won - ders un - told,
4 Thy boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?



O grate - ful - ly sing His pow'r and His love;
Whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space;
Al - might - y, Thy pow'r hath found - ed of old,
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,



Our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,
Es - tab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,
It streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,



Pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.
And round it hath cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
And sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.

5 Frail children of dust
and feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust,
nor find Thee to fail.
Thy mercies, how tender,
how firm to the end,
Our maker, defender,
redeemer, and friend!

6 O measureless Might,
ineffable Love,
While angels delight
to hymn Thee above,
Thy humbler creation,
though feeble their lays,
With true adoration
shall sing to Thy praise.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

(LSB 184)

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 to reflect on God's Word and 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: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

INTROIT:

Psalm 34:4–8; antiphon: v. 1

I will bless the Lord at | all times;*

his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.

I sought the Lord, and he | answered me*

and delivered me from | all my fears.

Those who look to him are | radiant,*

and their faces shall never | be ashamed.

This poor man cried, and the Lord | heard him*

and saved him out of all his | troubles.

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who | fear him,*

and de- | livers them.

Oh, taste and see that the | Lord is good!*

Blessèd is the man who takes ref- | uge in him!

GLORIA PATRI:

(LSB 186)



G Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

KYRIE:

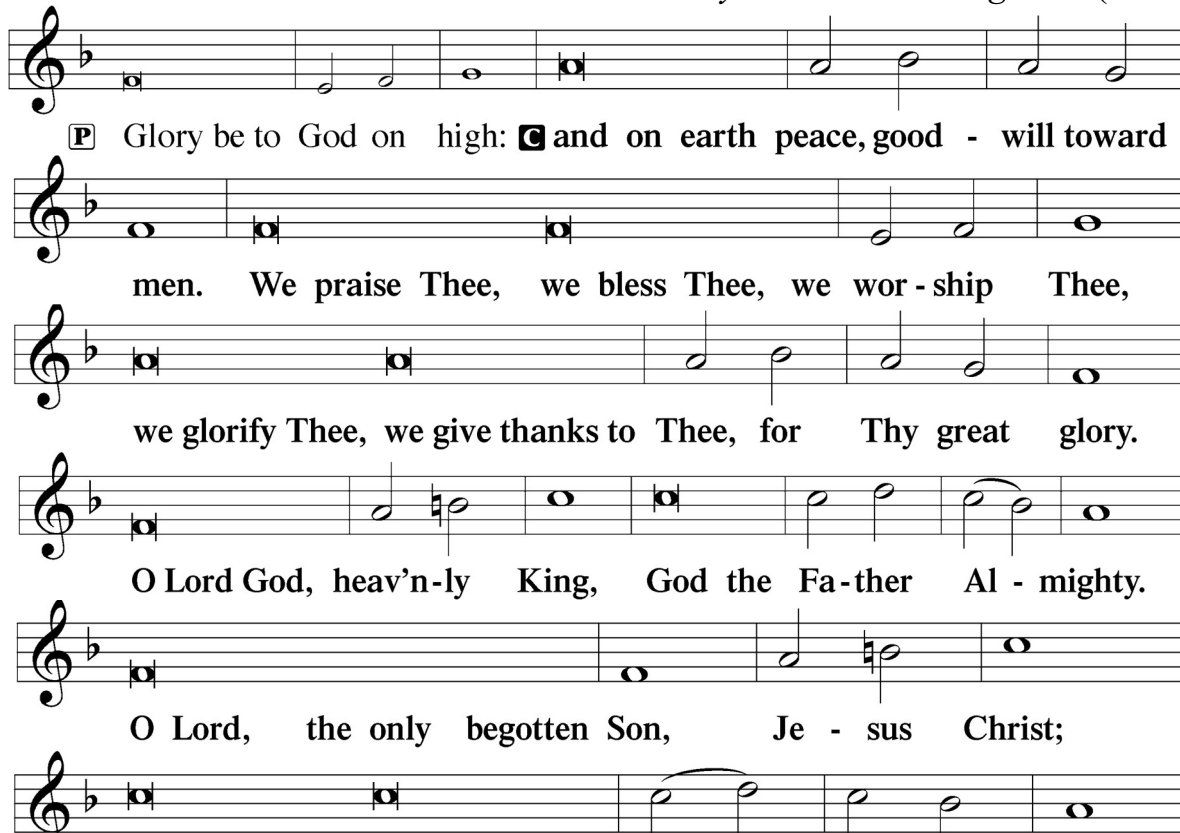
(LSB 186)



G Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS:

"Glory to God in the Highest" (LSB 187-189)



P Glory be to God on high: **G** and on earth peace, good - will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: *(sung)* And with thy spirit.

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. *(please be seated)*

OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Job 38:4–18

P: ⁴[The Lord said to Job:] “Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. ⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? ⁶On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, ⁷when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy? ⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, ⁹when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, ¹⁰and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors, ¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed’? ¹²“Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place, ¹³that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it? ¹⁴It is changed like clay under the seal, and its features stand out like a garment. ¹⁵From the wicked their light is withheld, and their uplifted arm is broken. ¹⁶“Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the

deep? ¹⁷Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness? ¹⁸Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL:

Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.

P: Fear the Lord, you his saints,

C: for those who fear him lack nothing!

P: Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

C: but the Lord delivers him out of them all.

EPISTLE:

Romans 10:5–17

P: ⁵Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. ⁶But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷or “‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

¹⁴But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA:

(LSB 190)



■ Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL:

Matthew 14:22–33

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 14th chapter.

C: (sung) Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

P: ²²Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶But

when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."

²⁸And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." ²⁹He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³²And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: *(sung)* Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH:

(5 p.m. & 8 a.m.) Apostles' Creed

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

And 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.

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.

(10:30 a.m.) Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(5 p.m. & 8 a.m.) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG:**

"Take My Hand and Lead Me" (LSB 722)



1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life's way;
2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear,
3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come,



Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day.
For You, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near.
I know that You will strength - en My steps toward home.



With - out Your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;
Close by Your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,
Then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend;



So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way.
For when Your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go.
So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

(5 p.m. & 8 a.m.) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

HYMN OF THE DAY:

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save" (LSB 717, using alternate vs. 2-3 on next page)



1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, Whose arm hath bound the
2 O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain, O'er which our traf - fic
2 O Christ, whose voice the wa - ters heard And hushed their rag - ing
3 O Spir - it, whom the Fa - ther sent To spread a - broad the



rest - less wave, Who bidd'st the might - y o - cean deep Its
runs a - main By moun - tain pass or val - ley low; Wher -
at Thy word, Who walk - edst on the foam - ing deep And
fir - ma - ment; O Wind of heav - en, by Thy might Save



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we
ev - er, Lord, Thy peo - ple go, Pro - tect them by Thy
calm a - mid its rage didst sleep: O hear us when we
all who dare the ea - gle's flight, And keep them by Thy



cry to Thee For those in per - il on the sea.
guard - ing hand From ev - 'ry per - il on the land.
cry to Thee For those in per - il on the sea.
watch - ful care From ev - 'ry per - il in the air.

3a Most Holy Spirit, who didst brood

Upon the chaos dark and rude,
And bid its angry tumult cease,
And give, for wild confusion, peace:
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea.

4 O Trinity of love and pow'r,
Our people shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them wheresoe'er they go;
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee
Glad praise from air and land and sea.

SERMON

(10:30 a.m.) Installation and Re-dedication of Teachers, Daycare, and Staff

OFFERTORY:

(LSB 192-193)



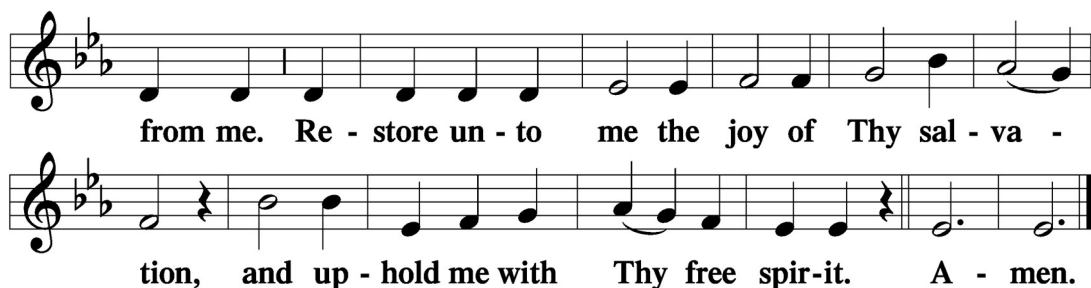
Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it



PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(Each petition ends “Lord, in Your mercy” and we respond, “hear our prayer.”)

HEALING AND COMFORT: David Blankenship, Margaret Hanebutt, Brendan Harms, Ruth Hecht, Beth Kilpatrick, Barbara Korves, Stanley Langrehr, Kortney Moll, Norma Preston, Bunny Schnepel, Mary Schultz, Eugene Stamm, Elroy & Carolyn Stellhorn, Bennett Wright, Trudy Woolbright; *Family/Friends of St. John’s Members:* Andy Amann, Doug Burford, Allana Chamness, Carey Coffman, Justin Fausz, Mary Gibson, Virgil Gramenz, Shirley Hartmann, Gerald Hitzemann, Rev. Russell Koen, Andrea Kuehner, Tyson Moonier, Virgil Palm, Ron Pflueger, Ted Stellhorn, Milton Theobald III, Matthew Vallett, Amy Winkelman, Roger Womack.

✠ God’s blessings upon teachers, daycare workers, students and staff at opening of new school year

The 5 p.m. & 8 a.m. service continues with the Lord’s Prayer, and a Closing Prayer.

(10:30 a.m.) **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT:** pages 194-202ff.

PREFACE:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And with thy spirit.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

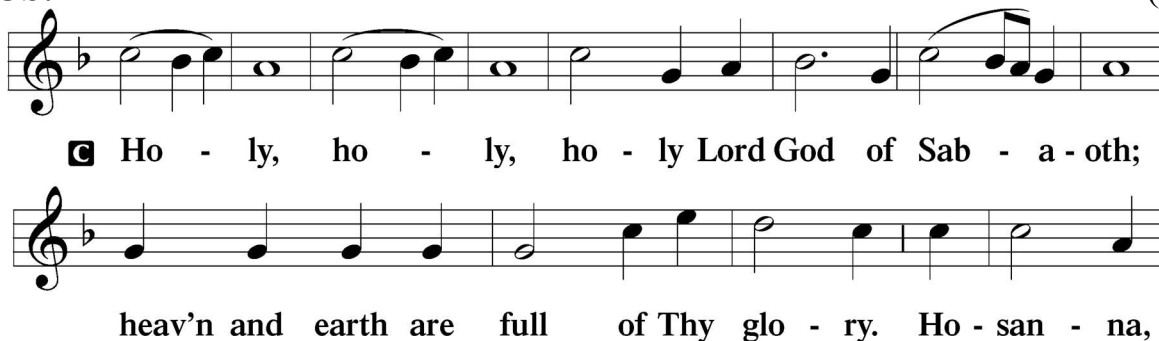
P: Please let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C: **It is meet and right so to do.**

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS:

(LSB 195)





ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



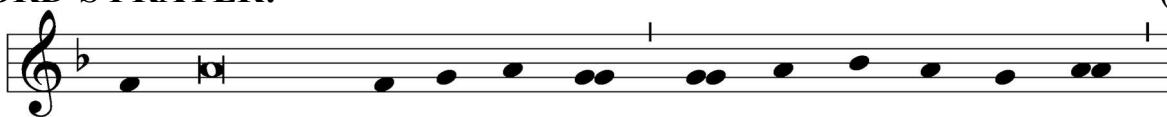
bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



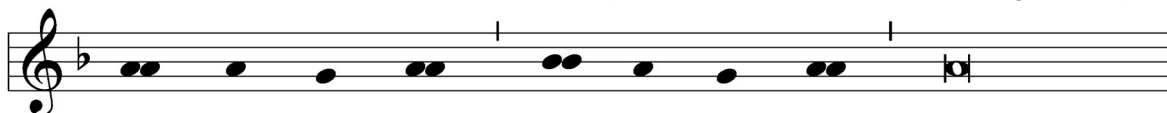
Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

(LSB 196)



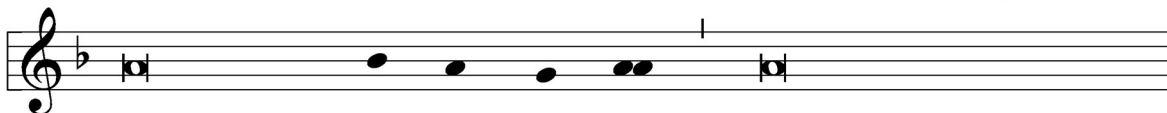
P Our Father who art in heav - en, hal - low - ed be Thy name,



Thy king - dom come, Thy will be done on earth as it



is in heav - en; give us this day our dai - ly bread;



and forgive us our tres - pass - es as we forgive those who



tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in - to



temp - ta - tion, but deliver us from e - vil.



C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the



glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD:

(LSB 197)



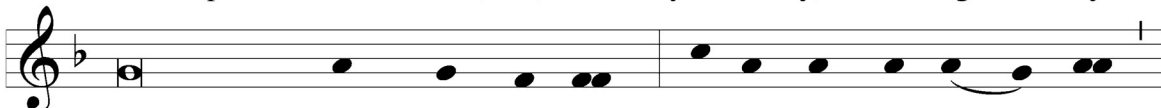
P Our Lord Je-sus Christ, on the night when He was be-trayed, took bread,



and when He had giv - en thanks, He broke it and gave it to the



dis-ci-ples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ bod - y, which is giv-en for you.



This do in re - mem - brance of Me." In the same way al - so



He took the cup after sup - per, and when He had giv-en thanks, He gave it



to them, say - ing: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in



My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the for-give-ness of sins.



This do, as often as you drink it, in re-mem-brance of Me."

PAX DOMINI:

(LSB 197)



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

AGNUS DEI:

(LSB 198)

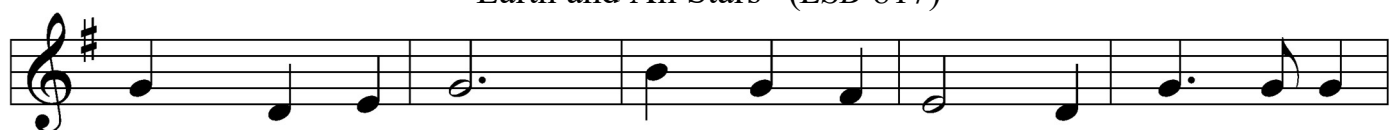
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: *(please be seated)*

“Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me” (LSB 722)

1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life's way;
2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear,
3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come,
Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day.
For You, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near.
I know that You will strength - en My steps toward home.
With - out Your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;
Close by Your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,
Then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend;
So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way.
For when Your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go.
So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

“Earth and All Stars” (LSB 817)



1 Earth and all stars! Loud rush - ing plan - ets! Sing to the
 2 Hail, wind, and rain! Loud blow - ing snow - storm! Sing to the
 3 Trum - pet and pipes! Loud clash - ing cym - bals! Sing to the
 4 En - gines and steel! Loud pound - ing ham - mers! Sing to the



Lord a new song! Oh, vic - to - ry! Loud shout - ing
 Lord a new song! Flow - ers and trees! Loud rus - tling
 Lord a new song! Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud hum - ming
 Lord a new song! Lime - stone and beams! Loud build - ing



ar - my! Sing to the Lord a new song!
 dry leaves! Sing to the Lord a new song!
 cel - los! Sing to the Lord a new song!
 work - ers! Sing to the Lord a new song!

Refrain



He has done mar - vel - ous things.



I too will praise Him with a new song!

5 Classrooms and labs!
 Loud boiling test tubes!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Athlete and band!
 Loud cheering people!
 Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain

6 Knowledge and truth!
 Loud sounding wisdom!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Daughter and son!
 Loud praying members!
 Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain

7 Children of God,
Dying and rising,
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Heaven and earth,
Hosts everlasting,
Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain

“God Moves in A Mysterious Way” (LSB 765)



1 God moves in a mys - te - rious way His
2 Judge not the Lord by fee - ble sense, But
3 His pur - pos - es will rip - en fast, Un -
4 Blind un - be - lief is sure to err And
5 You fear - ful saints, fresh cour - age take; The



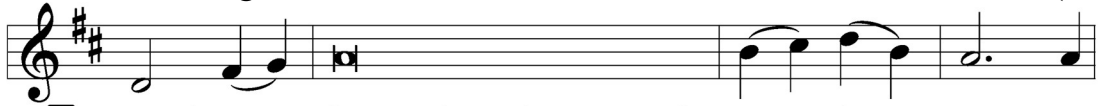
won - ders to per - form; He plants His foot - steps
trust Him for His grace; Be - hind a frown - ing
fold - ing ev - 'ry hour; The bud may have a
scan His work in vain; God is His own in -
clouds you so much dread Are big with mer - cy



in the sea And rides up - on the storm.
prov - i - dence Faith sees a smil - ing face.
bit - ter taste, But sweet will be the flow'r.
ter - pret - er, And He will make it plain.
and will break In bless - ings on your head.

NUNC DIMITTIS : “Song of Simeon”

(LSB 199-200)



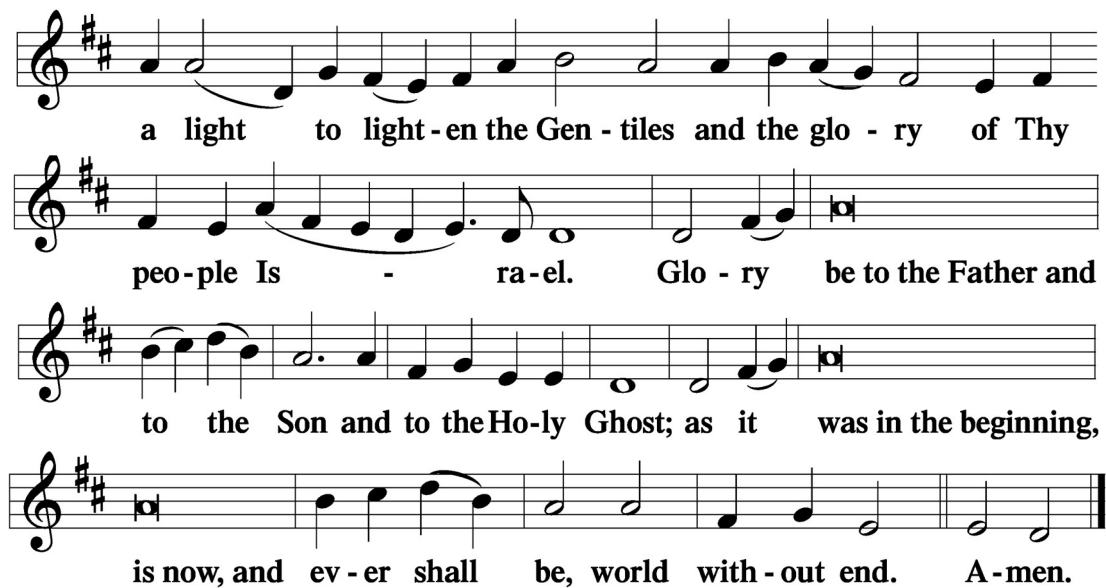
Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



THANKSGIVING:

(LSB 200)

P: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C: **and His mercy endureth forever.**

P: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

SALUTATION, BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION:

(LSB 201-202)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And with thy spirit.**

P: Bless we the Lord.

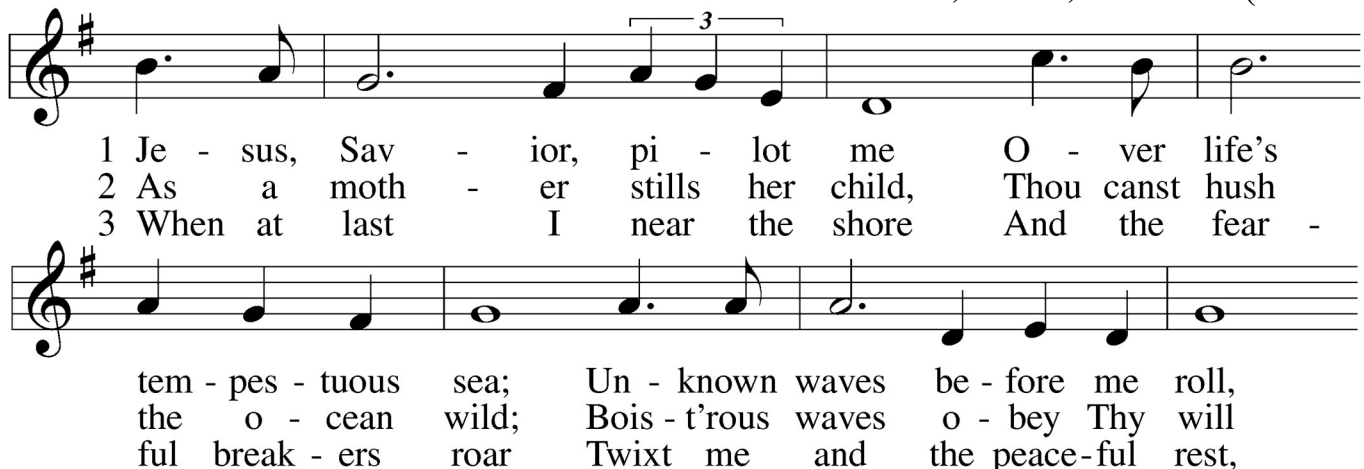
C: **Thanks be to God.**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

C: **Amen, amen, amen.**

CLOSING HYMN:

“Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me” (LSB 715)



Hid - ing rock and treach - 'rous shoal. Chart and com -
 When Thou say'st to them, "Be still!" Won - drous Sov -
 Then, while lean - ing on Thy breast, May I hear
 pass come from Thee. Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
 'reign of the sea, Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
 Thee say to me, "Fear not, I will pi - lot thee."

POSTLUDE: "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

arranged by Charles Callahan

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This Week with Our Lord, August 9-16, 2026

SUNDAY, August 9-

9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class

10:30 a.m. Rededication of Teachers

Monday, August 10-

8:00 a.m. Faculty Meeting

Tuesday, August 11- *Pastor Winkelman's day off*

First Day of School!! 1:45 dismissal

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Quilting in Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in Fellowship Hall

1:00 p.m. All School Opening Chapel Service

4:15 p.m. SB @ RBC

4:30 p.m. BB @ ICS

6:30 p.m. Bible Recap Class in Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, August 12-

9:00 a.m. to Noon Quilting in Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in Fellowship Hall

4:30 p.m. Board for Parish Education meeting

6:30 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

Thursday, August 13-

6:00 p.m. Men's Club BBQ

Friday, August 14-

Saturday, August 15-

5:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte – Finn Liefer

BB/SB "A" Trny @ RBL

SUNDAY, August 16- *Rally Day for Sunday School*

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte – Grayden Schloemann

9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class & Sunday School

10:15 a.m.-?? Sr. Youth BBQ @ school's parking lot

10:30 a.m. Divine Service; Acolyte – Amelia Cheek

THE PRAYER CHAIN:

Vickie Heller is our Prayer Chain Coordinator. To serve in the Prayer Chain or if you have a prayer request, please contact her at dvheller@htc.net or 618/521-7417. Call our office to add someone to our worship prayers.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

August 1-2: Worship: 237; Communion: 138; Adult Bible Classes: 41; *No Sun. School*

August 4-5: Women's Bible Study: 11; *No Bible Recap; No Chapel*

August 5: Worship: 46; *No Communion*; August 7: *No Chapel*

WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN, WHATE'ER THE GIFT MAY BE:

We join together in the grace of giving. 8/2/26- General: \$23,534.00; School: \$245.00; Debt Reduction: \$460.00.

FLOWERS IN CHANCEL:

To have flowers in worship please call the office at 618-282-2394 to notify the committee and to have proper thanks in the bulletin of those donating.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

8/9- Brittney Stines, Amber Mollet, Norah Wagner, Eleanor Smith, Briggs Henry; **8/10-** Matthew Moeller, Lynleigh Wingerter; **8/11-** Martha Rohlfing, Kathy Liefer, Scott Whelan, Michael Moll, Mackenzie Dilley, Katelyn Koester, Boone Foster; **8/12-** Audrey Mueth; **8/13-** Payton Burmester, Oliver Brown, Chase Henry; **8/14-** Sandra Ehlers, Gary Schleifer, Pamela Henry, Jacob Koen, Colby Voss, Maverick Sicka; **8/15-** Nancy Langrehr, Matthew Lowe, Stephanie Kennedy, Jessica Mueth, Colton Hick, Sophia Voss.

EPISTLES:

Paper copies of the August edition of our congregation's newsletter are on the tables in the entryway. It is also posted on our website and has been sent by email to those for whom the office has an email address. *To ensure an article is in the September Epistle, please send an email to the office by August 21!*

YEARS OF SERVICE RECOGNITION:

During Sunday's 10:30 a.m. service we will recognize the following for their years of service: Heather Nowak (20 years to LCMS); Justin Palm (20 years to LCMS); Amanda Ruhmann (20 years to LCMS); Doreen Schnepel (20 years to LCMS & St. John's); Nicole Kadlec (15 years to St. John's); Melissa Schilling (10 years to St. John's); Hailey Guebert (5 years to St. John's); Wil Krick (5 years to St. John's); Brian Nowak (5 years to LCMS & St. John's); Kaitlin Schmitz (5 years to St. John's); Sara Shepherd (5 years to St. John's).

BIBLE RECAP:

After this week, the Bible Recap class will not be meeting on August 18th or 25th. Class will resume on Tuesday, September 1st.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:

Women's Bible Study will meet on Tuesday and Wednesday starting **August 11 and 12** at 9:30am in the fellowship hall. If interested in attending and want to know more contact Chris Doerr at 618-343-5329 or chrisdoerr9@gmail.com.

SUMMER SINGERS:

During these summer months, the Summer Singers will be enhancing our worship services! We will sing on **August 16th @ 8:00am**. ANYONE who enjoys singing is welcome to participate!! Yes, this includes kids and youth as well! We'll meet a half hour before the service begins to practice the song, which is simple and easy to sing! Come sing with us!!

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY:

Will be held Sunday, August 16 starting at 9:30 am. We will gather in the new gym, and weather permitting, we will be outside for fun and snacks. This will begin the tracking of perfect attendance for the first quarter.

VOLUNTEERS FOR PAINTING:

We are in need of volunteers who are willing to help paint our church basement. This project needs to be completed prior to August 31st. If you are willing to help, please contact the church office at 618-282-2394 or email office@stjohnsredbud.org. Thank You!

SHOE COLLECTION BIN:

St. John's Lutheran School would like to host a drop-off location for **LACED SHOES** for the Lions Club of Red Bud. We will have the bin in the school's main lobby from **August 4 through September 11**. Please drop any donations off at school during normal business hours, Mon - Fri from 8-4. *Justin Palm*

BELL CHOIR RINGER NEEDED THIS FALL:

Bell Choir will begin their new season in September! We will need a new ringer to play bells C5 and B4, which are medium/large size and notated in the bass clef.

Bell Choir practices every Thursday (beginning on Sept. 10th) starting at 6 pm and lasts about 45 minutes to an hour. We play on average about 2 worship services a month, plus the Wednesday evening Thanksgiving service on November 25th.

If you're interested or know someone who might be, please contact Mrs. Lindsey Hudak.

REQUEST FOR SECRET ANGELS:

Secret Angels serve our 8th grade students (day school and Public-School students) by praying for their students and encouraging them in their studies with regular notes and small gifts and occasional (e.g. birthday, Halloween, Christmas, Valentine's Day) larger gifts. You will be given a Secret Angel Information Form that the students will complete once school has begun, so you will know their interests and likes. (**Students, these forms are due back by Sept. 2**) Please contact Mr. Becker if you are willing to serve in this way. Also, do not contact your student until after Mr. Becker has given you your information form. Secret Angels will be revealed to their students at the Rite of Confirmation.

CALLING ALL SENIORS TO SING:

Attention Seniors 55 and older... Please join us as we sing to honor this country as part of Red Bud's 250th celebration on **Saturday, August 29th** at 11:00 a.m. at Lincoln Park. Rehearsals will be held at St. Peter UCC in Red Bud at 7p.m. on **August 20th, and 24th**.

LCMS MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE:

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word. (2 Thessalonians 2:16–17)

ELECTRONIC GIVING

If you forgot your check/cash and would like to give electronically you can through our St. John's app. Either download our app here: <https://tithely.app.link/stjohnsredbud> or scan the QR code with your smartphone or tablet camera app. Once there, simply fill out the amount, choose the fund you are giving to (*choose to cover the cost or not, your choice*) and finish filling out the form to give. You can then set it up to give automatically if so desired.



COLLEGE KIDS

If you or your child/grandchild are heading off to college, Pastor Mark would like to keep in touch and help connect them to a local Lutheran church. The easiest way to do this is email or text Pastor: name, college attending, address and phone or email. He'll take it from there. (mwinkelman@stjohnsredbud.org 815.499.1135)

DONATIONS FOR BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM:

Our Before & After School Care Program is looking for donations of art supplies and games to help keep our children engaged, creative, and having fun!

Requested item(s) such as: crayons, markers, colored pencils, construction paper, craft supplies, glue, scissors, coloring books, board games, card games, puzzles, and other age-appropriate activity supplies. Donations can be dropped off at the daycare Monday- Friday 6:00am-5:30pm

Amazon Wish List: <https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/3RUPPERZNFUL>

Every donation, big or small, helps provide enriching experiences for the children in our program. Thank you for your generosity and support!

Please reach out to Courtney Schoenbeck with any questions cschoenbeckstjohnsredbud.org.

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Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher/Liturgist: Rev. Mark Winkelman

Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak (10:30 a.m.) Lector: DCE Bill Becker

Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Kenadee Crafton; (8 a.m.) Aubrey Kiefer; (10:30 a.m.) Cassidy Palm

Greeters: (5 p.m.) Virginia & Mark Moeller; (8 a.m.) Linda Guebert & Christine Doerr

(10:30 a.m.) Ron & Diane Kunkelmann

Video: Eric Fritsche/Justin Palm

Communion Cloths: Breanne Mench

Flower Servers: Irma Birkner

Paraments: Irma Birkner