

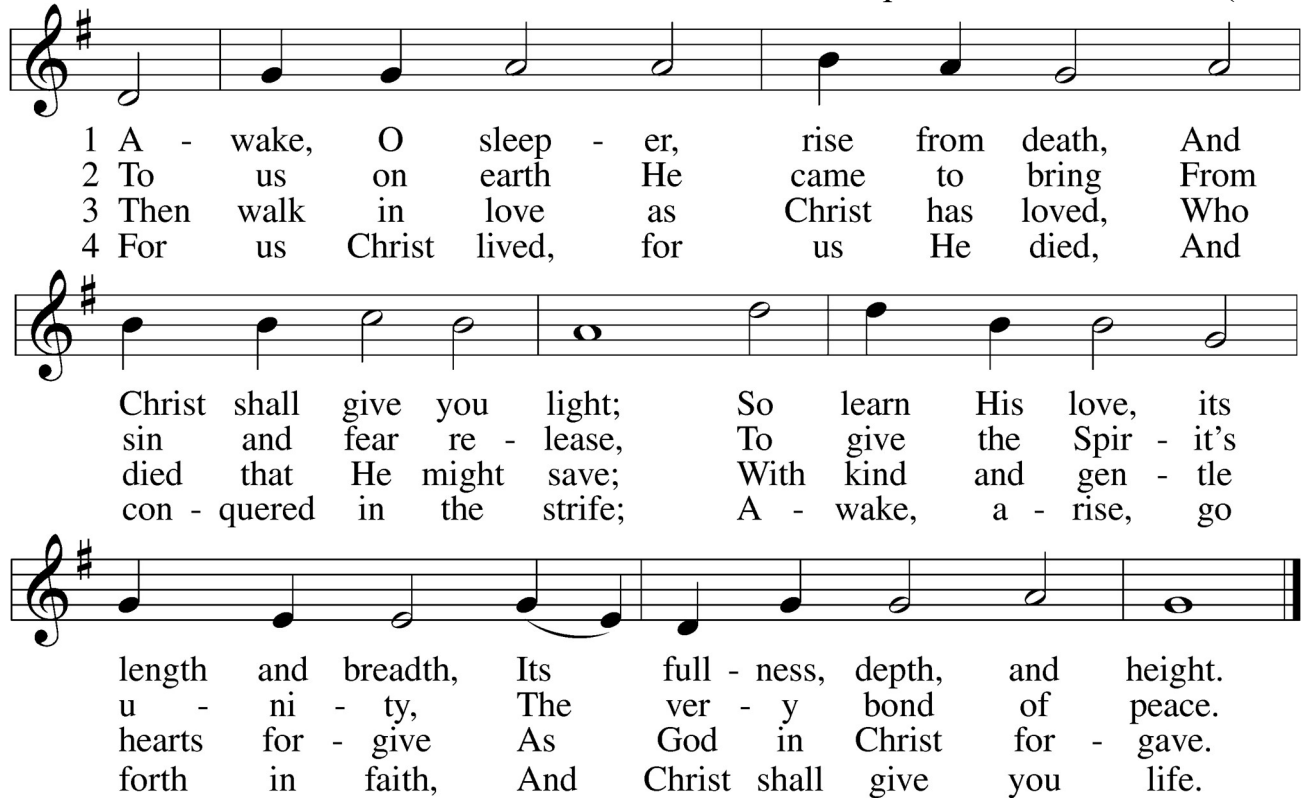
PRELUDE: "Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death"

arranged by Kenneth T. Kosche

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN:

"Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death" (LSB 697)



1 A - wake, O sleep - er, rise from death, And
2 To us on earth He came to bring From
3 Then walk in love as Christ has loved, Who
4 For us Christ lived, for us He died, And
Christ shall give you light; So learn His love, its
sin and fear re - lease, To give the Spir - it's
died that He might save; With kind and gen - tle
con - quered in the strife; A - wake, a - rise, go
length and breadth, Its full - ness, depth, and height.
u - ni - ty, The ver - y bond of peace.
hearts for - give As God in Christ for - gave.
forth in faith, And Christ shall give you life.

THE RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM: (10:30 a.m.)

(LSB 268)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

(LSB 151)

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

C: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES:

P: Dearest Lord Jesus, you have told us that you came into this world not to be served but to serve.

C: In your service dear Lord we were granted forgiveness, peace and hope.

P: You dear Lord are the One whom we now serve.

C: We serve you in thought, word and deed.

P: Dear Lord, bless us in our service to you.

C: Lead and guide us dear Lord in all our acts of service.

P: Dear Lord, you tell us whatever we have done unto the least of these your brothers and sisters.

C: we have done unto you.

P: Bless us dear Lord in our doing.

C: that it would be done unto you and your kingdom.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

(LSB 151)

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.**

KYRIE:

(LSB 152-153)

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.**

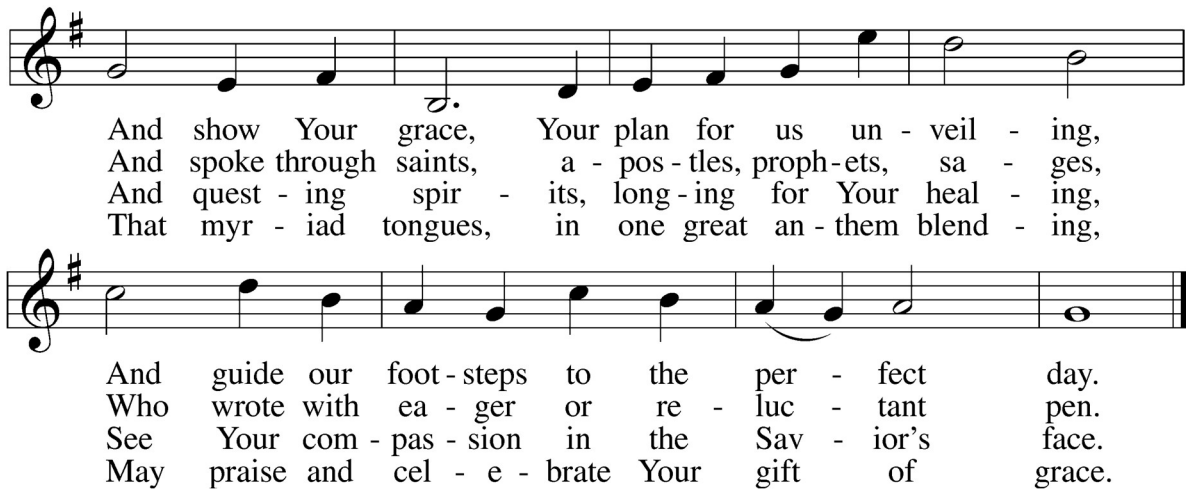
P: Let us pray. Almighty and gracious God, You want all to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. Magnify the power of the Gospel in the hearts of Your faithful people that Your Church may spread the good news of salvation. Protect, encourage, and bless all missionaries who proclaim the saving cross that Christ, being lifted up, may draw all people to Himself, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.** *(please be seated)*

ANTHEM: *(8 a.m.) "O God of Light"*

Choir (LSB 836)

1 O God of light, Your Word, a lamp un - fail - ing,
2 From days of old, through blind and will - ful a - ges,
3 Un - dimmed by time, those words are still re - veal - ing
4 To all the world Your sum - mons You are send - ing,
Shall pierce the dark - ness of our earth - bound way
Though we re - belled, You gent - ly sought a - gain
To sin - ful hearts, Your jus - tice and Your grace;
Through all the earth, to ev - 'ry land and race,



And show Your grace, Your plan for us un - veil - ing,
And spoke through saints, a - pos - tles, proph - ets, sa - ges,
And quest - ing spir - its, long - ing for Your heal - ing,
That myr - iad tongues, in one great an - them blend - ing,
And guide our foot - steps to the per - fect day.
Who wrote with ea - ger or re - luc - tant pen.
See Your com - pas - sion in the Sav - ior's face.
May praise and cel - e - brate Your gift of grace.

OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Proverbs 11:10–30

P: ¹⁰When it goes well with the righteous, the city rejoices, and when the wicked perish there are shouts of gladness. ¹¹By the blessing of the upright a city is exalted, but by the mouth of the wicked it is overthrown. ¹²Whoever belittles his neighbor lacks sense, but a man of understanding remains silent. ¹³Whoever goes about slandering reveals secrets, but he who is trustworthy in spirit keeps a thing covered. ¹⁴Where there is no guidance, a people falls, but in an abundance of counselors there is safety. ¹⁵Whoever puts up security for a stranger will surely suffer harm, but he who hates striking hands in pledge is secure. ¹⁶A gracious woman gets honor, and violent men get riches. ¹⁷A man who is kind benefits himself, but a cruel man hurts himself. ¹⁸The wicked earns deceptive wages, but one who sows righteousness gets a sure reward. ¹⁹Whoever is steadfast in righteousness will live, but he who pursues evil will die. ²⁰Those of crooked heart are an abomination to the Lord, but those of blameless ways are his delight. ²¹Be assured, an evil person will not go unpunished, but the offspring of the righteous will be delivered. ²²Like a gold ring in a pig's snout is a beautiful woman without discretion. ²³The desire of the righteous ends only in good; the expectation of the wicked in wrath. ²⁴One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want. ²⁵Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered. ²⁶The people curse him who holds back grain, but a blessing is on the head of him who sells it. ²⁷Whoever diligently seeks good seeks favor, but evil comes to him who searches for it. ²⁸Whoever trusts in his riches will fall, but the righteous will flourish like a green leaf. ²⁹Whoever troubles his own household will inherit the wind, and the fool will be servant to the wise of heart. ³⁰The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life, and whoever captures souls is wise.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM:

Psalms 100

P: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

C: Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

P: Know that the Lord, he is God!

C: It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

P: Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

C: and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

P: For the Lord is good;

C: his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

EPISTLE:*1 Peter 4:1–12*

P: ¹Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves with the same way of thinking, for whoever has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin, ²so as to live for the rest of the time in the flesh no longer for human passions but for the will of God. ³The time that is past suffices for doing what the Gentiles want to do, living in sensuality, passions, drunkenness, orgies, drinking parties, and lawless idolatry. ⁴With respect to this they are surprised when you do not join them in the same flood of debauchery, and they malign you; ⁵but they will give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead. ⁶For this is why the gospel was preached even to those who are dead, that though judged in the flesh the way people are, they might live in the spirit the way God does. ⁷The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. ⁸Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. ⁹Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. ¹⁰As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: ¹¹whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ¹²Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you.

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 5:10–20*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 5th chapter. **C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹⁰“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you. ¹³“You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet. ¹⁴“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. ¹⁷“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. ¹⁸For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is

accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

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

(10:30 a.m.) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG:**

"Make Me a Servant"

Verse: Make me a servant, humble and meek, Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.
And may the pray'r of my heart always be: Make me a servant, make me a servant,
Make me a servant today. *(sing verse twice)*

(10:30 a.m.) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

HYMN OF THE DAY:

"Jesus, Greatest at the Table" (LSB 446)



1 Je - sus, great - est at the ta - ble, The al -
2 Mar - vel how their Lord and teach - er Gent - ly
3 Je - sus took the role of ser - vant When up -
4 Can we fath - om such deep mer - cy? Do we
5 Je - sus gave to His dis - ci - ples A com -
might - y Son of Man, Laid a - side His out - er cloth - ing,
taught them not to vie As He hum - bly knelt be - fore them,
on that grue - some span, For all hu - man sin He suf - fered
see what God has done? Who can grasp this great re - ver - sal:
mand - ment that was new: "Show My love to one an - oth - er,
Poured some wa - ter in a pan; As the Twelve lay,
Dust - y feet to wash and dry, By His ten - der
As a vile and loath - some man; On the cross poured
Love that gives His on - ly Son? Christ, the sin - less
Do as I have done for you; All the world will
hushed in si - lence, He the ser - vant's task be - gan.
touch ex - press - ing True com - pas - sion from on high.
out like wa - ter To ful - fill the Fa - ther's plan.
for the sin - ners, For the man - y dies the One.
know you love Me As you love each oth - er too."

SERMON

OFFERTORY:

(LSB 159-160)



C 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.

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH:

(5 p.m. & 8 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.

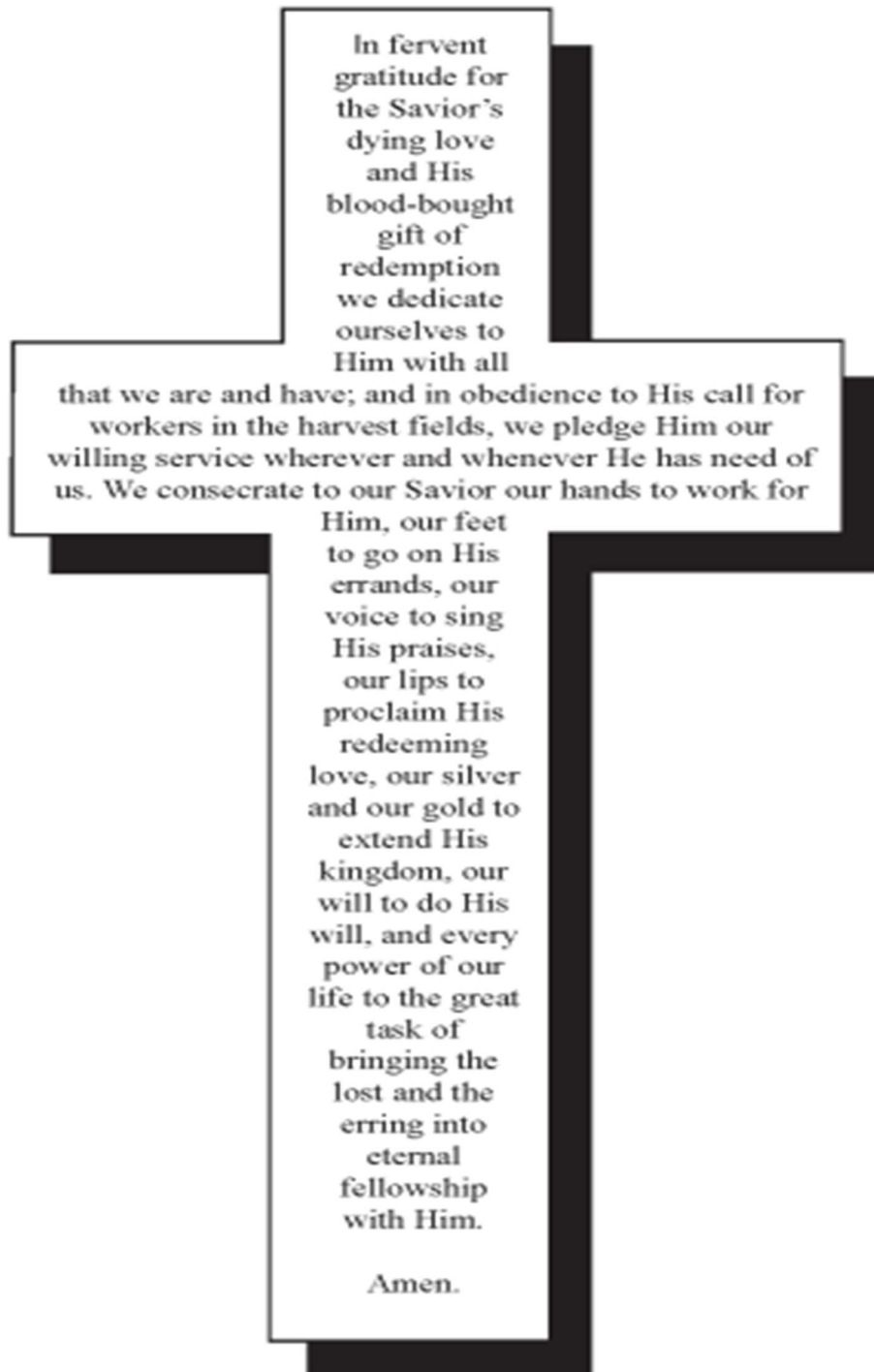
(10:30 a.m.) Apostles' Creed

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.

(please be seated) LWML Pledge: (We ask all LWML members to remain standing for pledge)



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, 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, Gerald Hitzemann, Rev. Russell Koen, Andrea Kuehner, Tyson Moonier, Ted Stellhorn, Matthew Vallett, Amy Winkelman, Roger Womack.

✠ for Stuart & Nancy Langrehr’s 45th wedding anniversary on October 3rd

✠ for Weller Lloyd Gassett, son of Cole & Tiffany (nee Henry) Gassett, as he comes to the waters of Holy Baptism on Sunday, October 4th

✠ wedding of Tim Weaver and Megan Rohlfing on Saturday, October 10th

✠ for Rev. Nowak & family for accepting his call to Good Shepherd in Frankfort, IL

✠ God’s guidance through our pastoral vacancy

The 10:30 a.m. service continues with the Lord’s Prayer, and a Closing Prayer.

(5 p.m. & 8 a.m.) **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:

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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 -



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."

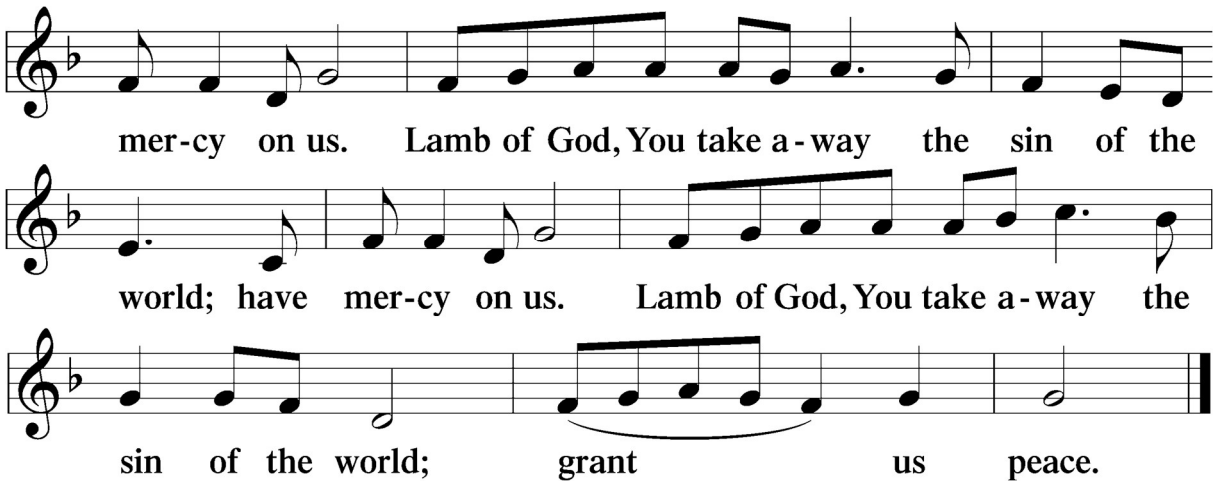
P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A-men.

AGNUS DEI:

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DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: (*please be seated*)

(8 a.m.) **Anthem: "I Am the True Vine"** Choir

1. I am the True Vine from above and you My branches green;
Abide in Me and in My love, good fruit shall then be seen.
Apart from Me no good thing comes, but in Me blossoms spring.
2. My Father's love cares for each branch, the goal a fruitful vine.
The barren branch He pares away, each fruiting branch trims clean.
Dwell in My Word and in My love and you'll be always Mine.
3. Jesus, I pray You, live in me so I may live in You.
Your Spirit give that patiently, my Father's will I'll do;
And bearing fruit that will endure, may Your disciple prove.
4. Help me to joy in things above, help me desire Your ways,
That I may bear the fruit that lasts and glory give and praise,
To Father, Son, and Spirit, one, now and for all my days. Amen.

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" (*LSB 700*)





hum - ble dwell - ing, All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.
Thee in - her - it; Let us find Thy prom - ised rest.
turn, and nev - er, Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave.
great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee,



Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure, un -
Take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha
Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve Thee
Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in



bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with
and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as
as Thy hosts a - bove, Pray and praise Thee
heav'n we take our place, Till we cast our



Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
its be - gin - ning, Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in Thy per - fect love.
crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise!

“You Are the Way; through You Alone” (LSB 526)



1 You are the way; through You a - lone Can
2 You are the truth; Your Word a - lone True
3 You are the life; the emp - ty tomb Pro -
4 You are the way, the truth, the life; Grant

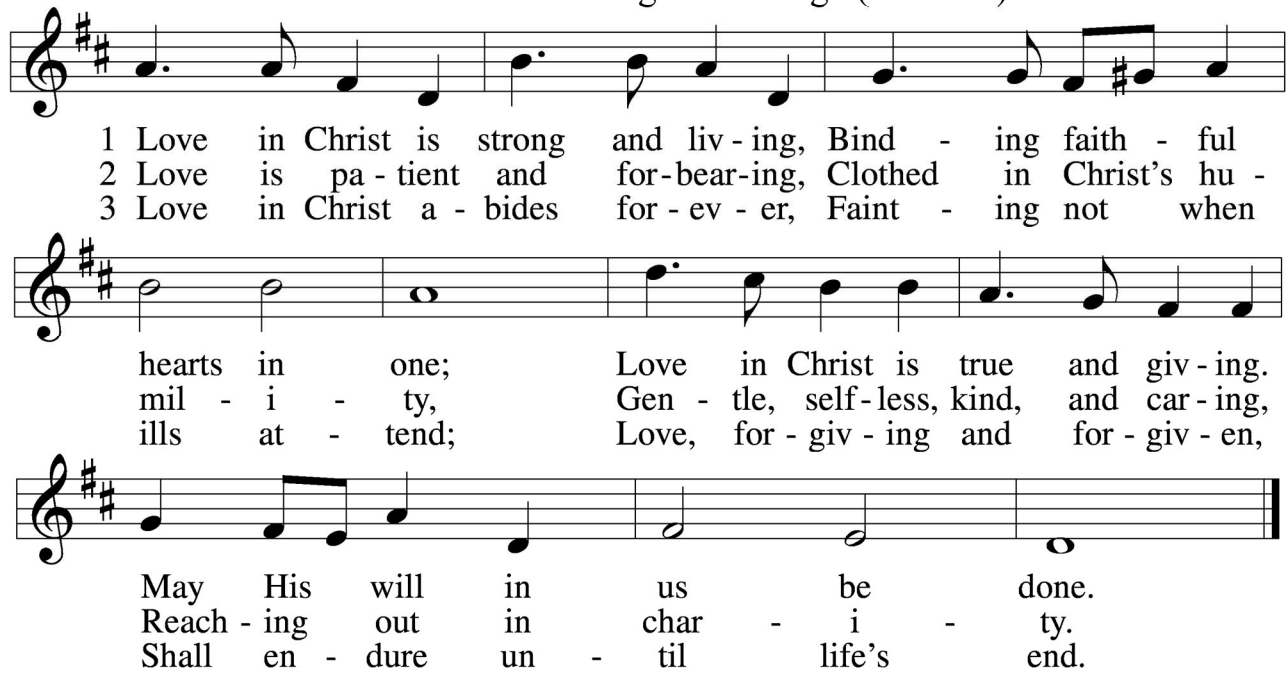


we the Fa - ther find; In You, O Christ, has
wis - dom can im - part; You on - ly can in -
claims Your con - qu'ring arm, And those who put their
us that way to know, That truth to keep, that



God re - vealed His heart and will and mind.
form the mind And pu - ri - fy the heart.
trust in You Not death nor hell shall harm.
life to win Whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

“Love in Christ is Strong and Living” (*LSB* 706)



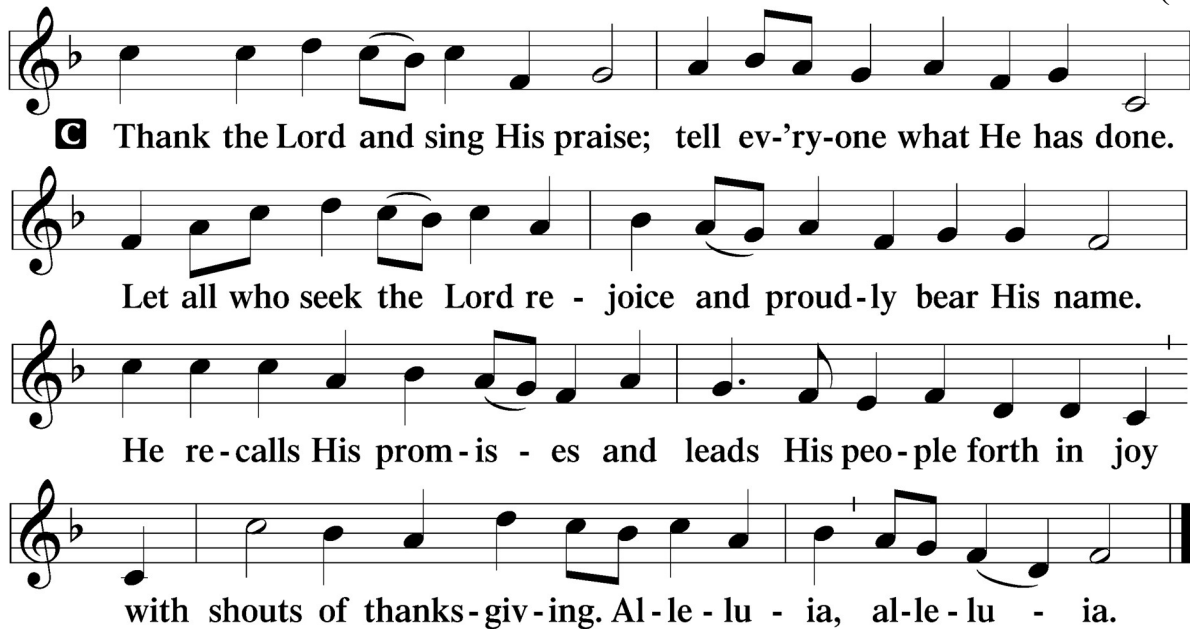
1 Love in Christ is strong and liv - ing, Bind - ing faith - ful
 2 Love is pa - tient and for - bear - ing, Clothed in Christ's hu -
 3 Love in Christ a - bides for - ev - er, Faint - ing not when

hearts in one; Love in Christ is true and giv - ing.
 mil - i - ty, Gen - tle, self - less, kind, and car - ing,
 ills at - tend; Love, for - giv - ing and for - giv - en,

May His will in us be done.
 Reach - ing out in char - i - ty.
 Shall en - dure un - til life's end.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE:

“Thank the Lord” (*LSB* 164)



C 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.

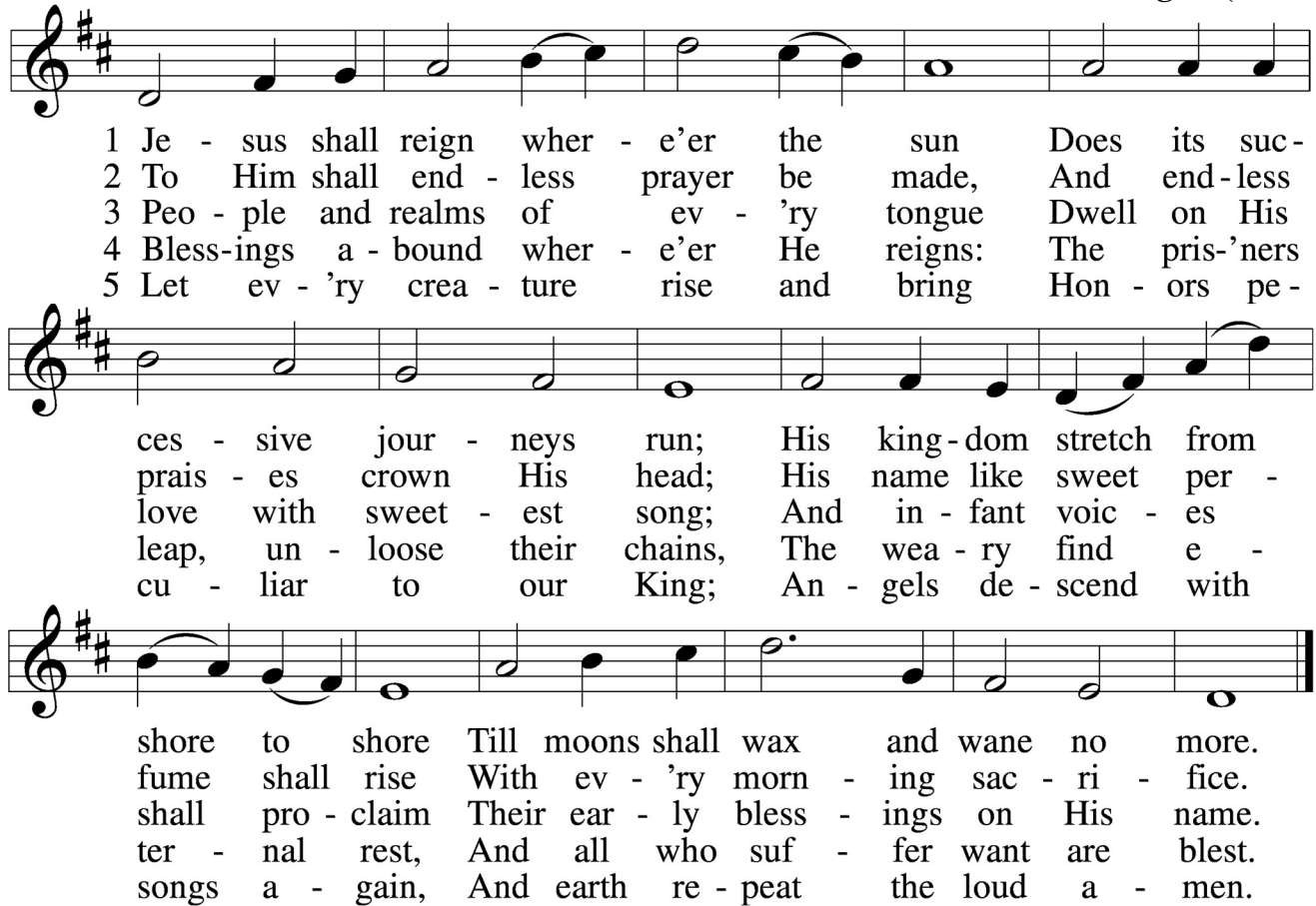
BENEDICTION:

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:

“Jesus Shall Reign” (LSB 832)



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun Does its suc -
2 To Him shall end - less prayer be made, And end - less
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue Dwell on His
4 Bless-ings a - bound wher - e'er He reigns: The pris-'ners
5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring Hon - ors pe -
ces - sive jour - neys run; His king - dom stretch from
prais - es crown His head; His name like sweet per -
love with sweet - est song; And in - fant voic - es
leap, un - loose their chains, The wea - ry find e -
cu - liar to our King; An - gels de - scend with
shore to shore Till moons shall wax and wane no more.
fume shall rise With ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
shall pro - claim Their ear - ly bless - ings on His name.
ter - nal rest, And all who suf - fer want are blest.
songs a - gain, And earth re - peat the loud a - men.

POSTLUDE: “Shades Mountain”

arranged by John Eggert

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This Week with Our Lord, October 4-11, 2026

SUNDAY, October 4- LWML Sunday

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

10:15 a.m.-?? Benefit BBQ for Whelan Medical Expenses

Monday, October 5- Pastor Mark at SID Pastor's Conference

7:00 p.m. Adult Choir practice

7:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting

Tuesday, October 6- Pastor Mark at SID Pastor's Conference

Fall Picture Day at School

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

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

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

Wednesday, October 7-

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 8-

RBAA Cross Country Meet
6:00 p.m. Bell Choir Practice
7:00 p.m. Elder's Meeting

Friday, October 9- *No School & No Before/After School Care*

SID/CID Teacher's Conference

Saturday, October 10-

5:00 p.m. Divine Service; Acolyte – *Volunteer Needed*

SUNDAY, October 11-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service; Acolyte – Jack Valentine
9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class & Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte – Lucy Kuehn

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:

September 26-27: Worship: 337; Communion: 100; Adult Bible Classes: 37; Sun. School: 46
September 29-30: Women's Bible Study: 17; Bible Recap: 20; Worship: 46; Communion: 28

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

We join together in the grace of giving. 9/27/26- General: \$77,172.18; School: \$410.00.

VOTERS' MEETING:

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

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.

HOLY BAPTISM:

We welcome Weller Lloyd Gassett into the Body of Christ through the water and word of Holy Baptism in the later Sunday service. He is the son of Cole & Tiffany (Henry) Gassett. His baptismal sponsors are Tyler & Megan Henry, and Austin & Lauren Menning. Thanks be to God for His gift of new and eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

LCMS MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE:

Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it. (Proverbs 22:6)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

10/4- Loretta Buss, Thomas Voges, Makenzie Liefer, Olive Westcott; **10/5-** David Guebert, Curtis Winkelman, Dawn Seibold, Darcy Muench; **10/6-** Jeremy Walker, Nicholas VanEck, Kellye Mounts, Casey Carnahan; **10/8-** Carol Stoll, Adam Guebert, Startina Heller, Felix Aubuchon; **10/9-** Bart Miller, Matthew Burmester; **10/10-** Charles LaChance, Bryce Donjon.

EPISTLES:

Paper copies of the October 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 November Epistle, please send an email to the office by **October 23!***

WHELAN BENEFIT BBQ:

A benefit BBQ to support Nancy Whelan & Family will be held on **Sunday, October 4th** in the school parking lot beginning at 10:15am-Sold Out.

PORK SAUSAGE DINNER:

On **Sunday, October 4, 2026**, Trinity Lutheran School will be hosting its 2nd Pork Sausage Dinner. Serving: Grilled pork sausage, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, white gravy, green beans, applesauce, drinks, and homemade desserts! Time: 11:00 am to 1:30 pm. Cost: \$15.00 for adults; \$10.00 for children 5-10; children 4 and under are free. Carry outs are available. Please plan to bring your family, relatives, and friends!

PASTOR APPRECIATION DAY: *All Are Invited to Celebrate Pastor Mark!*

Please join in showing our appreciation to Pastor for the blessing he has been to our congregation. The event will take place on October 18th in the Shoe Factory Room at Lieferbrau starting at noon and continuing until three pm. A cake will be provided as well as the meat and potatoes, but we do ask each family attending to please bring a side dish for the event. Drinks will be each individual's responsibility. Please RSVP to the school office by October 13th, we hope to see you there! Contact: office@stjohnsredbud.org or 282-3873.

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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PERFECT ATTENDANCE:

Perfect Attendance for September- Pre-K3: Brynlee Gramenz, Brooks Liefer, Lily Liefer; Pre-K4: August Guebert, Dallin Liefer, June Russell, Peyton Salger; Kindergarten: Cooper Buch; First Grade: Lillian Guebert, Nolan Liefer, Emmett Schoenbeck; Second Grade: Bennett Buch, Demi Grohmann, Karlyn Meier, Eliza Schrader, Maverick Sicka; Third Grade: Bentley Valentine; Fourth Grade: Madalynn Gulley, Kolton Meier; Fifth Grade: Kayden Sicka; Sixth Grade: Jack Valentine; Seventh Grade: Aliviah Gulley, Henry Schnepel. Thank you for your participation and your dedication to our Sunday School ministry!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – 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.

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.

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.



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.

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Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher/Liturgist: (Sunday) Rev. Mark Winkelman; (*Saturday*) Rev. Daniel Ostlund

Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Blake Horrell; (8 a.m.) Sydney Krick; (10:30 a.m.) Brody Rahn

Greeters: (5 p.m.) ***Volunteers Needed***; (8 a.m.) Kalin & Kathy Liefer

(10:30 a.m.) Ron & Donna Burgdorf

Video: Eric Fritsche/Justin Palm

Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr

Flower Servers: Jamie Korando

Paraments: Ella Hemmer