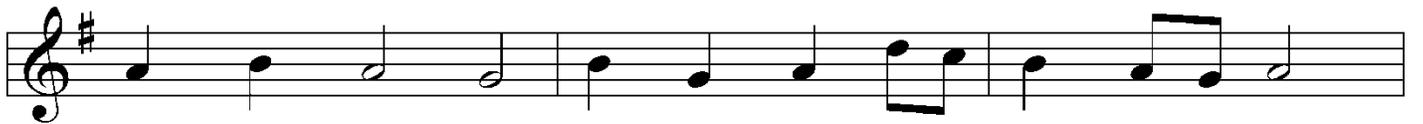


**THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT***St. John's Lutheran Church***March 2-3, 2024***Divine Service One, page 151ff.***Red Bud, Illinois****PRELUDE: "By Grace I'm Saved" arranged by Kevin Hildebrand****THE RINGING of the bell calls us to holy worship.****OPENING HYMN: (5 p.m. & 8 a.m.) 904 "Blessed Jesus, at Your Word"***(we stand for the last stanza, sing "A-men")*

1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at Your Word We are gath - ered  
 2 All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight Lie in deep - est  
 3 Gra - cious Sav - ior, good and kind, Light of Light, from  
 4 Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it, Lord, Praise to You and



all to hear You. Let our hearts and souls be stirred  
 dark - ness shroud - ed Till Your Spir - it breaks our night  
 God pro - ceed - ing, O - pen now our heart and mind;  
 ad - o - ra - tion! Grant that we may trust Your Word,



Now to seek and love and fear You, By Your teach - ings,  
 With the beams of truth un - cloud - ed. You a - lone to  
 Help us by Your Spir - it's plead - ing. Hear the cry Your  
 Con - fi - dent of our sal - va - tion, While we here be -



sweet and ho - ly, Drawn from earth to love You sole - ly.  
 God can win us; You must work all good with - in us.  
 Church now rais - es; Hear and bless our prayers and prais - es.  
 low must wan - der, Till we sing Your prais - es yon - der.

**OPENING HYMN: (10:30 a.m.) 592 "Dearest Jesus, We Are Here"**



1 Dear - est Je - sus, we are here, Glad - ly Your com -  
 2 Your com - mand is clear and plain, And we would o -  
 3 There - fore we have come to You, In our arms this  
 4 Gra - cious Head, Your mem - ber own; Shep - herd, take Your



mand o - bey - ing; With this child we now draw near  
 bey it du - ly: "You must all be born a - gain,  
 in - fant bear - ing. Tru - ly here Your grace we view;  
 lamb and feed it; Prince of Peace, make here Your throne;



In re - sponse to Your own say - ing That to You it  
 Heart and life re - new - ing tru - ly, Born of wa - ter  
 May this child, Your mer - cy shar - ing, In Your arms be  
 Way of Life, to heav - en lead it; Pre - cious Vine, let



shall be giv - en As a child and heir of heav - en.  
 and the Spir - it, And My king - dom thus in - her - it."  
 shield - ed ev - er, Yours on earth and Yours for - ev - er.  
 noth - ing sev - er From Your side this branch for - ev - er.

5 Now into Your heart we pour Prayers that from our hearts proceeded.

Our petitions heav'nward soar; May our hearts' desires be heeded!

Write the name we now have given; Write it in the book of heaven! Public domain

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### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION: page 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 for 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: Psalm 69**



**Zeal for Your house has con- / sumed me,**

**and the reproaches of those who reproach You have fall- / en on me.**

**Deliver me from sinking / in the mire; let me be delivered from the deep / wa-ters.**

**Let not the flood sweep / ov-er me, or the pit close its mouth / ov-er me.**

**Answer me, O Lord, for Your / love is good; according to Your mercy, / turn to me.**

**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.**

**Zeal for Your house has con- / sumed me,**

**and the reproaches of those who reproach You have fall- / en on me.**

**KYRIE:** (page 152) (*we sing the responses*)

**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.

*During Lent we omit the “GLORIA IN EXCELSIS.”*

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: (*sung*) **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

**C: O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; 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*)**

(8 a.m.) **ANTHEM:** “O Love, How Deep, How Broad” (arr. by Hal Hopson) *Choir*

**THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:****Exodus 20:1-17**

And God spoke all these words, saying, <sup>2</sup> “I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. <sup>3</sup> “You shall have no other gods before Me. <sup>4</sup> “You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup> You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate Me, <sup>6</sup> but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love Me and keep My commandments. <sup>7</sup> “You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain. <sup>8</sup> “Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. <sup>9</sup> Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, <sup>10</sup> but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. <sup>11</sup> For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

<sup>12</sup> “Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. <sup>13</sup> “You shall not murder. <sup>14</sup> “You shall not commit adultery. <sup>15</sup> “You shall not steal. <sup>16</sup> “You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. <sup>17</sup> “You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.****THE GRADUAL:**

O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,

**the founder and perfecter of our faith,**

who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame,  
**and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.**

**THE EPISTLE READING:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 1:18-31**

<sup>18</sup>For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup>For it is written, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

<sup>20</sup>Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup>*For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom,* <sup>23</sup>*but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles,* <sup>24</sup>*but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.* <sup>25</sup>*For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.*

<sup>26</sup>For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup>But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; <sup>28</sup>God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, <sup>29</sup>so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. <sup>30</sup>And because of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption, <sup>31</sup>so that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

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

*(please stand if able)* **GOSPEL PREPARATION:** *The Lutheran Hymnal 2*

**To Your temple, Lord, I come, For this is my wor-ship home.**

**That my joyful soul may bless, You, O Lord, my right-eous-ness.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL:**

**John 2:13-22**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter.

**C: *(sung)* Glo-ry to You, O Lord.**

The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>In the temple He found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. <sup>15</sup>And making a whip of cords, He drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And He poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. <sup>16</sup>And He told those who sold the pigeons, “Take these

things away; do not make My Father's house a house of trade.”<sup>17</sup> His disciples remembered that it was written, “Zeal for your house will consume me.”

<sup>18</sup>So the Jews said to Him, “What sign do You show us for doing these things?”<sup>19</sup> Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.”<sup>20</sup> The Jews then said, “It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will You raise it up in three days?”<sup>21</sup> But He was speaking about the temple of His body.<sup>22</sup> When therefore He was raised from the dead, His disciples remembered that He had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: *(sung)* **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: Creed** *(inside back cover of Lutheran Service Book)*  
*(5 p.m. & 8 a.m.) Nicene Creed (page 158)*

**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.) Apostles' Creed (page 159)*

**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,**

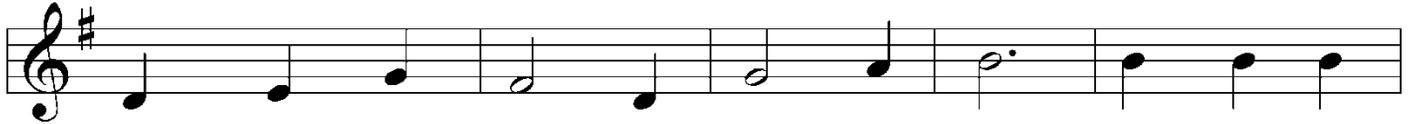
**the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body, and the life (+) everlasting. Amen. *(please be seated)***

(please be seated) (10:30 a.m.) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG: LSB 837**

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim  
Till all the world a-dore His sa-cred name.  
O Lord, once lift-ed on the glo-rious tree,  
As Thou has prom-ised, draw us all to Thee.  
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim  
Till all the world a-dore His sa-cred name.**

**HYMN OF THE DAY: 560 "Drawn to the Cross, Which Thou Hast Blessed"**



1 Drawn to the cross, which Thou hast blessed With heal - ing  
2 Thou know - est all my griefs and fears, Thy grace a -  
3 Wash me and take a - way each stain; Let noth - ing  
4 And then for work to do for Thee, Which shall so



gifts for souls dis - tressed, To find in Thee my  
bused, my mis - spent years; Yet now to Thee with  
of my sin re - main. For cleans - ing, though it  
sweet a ser - vice be That an - gels well might



life, my rest, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.  
con - trite tears, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.  
be through pain, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.  
en - vy me, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.

**SERMON:** "We Preach Christ Crucified" 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 1:22-25

**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:** Wil Guebert, Roger Hanebutt, Ruth Hecht, Rev. Russell Koen, Julie Ratz, Pam Stellhorn, Jay Prigge, Susie Harms, Marcy Watters, Heidi Wetzell, JoAnna Ellner, Sarah Roy, Ashlynn Crafton, Jack Kennedy, Harper Mounts; *Family/Friends of St. John's Members:* Dorothy Fulton, Rhonda Black, Mike Coffey, Isabella Despain, Joe Candler, Michelle Gibbs. *Help us keep this list current!*

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+our St. John's Cougars girls' basketball and cheerleaders at Lutheran State  
+for peace in the world and comfort for those who mourn and suffer violence

**OFFERTORY:** *LSB 425*

**When I sur-vey the won-drous cross On which the Prince of Glo-ry died,  
My rich-est gain I count but loss And pour con-tempt on all my pride.  
Were the whole realm of na-ture mine, That were a trib-ute far too small;  
Love so a-maz-ing, so di-vine, De-mands my soul, my life, my all!**

*(The 10:30 a.m. service concludes here.)*

**CLOSING COLLECT and BENEDICTION:**

Pastor: O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

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

*(please be seated)*

**CLOSING HYMN: 538 “Praise Be to Christ”**

1 Praise be to Christ in whom we see The im - age of the  
 2 Praise be to Him whose sov - 'reign sway And will up - holds cre -  
 3 Praise be to Him who, Lord Most High, The full - ness of the



Fa - ther shown, The first-born Son re - vealed and known, The truth and  
 a - tion's plan; Who is, be - fore all worlds be - gan And when our  
 God - head shares; And yet our hu - man na - ture bears, Who came as



grace of de - i - ty; Through whom cre - a - tion came to birth,  
 world has passed a - way: Lord of the Church, its life and head,  
 man to bleed and die. And from His cross there flows our peace



Whose fin - gers set the stars in place, The un - seen pow'rs, and  
 Re - demp - tion's price and source and theme, A - live, the first - born  
 Who chose for us the path He trod, That so might sins and



this small earth, The fur - thest bounds of time and space.  
 from the dead, To reign as all - in - all su - preme.  
 sor - rows cease And all be rec - on - ciled to God.

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**POSTLUDE: “Fugue in G Minor”**

*by J. S. Bach*

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**WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION:** In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the earthly elements of bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Since this Holy Communion is also how we commonly confess the Christian faith, we welcome to the Lord's Table those who are confirmed members of congregations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. The individual cups of white wine in the

center of the cup tray contain non-alcoholic wine for those who prefer this. For more information about this sacrament, please see pages 326-327 and 329-330 of *Lutheran Service Book*.

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT:** page 160ff.

**PREFACE:** page 160

P The Lord be with you. C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts. C **We lift them to the Lord.**

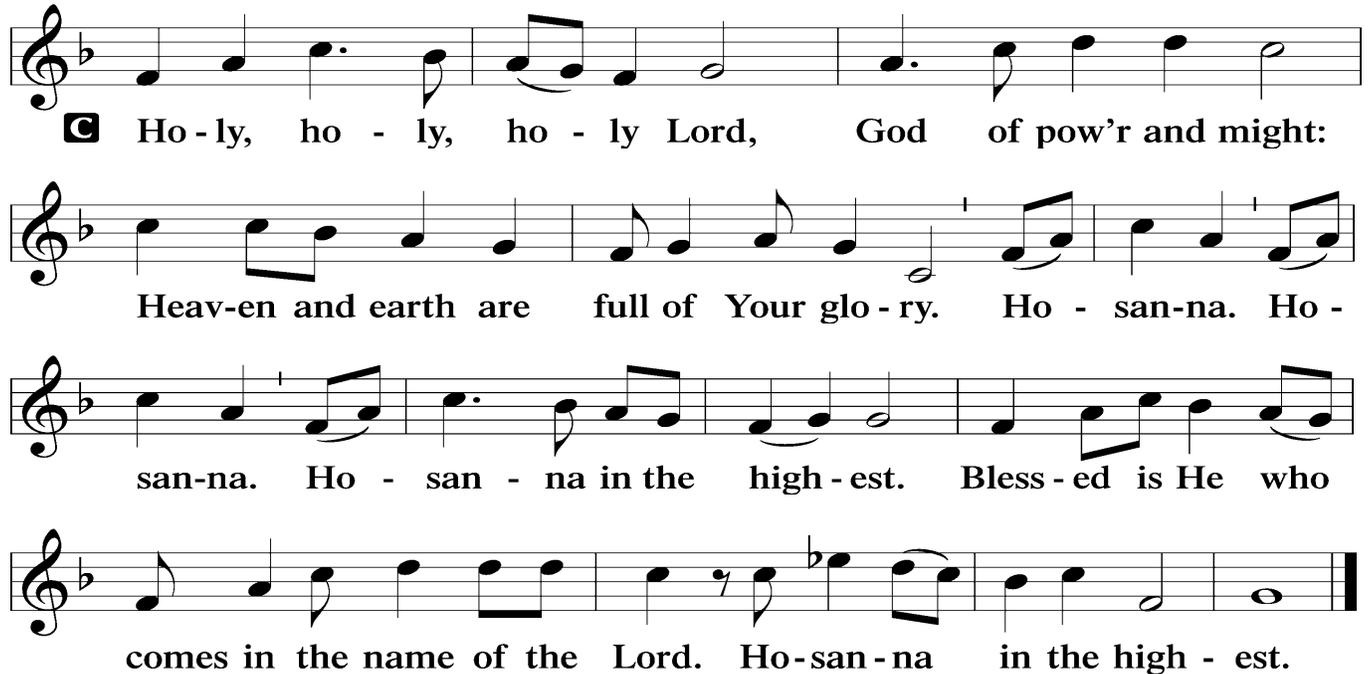
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

### **Proper Preface**

It is truly good, 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 overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. 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**



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**

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.**

### Lord's Prayer, the Words of Our Lord and the Pax Domini

**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. Amen.**

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

### Agnus Dei

**C** 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  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:** (*please be seated*)

(8 a.m.) **Anthem:** "I Stand Amazed" (by Charles Gabriel) *Choir*  
427 "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"



1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, Tow'r - ing  
 2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, Hopes de -  
 3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing Light and  
 4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure By the



o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of sa - cred  
 ceive, and fears an - noy, Nev - er shall the cross for -  
 love up - on my way, From the cross the ra - diance  
 cross are sanc - ti - fied; Peace is there that knows no



sto - ry Gath - ers round its head sub - lime.  
 sake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.  
 stream - ing Adds more lus - ter to the day.  
 mea - sure, Joys that through all time a - bide.

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### 566 "By Grace I'm Saved"



1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be-lieve and  
 2 By grace! None dare lay claim to mer - it; Our works and con - duct  
 3 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior, Came down to earth to  
 4 By grace! This ground of faith is cer - tain; As long as God is



doubt it not. Why stag - ger at this word of prom - ise?  
 have no worth. God in His love sent our Re - deem - er,  
 bear our sin. Was it be - cause of your own mer - it  
 true, it stands. What saints have penned by in - spi - ra - tion,



Has Scrip-ture ev - er false - hood taught? No! Then this word must  
 Christ Je - sus, to this sin - ful earth; His death did for our  
 That Je - sus died your soul to win? No, it was grace, and  
 What in His Word our God com - mands, Our faith in what our



true re - main: By grace you too will life ob - tain.  
 sins a - tone, And we are saved by grace a - lone.  
 grace a - lone, That brought Him from His heav'n - ly throne.  
 God has done De - pends on grace— grace through His Son.

5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble, In tribulation's furnace tried,  
 By grace, in spite of fear and trouble, The Father's heart is open wide.  
 Where could I help and strength secure If grace were not my anchor sure?

6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying; In Jesus' promise I rejoice;  
 For though I know my heart's condition, I also know my Savior's voice.  
 My heart is glad, all grief has flown Since I am saved by grace alone.

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### 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.

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(Lord Jesus, I pray You to make me, unworthy as I am, worthy through Your grace;  
so that Your body and Your blood may be for me a strengthening of my faith,  
a proof of my forgiveness, a closer union with You and Your people, an increase of holiness,  
the basis of a glad resurrection, and a pledge of everlasting life. Amen.)

*(please stand if able)* **POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE:** "Thank the Lord" page 164



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



**Let all who seek the Lord re - jice 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.**

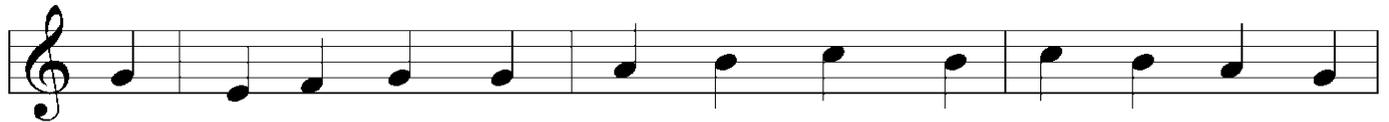
## Post-Communion Collect and Benediction

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 **Amen.**

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 (*sung*) **A-men.**

## CLOSING HYMN: 538 "Praise Be to Christ"



1 Praise be to Christ in whom we see The im - age of the  
 2 Praise be to Him whose sov - 'reign sway And will up - holds cre -  
 3 Praise be to Him who, Lord Most High, The full - ness of the



Fa - ther shown, The first-born Son re - vealed and known, The truth and  
 a - tion's plan; Who is, be - fore all worlds be - gan And when our  
 God - head shares; And yet our hu - man na - ture bears, Who came as



grace of de - i - ty; Through whom cre - a - tion came to birth,  
 world has passed a - way: Lord of the Church, its life and head,  
 man to bleed and die. And from His cross there flows our peace



Whose fin - gers set the stars in place, The un - seen pow'rs, and  
 Re - demp - tion's price and source and theme, A - live, the first - born  
 Who chose for us the path He trod, That so might sins and



this small earth, The fur - thest bounds of time and space.  
 from the dead, To reign as all - in - all su - preme.  
 sor - rows cease And all be rec - on - ciled to God.

**POSTLUDE: “Fugue in G Minor”***by J. S. Bach*

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***This Week With Our Lord, March 3-10, 2024*****SUNDAY, March 3-**

8:00 Divine Service with Holy Communion

9:30 a.m. Adult and Youth Bible Classes and Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Divine Service

6:00 p.m. Adult Instruction Class in the school library

**Monday, March 4-**

6:00 p.m. Board of Trustees meeting in the school library

7:00 p.m. Choir practice in the school’s music room

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

**Tuesday, March 5- *Girls’ Volleyball OVC Tournament at RBC***

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

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Circuit Pastors’ Conference here

6:15 p.m. Board of Parish Education meeting in school library

**Wednesday, March 6-**

7:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Public School Confirmation classes

8:30 a.m. Midweek Lenten Service at church

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

9:30 a.m. Women’s Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall

5:30 p.m. Lenten Supper in the Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. Midweek Lenten Service; Acolyte: Austin Stellhorn

**Thursday, March 7-**

7:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall

9:00 a.m. Office Staff meeting

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

**Friday, March 8- *End of Third Quarter****C Team Volleyball tournament at St. Mary’s*

8:30 a.m. Early Childhood Chapel service at church

**Saturday, March 9- 5:00 p.m. Divine Service****SUNDAY, March 10- 8:00 a.m. Divine Service**

9:30 a.m. Adult &amp; Youth Bible Classes; Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion (Grades 3-8 sing)

Noon Senior Youth gather in their church basement hangout

6:00 p.m. Adult Instruction Class in the school library

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR: “Included in Such Company”**

Speaker Dr. Michael Zeigler says that the more you listen to the life of Jesus, the more you admire Him and the more grateful you are to be included in His company (Mark 10:13-45).

Listen on KFUE AM 850 Sundays at 12:30 & 5 p.m., on Bott Christian Radio Sundays at 8 a.m. on KSIV 1320AM or 91.5FM or on Sirius XM Family Talk 131 Sundays at 9 a.m.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 349; Communion: 78; Bible classes: Adults- 42; SS & Youth: 40

Midweek Lent II Worship- AM: 130; PM: 55

*And let us consider how to stir one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. (Heb. 10:24-25)*

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

We join together in the grace of giving. 2/25- General: \$11,333.20; School: \$125; Automatic Giving: General: \$2,515; School: \$105. *Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. (2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 9:7)*

HOLY BAPTISM:

We welcome Eli James Liefer into the Body of Christ through the water and word of Holy Baptism in the late service on Sunday. He is the son of Kory and Natalie (Ruebke) Liefer. His baptismal sponsors are Kollin Liefer and Nathan Ruebke. Thanks be to God for His gift of new and eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

ADULT BIBLE CLASSES:

Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall meets Sunday from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. with Pastor Nebel leading "Proverbial Phrases Inspired by Bible Passages." Mr. Palm's class will not meet this Sunday.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: *LCMS Stewardship Resources*

John 2:16 – "And Jesus told those who sold the pigeons, 'Take these things away; do not make My Father's house a house of trade.'" The Lord's house is not a place to sell, but a place to receive and a place to give. It's not a place for our schemes and plans. Instead, the church is a place for the Lord's gracious giving and our faithful sacrifices in response.

FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:

+Flowers on the pedestal this weekend are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for the baptism of Eli James Liefer. They are a gift from his grandparents. Thank you!

+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.

SCHOOL ON MONDAY:

St. John's Lutheran School will be in session on Monday but there will not be any bus service as the public school is observing Casimir Pulaski Day. There will be before and after school care for our students.

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES:

During this season of Lent we hold services on Wednesdays at 8:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. The evening service will be preceded with a Lenten supper (tacos, Mexican rice, refried beans and homemade ice cream) beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall and a hymn sing in church at 6:50 p.m.

PTL DINNER AUCTION- *Contact our office to purchase tickets!*

“Splish, Splash! We’re Having a Beach Bash!”

Saturday, March 16, 5 p.m. Hecker Community Center

Tickets: \$45 per person (dinner, dessert and select drinks)

Homework passes can be purchased for Grades 3-8

\$250 Cougar Cash drawing for bringing new attendees

SnoCone party for the class with the highest % of adult attendees

EASTER LILY FORMS:

Easter Lilies will be on display again this year. We thank the Altar Guild for taking on this project each year as it is such a beautiful addition to our chancel as well as a heartfelt way to remember our loved ones or just give thanks to the glory of God for His many blessings to us. The cost is \$9 and you may return it to our church/school office or by way of the offering plate by Tuesday, March 26th. Forms are on the tables in the entryway. Thank you!

LUTHERAN YOUNG ADULTS OF THE METRO EAST:

On March 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m., Holy Cross Lutheran in Collinsville will host a volleyball night. Check the QR code on the bulletin board flyer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSION PROJECT:

Our mission project this year (10% of offerings) is benefitting the Musketeer Market & Royal Table. These are operated through our local District 132 Schools that supply families with food, basic care needs, and supplies for making birthday cakes for the elementary children in our local community. Thank you for your participation in and your dedication to our Sunday School ministry!

THE LATEST EDITION:

St. John’s Lutheran School Alumni Newsletter is in paper copy in the entryway for those who did not receive one in the mail.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS:

Thank you to all you directed their Thrivent Choice Dollars to St. John’s for 2023! We received \$1,876 in this way for our ministry. If you have not yet done so, please consider St. John’s as your recipient. You have until March 31 to do so if you have not already done so.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

3/3- Jackson Carnahan; 3/4- Duke Hinrichs, Lisa Guebert, Bennett Buch; 3/5- Rev. Russell Koen, Taylor Foster, Lucas McCarthy, Sadie Stellhorn; 3/6- Linda Buch, Nathan Marcheski, Taylor Guebert, Summer Luttmann, Luke Pollard; 3/7- Dale Holmstrom, Lisa Quinn, Miranda Sutton, Joshua Bremer, Skylar Valleroy, Ben DeRousse; 3/8- Joan Prigge, Donna VanDorn, Kaci Trost, Samuel Roscow, Landon Bumann, Tessa Stenzel, Corbin Liefer; 3/9- JoAnna Ellner, Joy Prigge. *Please call our office with any corrections!*

THANK YOU!

A note of thanks from the Prigge family: *Members of St. John’s Lutheran, We thank you for your generosity and kindness that has been shown upon our family. It is truly unmatched. We are grateful for all that you did by supporting our family at the recent BBQ that was held. God’s blessings to you all!*

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](mailto: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).

**PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:**

Three Springs-Chester: Eunice Wiatr; Oak Hill-Waterloo: Jody Winkelmann; Magnolia Terrace-Waterloo: June Lawrence & Jean Menke; Randolph County-Sparta: Don Kueker; Bethesda Gardens-Kirkwood: Ruth Hecht; Freeburg Care Center: Wil Guebert.

**PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT GARDEN PLACE:**

Kathryn Chunn, Mary Gross, Elaine Guebert, Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Omer and Neva Liefer, Vernon Muench, Paul Schrieber, Arlin and Helen Winkelman, Carl and Flo Zschiegner

**PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:**

Pat Byer, Don/Betty Fausz, Nancy Holmstrom, Kenneth Koester, Barb Korves, LuAnn Liefer, Joyce Lopez, Ed Luttman, Viola Muench, Harold Thies, Trudy Woolbright

**SENIOR YOUTH:**

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.

**ELDER ZONES FOR 2024:** (Chairman, Jeremy Stellhorn)

Zone 1: D. Adams thru R. Collins- Elder Bruce Schneider (618/521-0028)

Zone 2: S. Conboy thru D/K Grohmann- Elder Louis Stellhorn (618/623-8495)

Zone 3: N/E Grohmann thru 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 thru Janel Maes- Elder Gary Buatte (618/719-5034)

Zone 6: Pat Malik thru Lanie Pensoneau- Elder Stuart Langrehr (618/304-5082)

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

Zone 8: J/D Schrader thru B/C Turner- Elder Michael Schnepel (618/363-9575)

Zone 9: D/K Uffelmann thru Doug Zschiegner- Elder Joshua Voss (618/719-1840)

**SUMMER BABYSITTING AND TUTORING OFFERED:**

Christine Liefer, Mrs. Rebekah Liefer's daughter, is tutoring the lower grades in Reading, Phonics and other skills over the summer. She also will babysit all ages. Please call Christine at 618-612-5996 or contact Mrs. Liefer at 618-570-4957 if you are interested in either of these services.

**CHOIR CONCERTS:**

+*The Kapelle* of Concordia University Chicago, under the direction of Dr. Charles P. Brown, will be in concert at Zion Lutheran Church in Belleville on Friday, March 8, at 7 p.m. The concert is free but an offering will be taken to support the choir's spring tour.

+*Laudamus*, the select seminary choir of Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, under the direction of Cantor Philip Magness, will perform “Not Unto Us” at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Perryville, MO, on Friday, March 15 at 7 p.m.

**MEALS ELSEWHERE:**

+Trinity Lutheran Church, Prairie, is hosting their annual Fish Fry on Friday, March 8. All are welcome. Please come to the school gym, 10247 S. Prairie Rd., between 4:30 and 8:00 p.m. Dine-in and Carry-out options are available.

+St. John Lutheran Church in Baldwin is hosting its Annual Chicken Dinner on March 10th from 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. The menu includes fried chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, corn, green beans, slaw, homemade desserts, and tea, lemonade, and coffee. Dine-in is all you can eat. Carry-outs are available. Adults are \$15, Children 4+ cost \$8; children under 4 are free. All are welcome.

**PARISH NURSE NOTE:** (LCMS *Better Health*) The health benefits from walking top off at 20,000 steps a day and are best for those under the age of 60.

**LIFE THOUGHTS FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE:**

The Lord God closely associates life and family. He stands commands about parenting and marriage on either side of the prohibition against killing (Exodus 20:12-14). He holds human life as highest priority and will not accept any other creatures as replacement (John 2:15-16). Body and sexuality serve to enrich life – our own as well as one another’s – and not to eliminate it.

**KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:**

KFUO Radio AM 850 & [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org), a media ministry of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you on AM 850 & [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) and wherever you get podcasts! Find us on social media @KFUO.org, Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. This week on KFUO AM850, search Scripture and hear more LCMS history on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9 a.m.), study Isaiah 41-41 and LSB 420 for Lent on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m.), study Deuteronomy 18-21 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.), and enjoy a Lenten Organ Recital and Worship Service on 3/6 at 11 a.m. Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or the KFUO Radio app!

**ISSUES, ETC.:**

HABAKKUK BIBLE STUDY... The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon begins a study this week on the Book of Habakkuk. You can listen at your convenience at [thewordendures.org](http://thewordendures.org), the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

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

Thank you for attending our Annual Fish & More Dinner!

Dinner and a “Show”: Join us for a taco bar and a “Show” this Saturday, March 9. Doors open at 6 p.m., dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., \$12 admission.

Puff Pastry Sale: This fundraiser supports student council and student activities. Contact the office if you would like to place an order. Orders end March 11.

Items needed for Drama: For this year's play, our director is asking for empty Girl Scout cookie boxes and any size of women's blouses, jackets, and dresses. Please bring your donation to school by March 1. Our play will be March 9.

Registration for 2024-2025 is open! If you have a student or know someone who is high school age, encourage them to consider Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School. Call 853-7300 to schedule a private tour. Scholarships and financial aid are available. Tuition for all students will be on a sliding scale. Learn more and download a registration form from our website, [www.coslhs.org](http://www.coslhs.org).

School Hours: Office hours are Monday – Friday from 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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Senior Pastor Mark Nebel 618/237-5802 or home 618/282-3050

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Principal – Mr. Justin Palm 618/214-1103

Director of Parish Music – Mrs. Lindsey Hudak 618/340-6055

Director of Christian Education/School Librarian–Mr. Bill Becker 618/282-2958

Secretaries – Mrs. Sara Shepherd and Miss Cynthia Wilson

Senior Youth – Kirk and Stephanie Liefer 618/967-0804

Junior Youth – Erin Kuehn 618/581-5928

Sherry Prange, Principal, Christ Our Savior Lutheran High, 618/853-7300

Faculty and Staff

Preschool – Heather Nowak Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz

First Grade – Rachel Miller Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer

Third Grade – Stephanie Valleroy

Fourth Grade and Before/After School Care – Cindy Nebel

Fifth Grade – Amanda Ruhmann Resource Teacher – Judy Stephens

Sixth Grade Homeroom (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) – Doreen Schnepel

Seventh Grade Homeroom (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) – Nancy Whelan

Eighth Grade Homeroom: Kristin Sachtleben 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, Amy Williams, Nicole Kadlec, Christy Deterding, Patty Brewer, Kristi Martel, Courtney Schoenbeck, Brittney Eichholz, Madison Shields, Brooke Supancic, Pam Henry, Melissa Schilling, Kaleigh Reith, Kaitlin Schmitz, Haley Ehler, Hailey Guebert, Courtney Schaefer, Brittany

Smith, Callen Reitz, Kailyn Moeller, Madison Falkenhain, Leah Johnston, Lori Johnston,  
Kaitlyn Brown, Emma Wuertz, Madison Trask, Sarah Beth Nieweglowski, Mycah Clements,  
Jill Wetzel

Church Council

Chairman: Kevin Liefer Vice-Chairman: Michael DeRousse  
Secretary: Joan Ruwald Treasurer: Eric Fritsche Board of Finance: Jill Gross  
Elder Chair: Jeremy Stellhorn Parish Education Chair: Derek Uffelmann  
Trustee Chair: Leonard Salger Estate Fund Chair: Brian Guebert  
Lutheran High School Board: Vickie Heller and Christina Gidley

Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher and Liturgist: Pastor Mark Nebel  
Organist/Choir Director: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak; Lector: (*Sunday*) DCE Bill Becker  
Acolytes: (*5 p.m.*) Max Voss; (*8 a.m.*) Joey Biffar; (*10:30 a.m.*) Kade Liefer  
Greeters: (*5 p.m.*) Stanley and Lynn Langrehr; (*8 a.m.*) Lisa Quinn and Christine  
Kellerhouse; (*10:30 a.m.*) Ken and Karen Wetzel  
Video: Eric Fritsche/Justin Palm Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr  
Flower Servers: Alverda Rahn and Lynn Langrehr Paraments: Virginia Moeller