

PRELUDE:

(5 p.m.) "Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us"

Bell Choir

(8 a.m.) "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

arranged by John A. Behnke

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN: "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" (LSB 940, please stand for last stanza)



1 Ho - ly God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we
2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn An - gel choirs a -
3 Lo, the a - pos - tles' ho - ly train Join Thy sa - cred
4 Thou art King of Glo - ry, Christ; Son of God, yet
△ 5 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



bow be - fore Thee. All on earth Thy scep - ter claim,
bove are rais - ing; Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
name to hal - low; Proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
born of Mar - y. For us sin - ners sac - ri - ficed,
three we name Thee; Though in es - sence on - ly one,



All in heav'n a - bove a - dore Thee. In - fi - nite Thy
In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, Fill the heav'ns with
And the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low, And from morn to
As to death a Trib - u - tar - y, First to break the
Un - di - vid - ed God we claim Thee And, a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is Thy reign.
sweet ac - cord: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!
set of sun Through the Church the song goes on.
bars of death, Thou hast o - pened heav'n to faith.
bend the knee While we own the mys - ter - y.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

(LSB 151)

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

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence to reflect on God's Word and self-examination.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: **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.**

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.**

INTROIT:

The Lord is your | keeper;*

I lift up my eyes | to the hills.*

My help comes | from the Lord,*

He will not let your | foot be moved;*

Behold, he who keeps | Israel*

The Lord will keep you from all | evil;*

The Lord will keep your going out and your | coming in*

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

The Lord is your | keeper;*

Psalm 121:1–4, 7–8; antiphon: v. 5
the Lord is your shade on your | right hand.

From where does my | help come?

who made | heaven and earth.

he who keeps you will not | slumber.

will neither slum- | ber nor sleep.

he will | keep your life.

from this time forth and for- | evermore.

and to the Holy | Spirit;

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

the Lord is your shade on your | right hand.

(LSB 152-153)

KYRIE:

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mer-cy.**

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mer-cy.**

P: 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 mer-cy.**

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mer-cy.**

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: **A-men.**

HYMN OF PRAISE:

“This Is the Feast” (LSB 155)

Refrain: This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -
 blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain: This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

C: **O God, the protector of all who trust in You, have mercy on us that with You as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; 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)**

ANTHEM: (5 p.m.) “Come, O Almighty King”

Bell Choir

(8 a.m.) “Take My Life and Let It Be”

Choir

1. *Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
 Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.
 Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of Thy love.
 Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be Thy royal throne.*
2. *Take my voice, and let it sing always, only for my King;
 Take my intellect and use ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.
 Take my will and make it Thine; it shall be no longer mine.
 Take myself, and I will be ever, only all for Thee.
 Thus my life will truly be consecrated, Lord, to Thee. Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Isaiah 45:1–7

P: ¹Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped, to subdue nations before him and to loose the belts of kings, to open doors before him that gates may not be closed: ²“I will go before you and level the exalted places, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, ³I will give you the treasures of darkness and the hoards in secret places, that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. ⁴For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I name you, though you do not know me. ⁵I am the Lord, and there is

no other, besides me there is no God; I equip you, though you do not know me, ⁶that people may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is none besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other. ⁷I form light and create darkness, I make well-being and create calamity, I am the Lord, who does all these things.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL:

Psalm 91:11; 103:1

P: He will command his angels concerning you

C: **to guard you in all your ways.**

P: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

C: **and all that is within me, bless his holy name!**

EPISTLE:

1 Thessalonians 1:1–10

P: ¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

²We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. ⁹For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA and VERSE:

(LSB 156)

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL:

Matthew 22:15–22

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 22nd chapter. C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

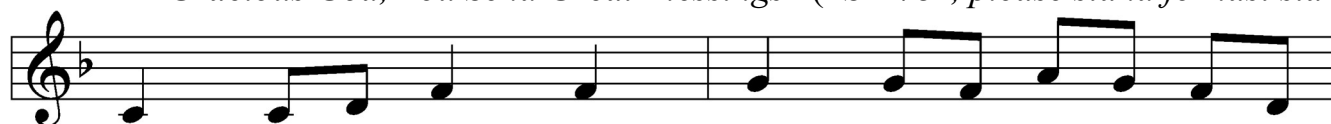
¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. ¹⁶And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone’s opinion, for

you are not swayed by appearances. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" ²¹They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY:

"Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings" (LSB 782, please stand for last stanza)



1 Gra - cious God, You send great bless - ings
 2 By Your Word You formed cre - a - tion
 3 In His earth - ly life, our Sav - ior
 △ 4 Heav'n - ly Fa - ther, may our car - ing



New each morn - ing all our days. For Your mer - cies
 Filled with crea - tures large and small; As we tend that
 Knew the care of faith - ful friends; May our deeds of
 Bear the im - print of Your grace; With the Son and



nev - er end - ing, For Your love we of - fer praise.
 end - less trea - sure May our care en - cir - cle all.
 ded - i - ca - tion Of - fer love that nev - er ends.
 Ho - ly Spir - it, Praise be Yours in ev - 'ry place!

Refrain



Lord, we pray that we, Your peo - ple Who Your gifts un - num - bered claim,



Through the shar - ing of Your bless - ings May bring glo - ry to Your name.

SERMON

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH:

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.

OFFERTORY:

(LSB 159-160)



What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (please stand if you are able)

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

HEALING AND COMFORT: David Blankenship, Mike DeRousse, Donald Fausz, Glen Guebert, Jim Guebert, Margaret Hanebutt, Brendan Harms, Ruth Hecht, Beth Kilpatrick, Barbara Korves, Stanley Langrehr, Elsie Miller, Kortney Moll, Norma Preston, Bunny Schnepel, Mary Schultz, Eugene Stamm, Elroy & Carolyn Stellhorn, Trudy Woolbright; *Family/Friends of St. John's Members:* Andy Amann, Doug Burford, Carey Coffman, Tom Cornacchini, Pam Ehlers, Justin Fausz, Mary Gibson, Shirley Hartmann, Darlene Heck, Tina Heinemann, Rev. Russell Koen, Andrea Kuehner, Tyson Moonier, Jennifer (nee Stolte) Sievers, Ted Stellhorn, Matthew Vallett, Amy Winkelman, Roger Womack.

✠ Clyde Rowald's 80th Birthday on Saturday, October 17th

✠ God's guidance through our pastoral vacancy

✠ blessings on the harvest and safety in the fields

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT: pages 160-166ff.

PREFACE:

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.**

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS:

(page 161)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING:

P: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

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 LORD'S PRAYER:

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

C: **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. A-men.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD AND THE PAX DOMINI:

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

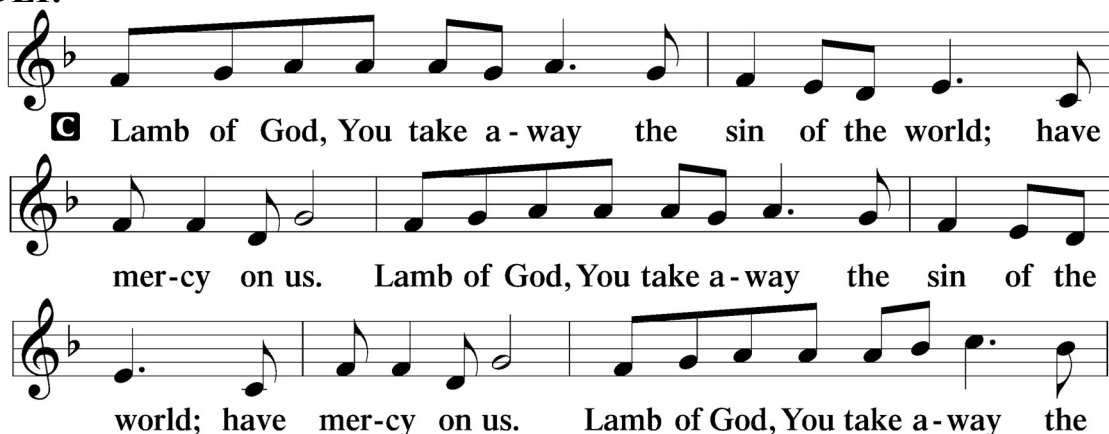
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

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

C: A-men.

AGNUS DEI:

(page 163)



☐ Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: *(please be seated)*

(5 p.m.) Anthem: "Eine Kleine Nachtmusic"

Bell Choir

(8 a.m.) Anthem: "The Heavens Declare Thy Glory, Lord"

Choir

1. *The heav'n's declare Thy glory, Lord, In ev'ry star Thy wisdom shines;
But when our eyes behold Thy Word, We read Thy name in fairer lines.
The rolling sun, the changing light, And night and days Thy power confess;
But the blest Volume Thou didst write reveals Thy justice and Thy grace.*
2. *Great Son of righteousness, arise, Bless the dark world with heav'nly Light;
Thy Gospel makes the simple wise, Thy laws are pure, Thy judgments right.
Thy noblest wonders here we view, In souls renewed, and sins forgiv'n.
Lord, cleanse our hearts, our souls renew, And make Thy Word our guide to heav'n.*

"We Give Thee But Thine Own" (LSB 781)



- 1 We give Thee but Thine own, What - e'er the gift may be;
- 2 May we Thy boun - ties thus As stew - ards true re - ceive
- 3 Oh, hearts are bruised and dead, And homes are bare and cold,
- 4 To com - fort and to bless, To find a balm for woe,



All that we have is Thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
And glad - ly, as Thou bless - est us, To Thee our first-fruits give!
And lambs for whom the Shep-herd bled Are stray - ing from the fold.
To tend the lone and fa - ther-less Is an - gels' work be - low.

5 The captive to release,
To God the lost to bring,
To teach the way of life and peace,
It is a Christ-like thing.

6 And we believe Thy Word,
Though dim our faith may be:
Whate'er for Thine we do, O Lord,
We do it unto Thee.

“Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us” (LSB 851)

1 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your
 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Glad - ly,
 3 Won - drous hon - or You have giv - en To our
 4 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your

life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the
 free - ly of Your own. With the sun - shine of Your
 hum - blest char - i - ty In Your own mys - te - rious
 life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the

lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice;
 good - ness Melt our thank - less hearts of stone
 sen - tence, “You have done it all to Me.”
 lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice.

And with that have free - ly giv - en Bless - ings
 Till our cold and self - ish na - tures, Warmed by
 Can it be, O gra - cious Mas - ter, That You
 Give us faith to trust You bold - ly, Hope, to

count - less as the sand To the un - thank - ful
 You, at length be - lieve That more hap - py
 deign for alms to sue, Say - ing by Your
 stay our souls on You; But, oh, best of

and the e - vil With Your own un - spar - ing hand.
 and more bless - ed ’Tis to give than to re - ceive.
 poor and need - y, “Give as I have giv’n to you”?
 all Your grac - es, With Your love our love re - new.

“Sent Forth by God's Blessing” (LSB 643)

1 Sent forth by God's bless-ing, Our true faith con-fess-ing,
 2 With praise and thanks-giv-ing To God ev-er-liv-ing,

The peo-ple of our God from His dwell-ing take leave.
 The tasks of our ev-'ry-day life we will face.

The Sup-per is end-ed. O now be ex-tend-ed
 Our faith ev-er shar-ing, In love ev-er car-ing,

The fruits of this ser-vice in all who be-lieve.
 Em-brac-ing His chil-dren of each tribe and race.

The seed of His teach-ing, Re-cep-tive souls reach-ing,
 With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;

Shall blos-som in ac-tion for God and for all.
 U-nite us as one in this life that we share.

His grace did in-vite us, His love shall u-nite us
 Then may all the liv-ing With praise and thanks-giv-ing

To work for God's king-dom and an-swer His call.
 Give hon-or to Christ and His name that we bear.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE:

“Thank the Lord” (LSB 164)

☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.

Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.

He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy

with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT:

P: Let us pray.

P: 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.

BENEDICTION:

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:

"Crown Him with Many Crowns" (LSB 525)

1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;

2 Crown Him the vir - gin's Son, The God in - car - nate born,

3 Crown Him the Lord of love. Be - hold His hands and side,

4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the grave

5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds a - bove,

Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own.

Whose arm those crim-son tro-phies won Which now His brow a-dorn:

Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri-fied.

And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save.

Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The won-drous name of Love.



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And
Fruit of the mys - tic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The
No an - gels in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight, But
His glo - ries now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who
Crown Him with man - y crowns As thrones be - fore Him fall; Crown



hail Him as thy match-less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty.
root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The babe of Beth - le - hem.
down-ward bend their won-d'ring eyes At mys - ter - ies so bright.
died e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.
Him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, For He is king of all.

POSTLUDE: "C Major"

by Georg Friedrich Handel

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This Week with Our Lord, October 18-25, 2026

SUNDAY, October 18- Pastor Appreciation Sunday

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

10:30 a.m. Primary Sunday School singing during service

12 p.m. to 3 p.m. Pastor Appreciation Shoe Factory @ Lieferbrau

Monday, October 19-

BBB B Trny @ PDR

GBB A Trny @ RBL

7:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting in Library

7:00 p.m. Adult Choir practice

Tuesday, October 20- Pastor Winkelman's day off & P/T Conferences 3-8 p.m.

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

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

1:45 p.m. Early Dismissal

7:00 p.m. Evening Guild Meeting

Wednesday, October 21- P/T Conferences 3:30-8 p.m.

7:00 a.m. Public School Confirmation

8:30 a.m. 3rd-8th Grade Chapel

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

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

1:35 p.m. Staff meeting

3:15 p.m. Public School Confirmation

6:30 p.m. Divine Service

Thursday, October 22-

1:45 p.m. Early Dismissal

Friday, October 23- No School -- Epistle articles are due!!

Saturday, October 24-

9 a.m. BBB vs Sparta @ RBES - Hoops for the Cure

10:30 a.m. GBB vs Sparta @ RBES - Hoops for the Cure

5:00 p.m. Divine Service; Acolyte – Bryson Williams

SUNDAY, October 25-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service; Acolyte – Sophia Voss

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

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte – Layla Meyer

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:

October 10-11: Worship: 298; Communion: 73; Adult Bible Classes: 38; Sun. School: 38

October 14-15: Women's Bible Study: 17; Bible Recap: 18; Worship: 61; Communion: 47

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

We join together in the grace of giving. 10/11/26- General: \$17,667.25; School: \$300.00; Debt Reduction: \$250.00.

VOTERS' MEETING:

Third Quarter Voters' Meeting will be held on **October 28** at 7:15pm in the Fellowship Hall.

FLOWERS IN CHANCEL:

✠ The flowers on the pedestal today are given in honor of Clyde Rowald's 80th Birthday by his family

✠ 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:

10/18- Wesley Salger, David Dannenberg, Megan Schrader, Max Voss, Brynlee Durbin; **10/19-** Roger Herriman, Oliver Koester; **10/20-** Elaine Guebert, Donald Liefer, Natalie Bowles; **10/21-** Linda Weseloh, Ben Schwartzkopf, Justin Palm, Jared Schneider, Makayla Liefer, Caleb Guebert, Hailey Proctor; **10/22-** John Preston, Gail Wild, Clarke Thien; **10/23-** Jackie Schluter, Thomas Mulherin, Chelsea Rippelmeyer, Mason Salger; **10/24-** Wendy Kuehner, Brinley Wolter.

ALUMNI NEWSLETTER:

Copies of the Latest edition of our Alumni Newsletter are on the tables in the Narthex.

LCMS MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE:

So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are truly My disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." (John 8:31-32)

THANK YOU:

Thank you to all who helped, donated, and came and ate at the Whelan Family Benefit BBQ this past Sunday. It was a success thanks to everyone's generosity and support!

EVENING GUILD MEETING:

Evening Guild meeting on **Tuesday, October 20th at 7pm** with guest speaker Erin Kuehn on "Operation Christmas Child." October Mission Project: Operation Christmas Child, small toys and special gifts that fit in a shoebox for ages 2 to 14 (stuffed toys, jewelry, trucks, or something special for a young child). *Place in a special box in the fellowship hall.*

WURSTMARKT:

80th Annual Holy Cross Wurstmarkt & Country Store, at Renault, IL on **Sunday, October 25.** dine in from noon - 4:00pm, carry out from noon - 5:00pm with handicap accessible dining. Our dine in or carry out includes pork sausage, mashed potatoes, milk gravy, sauerkraut, corn, green beans, cranberry sauce, applesauce, our homemade apple butter, homemade pies, coffee & lemonade. It is \$15 for adults; \$7 for children 6-12 and children 5 and under are free (dine in only). We do have a Country Store with fresh meat, our homemade apple butter, home baked goods and crafts.

LADIES' BUNCO NIGHT:

Immanuel Lutheran Church in Waterloo invites all Ladies to their Ladies' Bunco Night on **Tuesday, October 27th** at 6:30 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m. with fellowship and refreshments. Entrance is \$2 per person OR 2 or more non-perishable food items for the Bi-Country Backpack Program (no glass jars or bottles). Any questions, please call 618-939-6480.

TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL FALL FESTIVAL:

Trinity Lutheran School invites you to their Fall Festival on **Friday, October 30th** from 5-8 p.m. The Fall Festival will feature a bounce house, barrel train, crafts, games, prizes, pumpkin painting, hot dogs, chili, and plenty of fall fun for the kids. The event is open to the public, and we hope it will be a wonderful evening for the entire community. We hope to see you there!

WURSTMART DINNER:

Our annual Wurstmarkt will be on **Sunday, November 8th**, benefiting the St. John's Lutheran Class of 2029. The meal will be \$16 per plate for dine-in or carry-out from 11am-2pm.

IMMANUEL OLIVETTE CRAFT BAZZAR & LUNCHEON:

Where: Immanuel Lutheran Church - [9733 Olive Blvd.](#) (3 mi. East of I-270).

When: **Saturday, November 7**, from 9:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

Why: Fun, fellowship, shopping, and eating!

Featuring handmade gifts, unique ornaments & decorations, yard decorations, paintings, and other practical & useful gifts. Also bakery items, jams & jellies, and an abundance of "Grandma's Attic" treasures to choose from.

Lunch buffet served from 10:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Homemade soups, sandwiches, salad, desserts and beverages.

SCHOOL CHAPEL SERVICES:

Wednesday morning chapel services will be held at 8:30am for 3-8 grades. Early childhood services for Daycare-2nd grade will be held on Friday mornings at 8:30am. Services will be typically held at church, weather permitting. Otherwise, services will be held in the school's new gym. If location changes, this will be communicated via Facebook and Remind for both chapel groups. Guests are welcome to attend!

SCHOOL CHAPEL OFFERINGS:

During the month of October, chapel offerings will benefit Unity Lutheran School in East St. Louis. The mission of Unity is to offer a quality, Christ-centered education in a safe school community while helping each child reach his or her greatest potential and prepare for a Christ-like adult life. Please consider sending in a donation to support this wonderful cause.

VOLUNTEERS FOR WORSHIP GREETERS:

We need a couple or two individuals to serve as greeters on the 1st and/or the 3rd Saturday services. The only requirements, expectations, and duties are to stand for about 15 minutes, smile and greet people as they enter the church. If interested in either one of those two options or both, please contact the office.

VOLUNTEERS FOR CHURCH OPEN/CLOSERS:

Have you been looking for a way to serve our church family? Consider becoming a part of our new team of volunteers who help prepare our building for our weekly worship services. This is a great opportunity for those who have a heart for service and prefer to work behind the scenes. Typical duties include: Unlocking doors and turning on lights, Adjusting heating and cooling, Updating hymn boards, Refilling candles, & Ensuring the building is securely closed after the service. No experience is necessary (training will be provided), and you would be scheduled on a rotating basis so the commitment is minimal. Your help will ensure a warm and welcoming environment for everyone who enters. If you are potentially interested, please add your name to our list by contacting our church office at 618-282-3873 or by sending an email to office@stjohnsredbud.org. This is for information sharing purposes only and does not commit you to serving. We will simply use this list to gauge interest and provide more details on the responsibilities and rotation schedule, so you can decide if it's the right fit for you. Thank you for your consideration.

CHRISTMAS DECORATING – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

We will be decorating the church for Christmas on **Friday, November 27th**, beginning at noon. Volunteers are welcome to help us set-up! This marks the end of the Buchs and Meiers' three-year term leading the Christmas decorating, and we are looking for 1–2 families to take this over beginning next year. We would love for those interested to shadow us during this year's setup and take-down so you can see how everything comes together and help make the transition smooth for next year. If you are interested or would like more information, please reach out to Kourtney at [618-792-9686](tel:618-792-9686).

GIVING WALL EXPANSION:

Dear Church and School Families, we are excited to invite you to join the donors' wall in the New Gym Lobby. Each tile is a six-inch stainless-steel square that can be engraved with a message. The cost to add a tile to the wall is a \$500 donation. To order, please scan the QR code with your smartphone or tablet camera app or use this link: <https://forms.gle/6jDpHh2PktcAfLq28>. Once we have a specific number of orders, we will then start the process of collecting the message that you would like engraved on your tile. **The deadline for tile orders is 12/31/26.**



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Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher/Liturgist: Rev. Mark Winkelman

Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak (8 a.m.) Lector: DCE Bill Becker

Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Grayden Schloemann; (8 a.m.) Henry Schnepel

Greeters: (5 p.m.) Virginia & Mark Moeller; (8 a.m.) Clyde & Kathy Rowold

Video: Eric Fritsche/Justin Palm

Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr

Flower Servers: Jamie Korando

Paraments: Ella Hemmer