

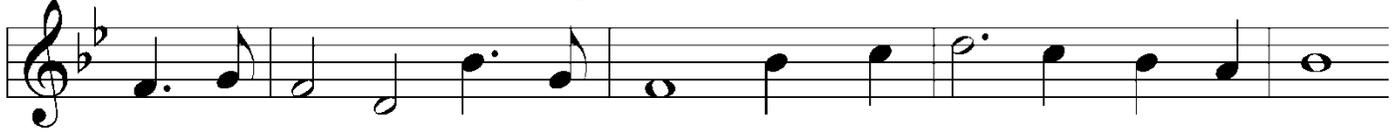
THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
September 3-4, 2022

St. John's Lutheran Church
Red Bud, Illinois

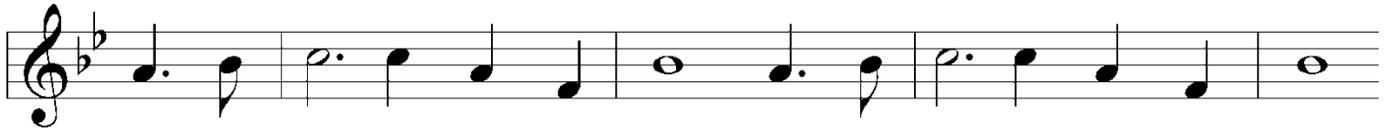
PRELUDE: "Basse et dessus de Trompette" by Louis Nicolas Clerambault

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN: 761 "Rock of Ages"



1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee;
 2 Not the la - bors of my hands Can ful - fill Thy Law's de - mands;
 3 Noth - ing in my hand I bring; Sim - ply to Thy cross I cling.
 4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, When mine eye - lids close in death,



Let the wa - ter and the blood, From Thy riv - en side which flowed,
 Could my zeal no res - pite know, Could my tears for - ev - er flow,
 Na - ked, come to Thee for dress; Help - less, look to Thee for grace;
 When I soar to worlds un - known, See Thee on Thy judg - ment throne,



Be of sin the dou - ble cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
 All for sin could not a - tone; Thou must save, and Thou a - lone.
 Foul, I to the foun - tain fly; Wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee.

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Divine Service Three, page 184ff.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION: pages 184-185

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 for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

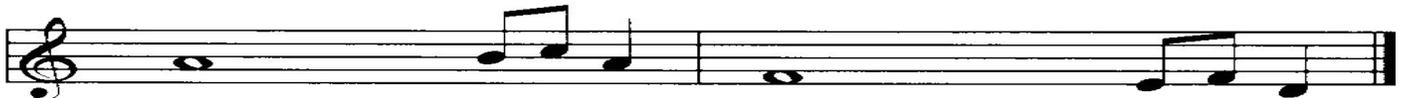
P O almighty God, merciful Father,

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 119:27-32



**Make me understand Your | pre-cepts, and I will meditate on Your | won-drous works.
My soul melts away for | sor-row; strengthen me according | to Your word!
Put false ways | far from me and graciously teach | me Your law!
I have chosen the way of | faith-ful-ness; I set Your just decrees be- | fore me.
I cling to Your testimonies, | O LORD; let me not be | put to shame!
I will run in the way of Your com- | mand-ments when You en- | large my heart!
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son and to the Holy | Spir-it;
as it was in the be- | gin-ning, is now, and will be forever. | A-men.
Make me understand Your | pre-cepts, and I will meditate on Your | won-drous works.**

KYRIE: (sung)

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

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS: pages 187-189

P: Glory be to God on high: C: 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 COLLECT OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you. **C:** *(sung)* **And with thy spirit.** P: Let us pray.

C: O merciful Lord, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for us all. Grant us courage and strength to take up the cross and follow Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(please be seated)

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:**Deuteronomy 30:15–20**

“See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in His ways, and by keeping His commandments and His statutes and His just decrees, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess.

I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore, choose life, that you and your offspring may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying His voice and holding fast to Him, for He is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL:

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.

THE EPISTLE READING:**Philemon 1–21**

Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our beloved fellow worker and Apphia our sister and Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and all the saints, and I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ. For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you. Accordingly, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do what is required, yet for love’s sake I prefer to appeal to you—I, Paul, an old man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus—I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment.

(Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me.) I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart.

I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel, but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own free will. For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, as a beloved brother—especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me. If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(please stand if able) **ALLELUIA:** page 190 *(sung)* **Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL:

Luke 14:25-35

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

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

Now great crowds accompanied Jesus, and He turned and said to them, “If anyone comes to Me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be My disciple. Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple. For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, saying, ‘This man began to build and was not able to finish.’

Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be My disciple.

Salt is good, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is of no use either for the soil or for the manure pile. It is thrown away. He who has ears to hear, let him hear.” P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C: *(sung)* Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: Creed

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) **The Nicene Creed: page 191**

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. (*please be seated*)

(10:30 a.m.) The Apostles' Creed: page 192

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*)

(10:30 a.m.) CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG: (LSB 677)

For all the saints who from their labors rest,

Who Thee by faith be-fore the world con-fessed,

Thy name, O Je-sus, be for-ev-er blest. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Oh, may Thy sol-diers, faith-ful, true and bold,

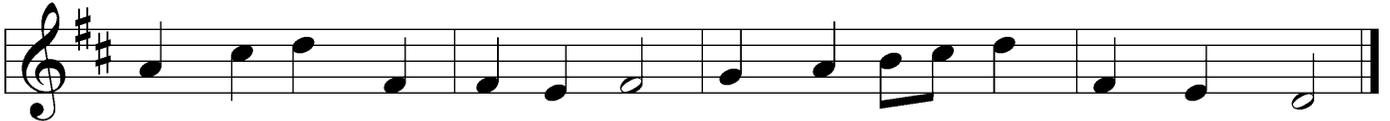
Fight as the saints who no-bly fought of old

And win with them the vic-tor's crown of gold! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

HYMN OF THE DAY: 783 "Take My Life and Let It Be"



- 1 Take my life and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee;
 2 Take my hands and let them move At the im - pulse of Thy love;
 3 Take my voice and let me sing Al-ways, on - ly for my King;
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with - hold;



Take my mo - ments and my days, Let them flow in cease-less praise.
 Take my feet and let them be Swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.
 Take my lips and let them be Filled with mes - sag - es from Thee.
 Take my in - tel - lect and use Ev - 'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

- 5 Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine;
 Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store;
 Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee. Public domain

SERMON: (*Saturday*) "What's the Cost?" Luke 14:25-35

(*Sunday*) "Jesus Gives Us Rest From Our Labors" Revelation 14:13

And I heard a voice from heaven saying, "Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Blessed indeed," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them."

(*please stand if you are able*) **OFFERTORY:** pages 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 from me.

**Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-tion,
 and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

HEALING AND COMFORT: Evelyn Muench, Lois Fuhrhop, Kathryn Chunn, Barb Ladwig, Gloria Stellhorn, David Blankenship, Ellery Byer, Elroy Stellhorn, Peggy Guebert, Roger Hanebutt, John Kellerhouse, Ruth Hecht, Wil Krick, Cindy Stellhorn, Rick Horrell, Ken Williams, Sherry Winkelmann, Susie Harms, Marcy Watters, Paul Mollett, Zac Carnahan;
Family/Friends of St. John's Members: Susan Sochowski, Ava Kern, Reed Juengling, Ruby Muench, Jim Arrington. *Help us keep this list current!*

MILITARY: *(Please call with names.)* Army- Casey Vallett, Tanner Valleroy, Brandon Voss, Adrienne Vallett, Easton Lucht, Tim Healy, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Austin Scheibe, Trevor Buckner, Jessica DeMarco, Benjamin Boeder, Christopher Dupertius, Garrett Carnahan, Tyler Wahlman, Gavin Roche-Voss; Navy- Carl Muehler; Air Force- Gage Baldwin, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich; Marines-Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Josh Butterworth, Keenan Turnure, Austin Grohmann; National Guard: Jeremiah Brandt

EMERGENCY PERSONNEL: Fire/EMS- Jerre Atchison, Tom Beshoar, Kevin Biffar, Breanna Bingel, Savannah Cowell, Chad Crafton, Steven Falkenhain, Chad Grohmann, Curt Guebert, Jason Guebert, Scot Heller, Blake Koppel, Chad Langrehr, Matt Liefer, Kevin Miller, Alan Piel, Jason Rippelmeyer, Brad Stechmesser, John Valentine, Mike VanDorn, Tanner Winkelman; Police- Abigail Browne, Ralph Sievers, Chris Hewitt, Nick Mounts, Jason Palm, Doug Brennan, Jason Roscow, Aaron Runge.

+God's blessings upon our Christian education ministries

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. O God, our King, You counted the terrible cost of our salvation and sent Your Son to give His life on the cross. Inspire our hearts to trust fully in His sacrificial victory, that we would follow in His way through death and into eternal life. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Divine Shepherd, You give life to Your Church through Your Holy Word. Grant Your people always to walk in Your way and receive Your blessings as they serve You in this world and in the life to come. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, You are our life and length of days, and You set before us Your gift of life in Your Holy Word. Preserve Your institutions of marriage and family. Guard husbands and wives, parents and children, both from despising and from idolizing one another. Instead, let every relationship in the home exemplify Your unconditional love for us in Christ, and grant that all might follow Him in their service to one another. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Good Lord, preserve us from the ways of the wicked, and prosper us in Your paths. We commend to You all who bear governmental office in our land, who serve in our nation's armed forces, and who work as law enforcement agents, emergency responders and healthcare professionals. We ask You to make them a blessing to all those they serve. Grant to us every joy in the calling You have given to us, that we might render service to You in our works of love toward our neighbor. Remember those in need of honest labor and daily bread and give them gainful employment according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, give the strength of the Spirit to all who are suffering or in any kind of need, and especially to those we have been asked to remember, *including* Evelyn, Lois, Kathryn, Barb, Gloria, David, Ellery, Elroy, Peggy, Roger, John, Ruth, Wil, Cindy, Rick, Ken, Sherry, Susie, Marcy, Paul, Zac, Susan, Ava, Reed, Ruby, Jim and all we name in our hearts that they may all have the courage and will to take up their crosses and follow the Savior through suffering into the joys of life everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) Almighty God, You have set before us life and death, blessing and curse in Your Holy Word. Now at the altar, through His own Word, Your Son sets before us His own body and blood. Grant that all who receive the Sacrament today might do so with prepared and penitent hearts, rejoicing in Your gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation for the sake of Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Dear Heavenly Father, You have made us righteous through faith in Jesus Christ. We now have the privilege of bearing witness in Your world to all people. Be with all our students and teachers in our St. John's Sunday School, in our day school, and in our our Lutheran High School, *Christ Our Savior*, that they may learn and grow in you and faithfully share Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy; **hear our prayer.**

Preserve us, O Lord, from all temptation and grant us faith, that we may rest all our prayers and the desires of our hearts in Your merciful arms, for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

The 10:30 a.m. service concludes here.

THE LORD'S PRAYER, CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION:

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray, **Our Father who art in heaven**

P: Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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: (*sung*) **A-men, a-men, a-men.**

CLOSING HYMN: 794 "The Lord, My God, Be Praised" (*sing* "A-men")



1 The Lord, my God, be praised, My light, my life from heav - en;
 2 The Lord, my God, be praised, My trust, my life from heav - en,
 3 The Lord, my God, be praised, My hope, my life from heav - en,
 4 The Lord, my God, be praised, My God, the ev - er - liv - ing,



My mak - er, who to me Has soul and bod - y giv - en;
 The Fa - ther's own dear Son, Whose life for me was giv - en,
 The Spir - it, whom the Son In love to me has giv - en.
 To whom the heav'n - ly host Their laud and praise are giv - ing.



My Fa - ther, who will shield And keep me day by day
 Who for my sin a - toned With His most pre - cious blood
 His grace re - vives my heart And gives my spir - it pow'r,
 The Lord, my God, be praised, In whose great name I boast,



And make each mo - ment yield New bless - ings on my way.
 And gives to me by faith The high - est heav'n - ly good.
 Help, com - fort, and sup - port In sor - row's gloom - y hour.
 God Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the Ho - ly Ghost.

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THE POSTLUDE: "The Lord, My God, Be Praised" *arranged by Johann F. Kaufmann*

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(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT:** page 194ff.

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 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 that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant,

becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying: (*sung*)

C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Pastor prays the prayer; congregation sings the Doxology*)

...For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glor-ry for-ev-er and ev-er. **A-men.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD AND THE PAX DOMINI

P: ...The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: (*sung*) A-men.**

AGNUS DEI (*sung*)

C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. **Amen.** (*please be seated*)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

708 "Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart"



1 Lord, Thee I love with all my heart; I pray Thee, ne'er from
 2 Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich boun-ty gave My bod - y, soul, and
 3 Lord, let at last Thine an - gels come, To A - br'ham's bos - om



me de - part, With ten - der mer - cy cheer me. Earth
 all I have In this poor life of la - bor. Lord,
 bear me home, That I may die un - fear - ing; And



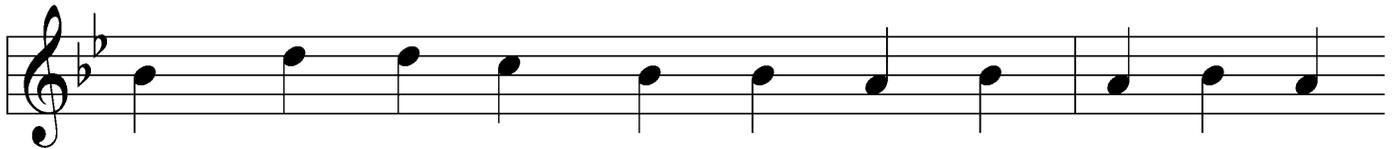
has no plea - sure I would share. Yea, heav'n it - self were
 grant that I in ev - 'ry place May glo - ri - fy Thy
 in its nar - row cham - ber keep My bod - y safe in



void and bare If Thou, Lord, wert not near me. And should my
lav - ish grace And help and serve my neigh - bor. Let no false
peace-ful sleep Un - til Thy re - ap - pear - ing. And then from



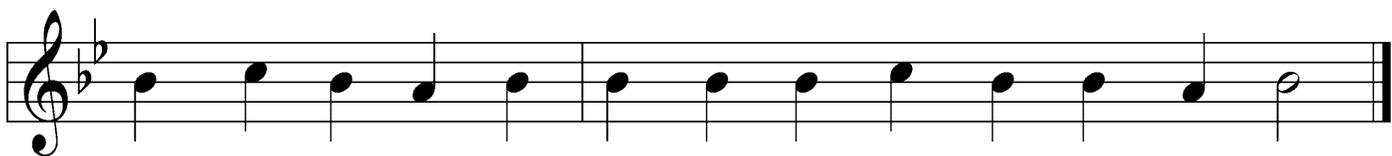
heart for sor - row break, My trust in Thee can noth - ing shake.
doc - trine me be - guile; Let Sa - tan not my soul de - file.
death a - wak - en me, That these mine eyes with joy may see,



Thou art the por - tion I have sought; Thy pre - cious
Give strength and pa - tience un - to me To bear my
O Son of God, Thy glo - rious face, My Sav - ior



blood my soul has bought. Lord Je - sus Christ, my God and
cross and fol - low Thee. Lord Je - sus Christ, my God and
and my fount of grace. Lord Je - sus Christ, my prayer at -



Lord, my God and Lord, For - sake me not! I trust Thy Word.
Lord, my God and Lord, In death Thy com - fort still af - ford.
tend, my prayer at - tend, And I will praise Thee with - out end.

Distribution Hymn: 627 “Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior”



1 Je - sus Christ, our bless - ed Sav - ior, Turned a - way God's
 2 As His pledge of love un - dy - ing, He, this pre - cious
 3 Je - sus here Him - self is shar - ing; Heed then how you
 4 Praise the Fa - ther, who from heav - en To His own this



wrath for - ev - er; By His bit - ter grief and woe
 food sup - ply - ing, Gives His bod - y with the bread,
 are pre - par - ing, For if you do not be - lieve,
 food has giv - en, Who, to mend what we have done,



He saved us from the e - vil foe.
 And with the wine the blood He shed.
 His judg - ment then you shall re - ceive.
 Gave in - to death His on - ly Son.

- 5 Firmly hold with faith unshaken That this food is to be taken
 By the sick who are distressed, By hearts that long for peace and rest.
- 6 Agony and bitter labor Were the cost of God's high favor;
 Do not come if you suppose You need not Him who died and rose.
- 7 Christ says: "Come, all you that labor, And receive My grace and favor:
 Those who feel no pain or ill Need no physician's help or skill.
- 8 "For what purpose was My dying If not for your justifying?
 And what use this precious food If you yourself were pure and good?"
- 9 If your heart this truth professes And your mouth your sin confesses,
 You will be your Savior's guest, Be at His banquet truly blest.
- 10 Let this food your faith so nourish That its fruit of love may flourish
 And your neighbor learn from you How much God's wondrous love can do.

*May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you faithful to life everlasting. God
In His Peace AMEN!*

Please stand if you are able **NUNC DIMITTIS:** “Song of Simeon” pages 199-200 (*sung*)
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 before the face of all people, a light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the glo-ry of Thy peo-ple Is-ra-el. Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

THANKSGIVING

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, **C** (*sung*) **and His mercy endureth for-ev-er.**
A 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** (*sung*) **Amen.**

SALUTATION, BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

P The Lord be with you. **C** (*sung*) **And with thy spir-it.**

P Bless we the Lord. **C** (*sung*) **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 (*sung*) **A-men, a-men, a-men.**

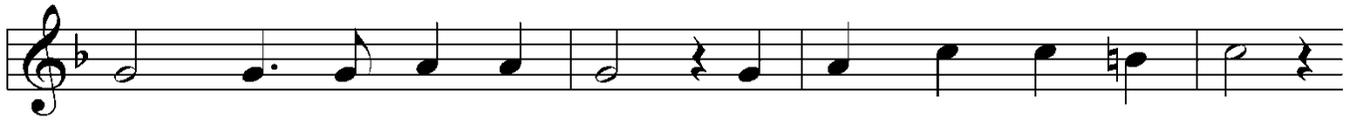
CLOSING HYMN: 794 “The Lord, My God, Be Praised” (*sing “A-men”*)



1 The Lord, my God, be praised, My light, my life from heav - en;
2 The Lord, my God, be praised, My trust, my life from heav - en,
3 The Lord, my God, be praised, My hope, my life from heav - en,
4 The Lord, my God, be praised, My God, the ev - er - liv - ing,



My mak - er, who to me Has soul and bod - y giv - en;
The Fa - ther's own dear Son, Whose life for me was giv - en,
The Spir - it, whom the Son In love to me has giv - en.
To whom the heav'n - ly host Their laud and praise are giv - ing.



My Fa - ther, who will shield And keep me day by day
 Who for my sin a - toned With His most pre - cious blood
 His grace re - vives my heart And gives my spir - it pow'r,
 The Lord, my God, be praised, In whose great name I boast,



And make each mo - ment yield New bless - ings on my way.
 And gives to me by faith The high - est heav'n - ly good.
 Help, com - fort, and sup - port In sor - row's gloom - y hour.
 God Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the Ho - ly Ghost.

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THE POSTLUDE: “The Lord, My God, Be Praised” *arranged by Johann F. Kaufmann*

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This Week With Our Lord, September 4-11, 2022

Sunday, September 4-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

9:30 a.m. Intergenerational Bible Class/Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall

10:30 a.m. Divine Service

Monday, September 5- *Labor Day! No School! Office Closed*

Tuesday, September 6-

10 a.m.-3 p.m. Circuit Pastors' Conference in Marion

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

5:00 p.m. Boys' baseball at home vs. St. James

7:00 p.m. Board of Elders meeting in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, September 7-

8:30 a.m. Upper Grades School Chapel Service at church

9 a.m. to Noon Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

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

3:00 a.m. Office Staff meeting

3:30 p.m. Grades 6-8 Public School Confirmation at school

4:30 to 8:30 p.m. CPR training for school staff (*No Bible class!*)

Thursday, September 8- *Cross Country meet at COSLHS*

7:15 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Matthew)

1:00 p.m. Sight Ministries Center in Baldwin

4:15 p.m. Boys' baseball home vs. St. Mary's/St. John- Chester

6:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice in the church balcony

7:00 p.m. Men's Club Gathering in the Fellowship Hall

7:30 p.m. Board of Parish Education meets in school library

Friday, September 9- *Cross Country meet at Lincoln Park*

8:30 a.m. Lower Grades School Chapel Service at church

7:00 p.m. Boys' baseball vs. Zion-Staunton at Edwardsville

Saturday, Sept. 10- *Boys' B team tourney at PDR; Girls' A team tourney at RBC*

5:00 p.m. Divine Service; Acolyte: Ty Voss

SUNDAY, September 11-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service; Acolyte: Landon Ruebusch

9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. Sunday School and High School Bible Class at school

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte: Loreli Aubuchon

Noon Senior Youth Meal and Meeting in the church basement

OFFERINGS PRESENTED:

While our worship offerings still will be gathered in the plates by the sanctuary doors, an usher will bring those plates forward during the Offertory to be placed on the altar. If you forgot to place your offering in a plate before worship as you entered the sanctuary, you can do so as you leave the sanctuary after worship.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources

Luke 14:33 – “So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be My disciple.” None of what we have is ours. It all belongs to God. That is the foundation of Christian stewardship. What we have been given is to be used for God's purposes according to our callings in home, church, and society. As we learn to leave generously in these callings, we renounce our ownership of our wealth. It's not “ours,” it's His. God owns everything, and we manage for the furtherance of His goals.

FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:

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

THE LUTHERAN HOUR:

Jesus offers a gracious buyout, even as He speaks of counting the cost of following Him. Listen to “Count the Cost” (Luke 14:25-35) with Speaker Dr. Michael Ziegler on KFUE AM 850 Sundays at 12:30 & 5 p.m. or on Bott Christian Radio on Sundays at 8 a.m. on KSIV 1320AM or 91.5FM.

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. *Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective* (James 5:16).

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES:

Calling all students, youth, and adults who sing/play an instrument! I am looking for anyone who is interested in using your gifts of music to enhance our weekend worship services by

providing pre-service music before the worship services begin. I welcome everyone, from beginner to advanced! If you would like to play/sing in a different part of the service, that can be arranged also. If you are interested, please let me know! *Mrs. Lindsey Hudak*

WEEKDAY BIBLE CLASSES IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL:

Wednesday Women (9:30 a.m.) study the New Testament letter of Paul to the Colossians, called "The Mighty and the Mysterious" (by Heidi Goehmann); Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. studies "2nd Kings"; Thursday at 7:15 a.m. studies "Gospel of Matthew"; Saturday Men's Bible Breakfast (September 18) studies "Proverbs: Ancient Wisdom for Modern Living."

CEMETERY WORK:

On Labor Day, September 5, at 9 a.m. work will be done on our cemetery to fill and level graves, seed new grass, remove old flowers in the grass around the tombstones and weed eat. Please remove in advance anything in the grass around the tombstones that you want to keep. Thank you!

SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION:

Sunday, Sept. 4, 9:30 a.m. Intergenerational class in the Fellowship Hall

Our international mission project this year is Bible Books for Families in Ukraine through the Lutheran Heritage Foundation. The Lutheran Heritage Foundation has been translating and printing a wide variety of Bible storybooks as well as the Small Catechism for families in Ukraine. Every \$5 given provides a Ukrainian family with a Bible storybook, Small Catechism, or other Bible resource in their own language! If you are moved to support this awesome opportunity, please direct your offering to the attention of the Sunday School.

CHURCH CUSTODIAL ASSISTANCE NEEDED:

A part-time paid position is available in our church custodian rotation for an average of 8 - 12 hours every 2 weeks. We need someone for Saturday evening service ONLY and/or Sunday morning services. You will be trained and learn what will be needed to be successful. This involves the opening and closing of the building for worship, lighting, setting temperatures, ringing the bell, and light cleaning. See John Preston or Pastor.

DAYCARE POSITION AVAILABLE:

St. John's Lutheran Daycare is seeking loving, enthusiastic and energetic individuals to add to our team. For more information please call Amanda at 618-282-3873 ext. 224 or by email at amandaf@stjohnsredbud.org.

MUM SALE:

The Class of 2024 (7th Grade) is selling mums in various colors for \$9. Pre-orders are due in our office by September 7. Pick-up in our school parking loton Thursday, September 15 from 2:30 to 7 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S GOLF TOURNAMENT:

Our 30th annual golf tournament is Sat., Sept. 17th at 9 a.m. at North County Country Club. This will be a 4-person scramble. Entry fee is \$250/team for golf, cart, and a meal following the tournament. All proceeds will benefit St. John's Lutheran School Athletic Fund. Please contact Quent Stenzel at 618-282-4661 with any questions. Registration and payment are due by September 10th.

LADIES ARE INVITED:

On Tuesday, September 20 at 6:30 p.m. all women of St. John's Lutheran Church are invited to join in the Fellowship Hall for a "Salad Supper" and to hear Joanie Harwell, retired KFUA AM Radio host. You will love Joanie as she shares Christ's love and her unique ideas on how to serve others.

JUNIOR YOUTH:

Our Junior Youth (Grades 4-8) will go to Eckert's Orchard later in September for an outing. We are waiting on a phone call from there to determine a date. More information to come!

SENIOR YOUTH FUNDRAISER:

Our Senior Youth is selling greeting cards (all occasions) for \$1. Cards are on display in the Fellowship Hall. A money box for payment (honor system) is next to the card display. We also have full boxes of greeting cards for sale. They cost \$30 for 30 cards and come with a lovely storage box.

SECRET ANGELS:

Between day school and public school we have a group of 35 8th grade religion/confirmation students this year. Thus, we need a lot of Secret Angel volunteers! Right now we could use six more. You will pray for your student, encourage your student with regular (at least monthly) notes and small gifts, and excite your student with larger gifts on special occasions (e.g., birthday, Christmas, Valentine's Day, etc.) You will be given an information form the student completes (do not contact your student until after you get his/her form). You may choose either boy or girl, day school or public school (based on availability). Please contact Pastor Nebel for more information or to select or be assigned a student.

THANK YOU:

Have you noticed the lighted cross atop the bell tower at school this past week? Thank you to Ken Voges for his inspiration and to our Trustees John Preston and Ken Langrehr for their work on accomplishing this project.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

9/4- John Wiatr, Jordyn Mulherin, Lena Heller; 9/5- Helen Winkelman, Mildred Liefer, Peggy Guebert, Kevin Guebert, Owen Koester, Morgann Grohmann, Claudia Watters; 9/6- Betty Fausz, Lauren Brauer, David Burgdorf, Lucie Heaton; 9/7- Steven Tindall, Corey Ratcliff, Jack Crafton; 9/8- Janel Maes, Stanley Mueth, Lillian Meyer, Case Hess; 9/9- Donna Wetzel, Gerald Hanebutt, Nicholas Guebert; 9/10- Kenneth Booker, Maria Aucoin, Connor Guebert; *Please call our office with corrections!*

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:

Red Bud Care Center: Kenneth Koester, Alice Smith, Gloria Stellhorn, Jody Winkelmann; Ruma R&R: Fern Schnepel; Waterloo Magnolia Terrace: June Lawrence and Jean Menke; Bria-Columbia: David Burgdorf, Ellery Byer; Randolph County Nursing Home: Donald Kueker

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT GARDEN PLACE:

Elaine Guebert, Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Omer/Neva Liefer, Vernon/Evelyn Muench, Lorine Reinhardt, Paul Schrieber, Norma Vogt, Arlin/Helen Winkelman, Carl/Flo Zschiegner

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:

Robert Burgdorf, Kathryn Chunn, Wil Guebert, Don/Betty Fausz, Nancy Holmstrom, Kenneth/Geri Koester, Joyce Lopez, Ed Luttmann, Edna Moeller, Viola Muench, Harold Thies

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

We join together in the grace of giving. 8/28- General: \$22,012; School: \$1,290; Automatic Giving: \$3,870. *Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.* (2nd Corinthians 9:7)

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 428; Communion: 132; Adult/Youth: 48; Sunday School: 68

ATTENTION COFFEE DRINKERS:

We are now part of Community Coffee's program, "Cash for Schools." By clipping the proof of purchase off packages of ground coffee and/or K cups our school earns rewards. You can drop off proof of purchases at the school office. Thank you for participating in this program to benefit our school!

LIFE THOUGHTS: (*from Lutherans for Life*) www.lutheransforlife.org

Conventional wisdom once equated slaves with property instead of people. The Gospel Paul proclaimed in Philemon, about God Incarnate as humankind's slave and becoming our brother, eventually ended the injustice. And will we not delight to declare and show the same sanctity of every human life until abortion and assisted suicide also become obsolete?

WELCOME SEMINARY FIELD EDUCATION STUDENT:

Lucas Frauenhoff, a 1st -year student at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, joins us as a field education student. Originally from Aurora, Illinois, He now lives outside of Madison, Wisconsin. We look forward to getting to know Lucas.

LCMS FOUNDATION:

An entire estate gift plan is a testimony of life lived by faith in Jesus. Sometimes when we engage in the process of putting an estate together, we can get caught up in checking off so many details that we actually forget to pray, think, and discuss our goals and intentions, which are meant to focus on lives of faithful stewardship, caring for family, supporting ministry, and sharing Jesus as Savior with the world. Your estate plan can include a Christian preamble or family blessing with which you state your faith. LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor Scott Radden can help you. Contact him at (618) 977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org for more details.

ELDER ZONES FOR 2022: (Chairman, Eric Fritsche)

Zone 1: D. Adams thru R. Collins- Elder Eric Fritsche (618/410-5989)

Zone 2: S. Conboy thru D/K Grohmann- Elder Larry Gielow (618/830-4689)

Zone 3: N/E Grohmann- R/K Herriman- Elder Jeremy Stellhorn (618/910-9205)

Zone 4: R. Herriman thru T/E Krick- Elder Wil Krick (618/282-3660)

Zone 5: Wil/Martha Krick to Janel Maes- Elder David Reinhardt (618/967-7967)

Zone 6: Pat Malik thru Lanie Pensoneau- Elder Gerald Hanebutt (618/317-4574)

Zone 7: A/A Piel thru Don Schrader- Elder Kalin Liefer (618/792-8277)

Zone 8: J/D Schrader thru B/C Turner- Elder Kevin Guebert (618/973-4356)

Zone 9: D/K Uffelmann - D. Zschiegner- Elder Kirk Liefer (618/559-7950)

LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRIES:

Rev. Jess Bierman, SIU-Edwardsville, Trinity Lutheran Ministries; jbiermann@trinitylutheranministries.org; Rev. Michael Schuermann, Univ. of Illinois, Champaign, University Lutheran Church pastor@uniluchampaign.org or at <https://uniluchampaign.org/referral/>; Rev. Jay Holden & Rev. Peter Weeks: SIU-Carbondale, Our Savior Lutheran Church (lutheran@siu.edu, 618-549-1694). Table Talk, a home-cooked meal and Bible study for college students after worship during the academic year; Joyce Wollenburg, Chapel of Hope (joycewollenburg@hotmail.com), SEMO-Cape Girardeau. Check with Pastor Nebel about Lutheran campus ministries at other universities and colleges so we can keep our young people connected to Word and Sacrament ministry and fellow Lutheran Christians while they are away at school.

KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:

KFUO Radio AM850 & kfuo.org, a media ministry of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you on AM850 & kfuo.org via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. You can find programs on demand at kfuo.org and wherever you get podcasts! Find us on social media @KFUO.org, Facebook, **Twitter**, and **Instagram**. This week on KFUO and kfuo.org: Study Deuteronomy 18-22 on Sharper Iron's "The Law of God is Good and Wise" (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), finish the book of Romans and begin the book of 1 Corinthians on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.), and hear conversations from fellow Lutherans from across our church body on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:00 a.m.). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or on the KFUO Radio app!

DAILY BIBLE READINGS: from Lutheran Bible Translators

Readings for the year are on the tables in the entryway. September 4- Ephesians 3:1-21; September 5- Ephesians 4:1-24; September 6- Ephesians 4:25-5:14; September 7- Ephesians 5:15-33; September 8- Ephesians 6:1-24; September 9- Philippians 1:1-20; September 10: Philippians 1:21-2:11.

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL- 618/853-7300

COS Cross Country will be running September 6 at Marissa at 5:45 p.m.

Save the Date! Our Annual Dinner Auction will be held on Friday, November 4. Donations of auction items and sponsorships are being accepted now. Invitations will be mailed soon. If you are interested in helping with the planning process, please contact the school. We would love to have you!

Sponsor a Thrivent Action Team: If you would like to organize or participate in a Thrivent Action Team to benefit *COS*, please call us to let us know what you would like to do. We can help you fill out the application.

School Hours: Regular office hours have resumed. The office will be open Monday – Friday 8:00 am-4:00 pm.

The mission of Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School is to provide a Christ-centered and academically excellent education.

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Faculty and Staff

Preschool – Cindy Steele Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz
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 First Grade – Rachel Miller Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer
 Third Grade and Junior Youth – Stephanie Valleroy
 Fourth Grade and Before/After School Care – Cindy Nebel
 Fifth Grade – Amanda Ruhmann Resource Teacher – Judy Stephens
 Sixth Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Doreen Schnepel
 Seventh Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Nancy Whelan
 Eighth Grade Homeroom: Bill Becker Athletic Director – Scott Voss
 School Custodians – Wil Krick and Bob Schramm
 Cooks – Jill Gross and Marilyn Oettle

Day Care

Amanda Falkenhain, Director; Kellie Shields, Assistant Director; Lisa Quinn, Ashley Brittingham, Megan Diercks, Nicole Kadlec, Patty Brewer, Kristi Martel, Courtney Schoenbeck, Brittney Eichholz, Pam Henry, Eileen Seibold, Christy Deterding, Melissa Schilling, Kaleigh Johnston, Amy Williams, Kaitlin Schmitz, Haley Ehler, Hailey Guebert, Courtney Schaefer, Brittany Smith, Callen Reitz, Kailyn Moeller, Kendall Williams, Madison Falkenhain, Ashlynn Crafton, and Geraldine Thompson

Church Council

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 Lutheran High School Board: Kathy Valleroy and Rebekah Liefer

Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher/Liturgist: (Sat.) Pastor Brian Nowak; (Sun.) Pastor Mark Nebel
 Sunday Lector: Seminarian Lucas Frauenhoff; Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak
 Greeters: (5 p.m.) Stanley and Lynn Langrehr; (8 a.m.) Kalin and Kathy Liefer;
 (10:30 a.m.) Jim and Judy Guebert
 Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Colt Hess; (8 a.m.) Lucas McCarthy; (10:30 a.m.) Norah Wagner
 Video: Eric Fritsche/Justin Palm Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr
 Flower Servers: Jill Hanebutt & Martha Krick Paraments: Ella Hemmer