

PRELUDE: (Saturday) "A Festive Intrada"

Bell Choir

(Sunday) "Since Our Great High Priest, King Jesus" arranged by Walter E. Pelz

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN: 529 "Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus"



1 Since our great High Priest, Christ Je - sus, Bears the name a -
 2 Since we have a priest who suf - fered, Know - ing weak - ness,
 3 Sac - ri - fice and suf - f'ring o - ver, Now He sits at
 4 Love's ex - am - ple, hope's at - trac - tion, Faith's be - gin - ning



bove all names, Reign - ing Son of God, sur - pass - ing
 tears, and pain, Who like us was tried and tempt - ed,
 God's right hand, Crowned with praise, no more an out - cast,
 and its end, Pi - o - neer of our sal - va - tion,



Oth - er ti - tles, pow'rs and claims— Since to heav'n our
 Un - like us, with - out a stain— Since He shared our
 His pre - em - i - nence long-planned; Such a great High
 Might-y ad - vo - cate and friend; Je - sus, high in



Lord has passed, Let us hold our wit - ness fast!
 low - ly place, Let us bold - ly seek His grace.
 Priest we have, Strong to help, su - preme to save.
 glo - ry raised, Our as - cend - ed Lord be praised!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION: page 151 (please stand if you are able)

P: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. C: Amen.

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

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

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

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

C: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved**

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: (*sung*) And also with you. P: Let us pray.
 C: Merciful Father, Your patience and loving-kindness toward us have no end. Grant that by Your Holy Spirit we may always think and do those things that are pleasing in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (*please be seated*)

ANTHEM: (*5 p.m.*) "The Gift of Love" *Bell Choir*
 (*8 a.m.*) "Lift High the Cross" (*LSB 837*) *Choir*
Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim Till
 all the world a - dore His sa - cred name.

1 Come, Chris-tians, fol - low where our Cap - tain trod,
 2 Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
 3 All new - born sol - diers of the Cru - ci - fied
 4 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,



Our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
The hosts of God in con - qu'ring ranks com-bine.
Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died.
As Thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to Thee.

5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell
Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. Refrain

6 So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory! Refrain

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Genesis 2:18-25

18Then the Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." 19So out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. 20The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. 21So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. 22And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. 23Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
she shall be called Woman,
because she was taken out of Man."

24Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. 25And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL:

Psalms 91:11; 103:1

He will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

THE EPISTLE READING:

Hebrews 2: 1-18

¹Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. ²For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, ³how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who

heard, ⁴while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

⁵Now it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. ⁶It has been testified somewhere,

“What is man, that you are mindful of him,
or the son of man, that you care for him?”

⁷You made him for a little while lower than the angels;
you have crowned him with glory and honor,

⁸putting everything in subjection under his feet.”

Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. ⁹But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering. ¹¹For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one origin. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers, ¹²saying,

“I will tell of your name to my brothers;
in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise.”

¹³And again,

“I will put my trust in him.”

And again,

“Behold, I and the children God has given me.”

¹⁴Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. ¹⁶For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. ¹⁷Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. ¹⁸For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

(please stand if able) **ALLELUIA and VERSE:** (page 156) *(sung)*

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.

THE HOLY GOSPEL:

Mark 10: 2-16

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10th chapter. C: *(sung)* **Glo-ry to You, O Lord.**

2Pharisees came up and in order to test [Jesus] asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” 3He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” 4They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of divorce and to send her away.” 5And Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment. 6But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ 7‘Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold

fast to his wife, 8and they shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two but one flesh. 9What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate.”

10And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. 11And he said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her, 12and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

13And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. 14But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. 15Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.” 16And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

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

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: Creed *(inside back cover of hymnal)* & **LWML Pledge**
(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.

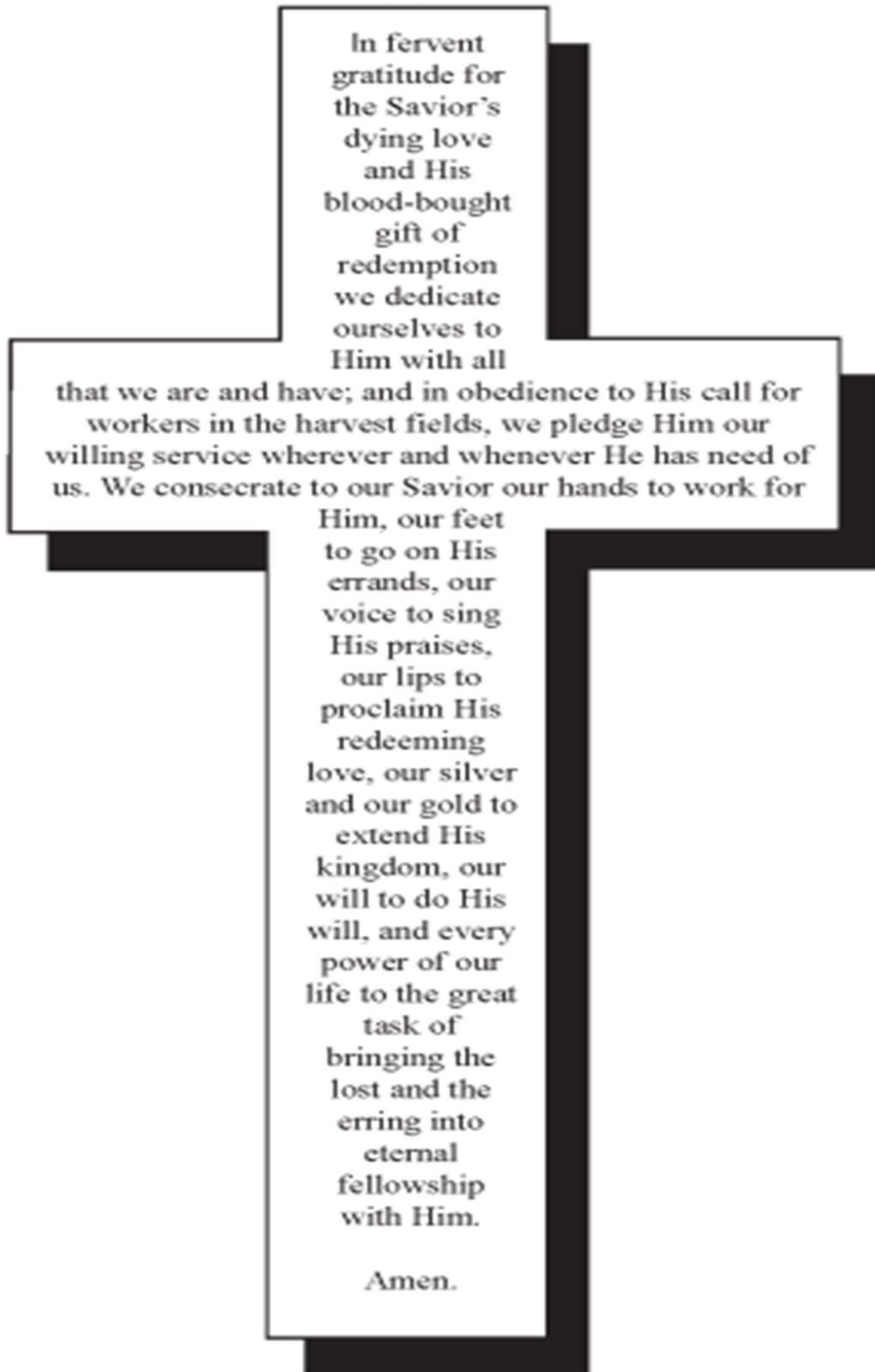
(10:30 a.m.) Apostles’ Creed

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)*



In fervent
gratitude for
the Savior's
dying love
and His
blood-bought
gift of
redemption
we dedicate
ourselves to
Him with all

that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for
workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our
willing service wherever and whenever He has need of
us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for

Him, our feet
to go on His
errands, our
voice to sing
His praises,
our lips to
proclaim His
redeeming
love, our silver
and our gold to
extend His
kingdom, our
will to do His
will, and every
power of our
life to the great
task of
bringing the
lost and the
erring into
eternal
fellowship
with Him.

Amen.

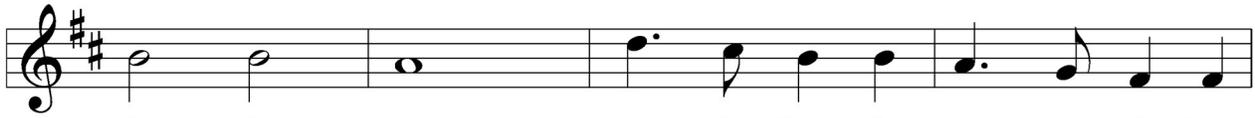
(10:30 a.m.) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG: "Father Welcomes"** (*LSB 605, vs. 1*)

**Lit-tle chil-dren, come to Me, For My king-dom
is of these. Life and__ love I have to give,
Mer-cy__ for your sin.**

HYMN OF THE DAY: 706 "Love in Christ Is Strong and Living"



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.

SERMON: (*Saturday*) “Let Them Come” Mark 10:2-16
 (*Sunday*) “Ready to Serve” Luke 1:38 LWML

OFFERTORY: pages 159-160

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

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

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

HEALING AND COMFORT: Ashlynn Crafton, Riley Foster, Roger Hanebutt, Susie Harms, Ruth Hecht, Beth Kilpatrick, Peggy Koen, Rev. Russell Koen, Nancy Langrehr, Jay Prigge, Bunny Schnepel, Marcy Watters; *Family/Friends of St. John’s Members:* Mary Gibson, Gerald Hitzemann, Tyson Moonier, Ron Pflueger, Ted Stellhorn. (*Help us keep this list current!*)

MILITARY: Army- Casey Vallett, Tanner Valleroy, Brandon Voss, Adrienne Vallett, Easton Lucht, Chase Lucht, Ethan Summers, Tim Healy, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Austin Scheibe, Jessica DeMarco, 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 (*Please call with names.*)

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Rippelmeyer, Brad Stechmesser, John Valentine, Mike VanDorn, Tanner Winkelman; Police-Abigail Browne, Ralph Sievers, Chris Hewitt, Nick Mounts, Doug Brennan, Jason Roscow
+Clyde & Kathryn Rowald's 50th wedding anniversary
+birth of a son to Christopher & Jessica (Orza) Stenzel on September 26
+blessings on the harvest and safety in the fields
+God's guidance of our pastoral vacancy and for our call process

(The 10:30 a.m. service concludes with the Lord's Prayer, a Closing Prayer & Closing Hymn.)

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

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 confess our common Christian faith, we welcome to the Lord's Table those who are confirmed members of congregations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

Preface: page 160

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

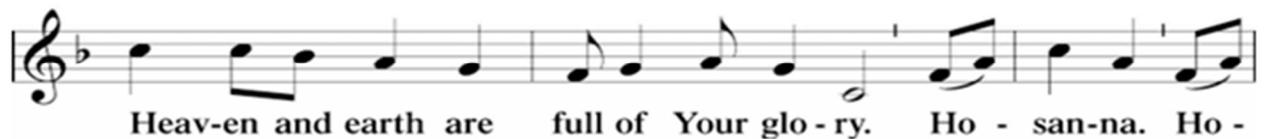
C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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

Sanctus: page 161 *(sung)*



Prayer of Thanksgiving: page 161

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 (sung) page 163

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

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: *(please be seated)*

ANTHEM: (5 p.m.) "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" Bell Choir

(8 a.m.) "Come Follow Me, the Savior Spake" (LSB 688, vs. 1,2,5) Choir



1 "Come, fol - low Me," the Sav - ior spake, "All in My
 2 "I am the light, I light the way, A god - ly
 3 "My heart a - bounds in low - li - ness, My soul with
 4 "I teach you how to shun and flee What harms your
 5 Then let us fol - low Christ, our Lord, And take the



way a - bid - ing; De - ny your - selves, the world for - sake,
 life dis - play - ing; I bid you walk as in the day;
 love is glow - ing; And gra - cious words My lips ex - press,
 soul's sal - va - tion, Your heart from ev - 'ry guile to free,
 cross ap - point - ed And, firm - ly cling - ing to His Word,



O - bey My call and guid - ing. O bear the cross, what -
 I keep your feet from stray - ing. I am the way, and
 With meek - ness o - ver - flow - ing. My heart, My mind, My
 From sin and its temp - ta - tion. I am the ref - uge
 In suf - f'ring be un - daunt - ed. For those who bear the



e'er be - tide, Take My ex - am - ple for your guide.
 well I show How you must so - journ here be - low.
 strength, My all, To God I yield, on Him I call.
 of the soul And lead you to your heav'n - ly goal."
 bat - tle's strain The crown of heav'n - ly life ob - tain.

698 "May We Thy Percepts, Lord, Fulfill"



1 May we Thy pre - cepts, Lord, ful - fill And do on
 2 So may we join Thy name to bless, Thy grace a -
 3 Spir - it of life, of love and peace, U - nite our



earth our Fa - ther's will As an - gels do a - bove;
 dore, Thy pow'r con - fess, From sin and strife to flee.
 hearts, our joy in - crease, Thy gra - cious help sup - ply.



Still walk in Christ, the liv - ing way, With all Thy
 One is our call - ing, one our name, The end of
 To each of us the bless - ing give In Chris - tian



chil-dren and o - bey The law of Chris-tian love.
 all our hopes the same, A crown of life with Thee.
 fel - low - ship to live, In joy - ful hope to die.

621 "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence And with fear and
 2 King of kings yet born of Mar - y, As of old on
 3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en Spreads its van - guard
 4 At His feet the six - winged ser - aph, Cher - u - bim with



trem - bling stand; Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,
 earth He stood, Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture,
 on the way As the Light of Light, de - scend - ing
 sleep - less eye, Veil their fac - es to the pres - ence



For with bless - ing in His hand Christ our God to earth de -
 In the bod - y and the blood, He will give to all the
 From the realms of end - less day, Comes the pow'rs of hell to
 As with cease - less voice they cry: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



scend - ing Comes our hom - age to de - mand.
 faith - ful His own self for heav'n - ly food.
 van - quish As the dark - ness clears a - way.
 lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

525 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"



1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;
 2 Crown Him the vir - gin's Son, The God in - car - nate born,
 3 Crown Him the Lord of love. Be - hold His hands and side,
 4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the grave
 5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds a - bove,



Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own.
 Whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won Which now His brow a-dorn:
 Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri - fied.
 And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save.
 Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The won-drous name of Love.



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



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

(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 - 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 and Benediction

P: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same

in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**
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: “Serve the Lord with Gladness”** (to the Tune: LSB 662)

“Serve the Lord with gladness!”

It is He alone

Who redeemed us sinners, Guides

us as His own

To enjoy the blessings

Of His love and grace,

Will at last in glory

Meet us face to face.

Onward, then, for Jesus!

Let this be our aim:

“Serve the Lord with gladness!”

Glorify His name.

“Serve the Lord with gladness!”

He gave us command

To proclaim His Gospel

Now in every land So

that fellow sinners

May, like us, be blest.

Leading them to Jesus, We

can serve Him best.

Onward, then, for Jesus!

Let this be our aim:

“Serve the Lord with gladness!”

Glorify His name!

“Serve the Lord with gladness!”

There’s no greater joy Than

to serve the Master, Work

in His employ.

As we build His kingdom

Angels, too, rejoice

Over every sinner

Brought to hear His voice.

Onward, then, for Jesus!

Let this be our aim:

“Serve the Lord with gladness!”

Glorify His name!

--Written by Prof. Ernest Lewerenz

POSTLUDE: “Serve the Lord with Gladness”

arranged by Lani Smith

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This Week With Our Lord, October 6-13, 2024

SUNDAY, October 6-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte- Aiden Kiefer

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

10:15 a.m. BBQ & Bake Sale for Class of 2025

10:30 a.m. Divine Service; Acolyte- Brody Rahn

Monday, October 7-

7:00 p.m. Choir in School Music Room

7:00 p.m. Elders Meeting in the Library

Cross Country @ RBHS (RBAA)

Tuesday, October 8-

Fall Picture Day at School

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

9:45 a.m. Office Staff Meeting

6 p.m. Board of Parish Education Meeting in the library

Wednesday, October 9-

7 a.m. Public School Confirmation Class

8:30 a.m. Early Childhood Chapel – Mrs. Falkenhain

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

9:00 a.m. Grades 3-8 Chapel – Miss Ruhmann & 5th Grade

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

3:30 p.m. Public School Confirmation Class

5:30 p.m. New Members Class in the Library

6:00 p.m. Mom’s Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall

6:30 p.m. Family of Faith Fall Fellowship

Thursday, October 10-

Cougar Prowl Fun Run

12:30 p.m. Watkin’s sales begin – 5th-8th Grades

6:00 p.m. Bell Choir Practice at Church

Friday, October 11-

No School – SID/CID Conference

Saturday, October 12-

8:00 a.m. Jr Youth – Young Eagle Event

5:00 p.m. Divine Service; Acolyte- Landon Bumann

SUNDAY, October 13-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service; Acolyte- Aubrey Kiefer

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

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte- Layla Kilpatrick

12:30 p.m. Sr Youth Meeting – College Care Packages

Pastor Appreciation Celebration

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: **340**; Communion: **201**; Bible classes: **26**; Sunday School: **54**

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. 9/29- General: \$14,073.00; School: \$270.00.

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).

ATTENTION PLEASE: At the July Voter's it was voted on and approved to increase the amount the St. John's treasurer can request to **borrow** from the Estate Fund Committee. It was approved to increase the amount from \$100,000 to \$200,000. Currently, we have borrowed all \$200,000 that is available. Again, these funds are borrowed, **NOT AS A GIFT**, but as a loan that needs to be repaid. These funds were borrowed due to the increase in expenses so we could **make payroll**. We are looking at ways to solve this issue. **St John's needs your help to secure our future as a church and school.**

THANK YOU PTL:

We would like to thank the PTL as they helped St. John's Lutheran Church and School make payroll on September 25. Keeping up with the up with the budgetary expenses has been difficult this year with increased costs due to inflation, rising insurance rates, and needed repairs to items at school. We are blessed to have our church's support and look to implement a giving drive that may help to close the monthly deficit that continues to occur. We may very soon need to ask for the help of the PTL again if the deficit continues!

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES: *Need by October 9th!!*

It's that time of the year when I need you to forward your college aged members of St. John's Lutheran college addresses. The Sr Youth has agreed to assemble and send them a care package on October 13th. Becker@stjohnsredbud.org 618-282-2958(text or leave a msg.)

EPISTLES: Paper copies of the October edition of our congregation's newsletter are on the tables in the entryway. It also is on our website and has been sent by email to those for whom the office has an email address. *To ensure an article makes the November Epistle, please send email to office by Oct. 28th.*

FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:

+Pedestal flowers are Given to the Glory of God in honor of Clyde & Kathryn Rowald's 50th wedding anniversary.

+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.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:

We extend our Christian sympathy to the family of St. John's member Julie Ratz who died in the Lord Wednesday, September 25th at the age of 67 years. Celebration of Life Gathering will be held on Saturday, November 9th from 11am to 4pm at Ratzkeller.

CONGRATULATIONS:

God has blessed Christopher & Jessica (Orza) Stenzel with the birth of a son, Jace Beattie, at Missouri Baptist Hospital. He joins his older sisters, Raelynn & Brenlee, at home. Thanks be to God for His gift of new life in the birth of a child!

HOLY BAPTISM:

+We welcome Hazel Elizabeth Westcott into the Body of Christ through the water and word of Holy Baptism in a 3pm Saturday service. She is the child of Thomas & Rebecca (Cooper) Westcott. Her baptismal sponsors are Angela M. Cooper & Angela E. Westcott. Thanks be to God for His gift of new and eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: *LCMS Stewardship Resources*

Ephesians 4:24 – "Put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness." The battle between the old self in Adam and the new self in Christ is fought in the heart and mind of every Christian. Paul encourages us to put on the new man which is created in the image of God. Our sanctification, our growth in godliness, is a growth into God's image. So we do this by keeping our eyes on Christ and imitating Him in everything: in love, in kindness, in self-giving generosity.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "Fit to Be Tied"

A strong knot in the right place holds everything together. God made Jesus to be the "Master Point" to bind all people to Himself through faith. (Genesis 30:8). 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.

ADULT BIBLE CLASSES:

Adult Bible Class will be led by Pastor Mark Winkelman & will meet in the Fellowship Hall this Sunday from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Mr. Palm's class on the Angels and Demons will meet this Sunday in the School Library.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR SR YOUTH:

Senior youth will hold their regular meeting on Sunday, October 13 at 12:30 where we will assemble college care packages. We will hold a BBQ fundraiser on Sunday, October 20. Also, any high school youth interested in attending the youth gathering in New Orleans in July 2025, please contact Stephanie Liefer at 618-967-0804 or email at stjohnsseniorityouth@gmail.com.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PERFECT ATTENDANCE:

Perfect Attendance for September- 3-Year-old: Attlee Thien, Logan Gramenz, Cash Grohmann, June Russell; 4-Year-old: Nolan Liefer, Clarke Thien; Kindergarten: Demi Grohmann, Eliza Schrader, Nolan Kassing, Colten Gulley; First Grade: Raelynn Stenzel, Bentley Valentine; Second Grade: Jettson Grohmann, Maddie Gulley; Third Grade: Lynleigh Wingerter; Fourth Grade: Jack Valentine; Fifth Grade: Cassidy Palm, Henry Schnepel, Aliviah Gulley; Sixth Grade: Natalie Kassing. Thank you for your participation in and your dedication to our Sunday School ministry!

8TH GRADE TRIP TRAVEL OPPORTUNITY:

The current 8th grade class of 2025 has **5 spots available** for guests on their class trip. The dates of the trip are April 24-May 2, 2025. The following cities and various stops will be included: Williamstown, KY, Charlottesville, VA, Jamestown, VA, Williamsburg, VA, Mt. Vernon, VA, Washington, D.C., Philadelphia, PA, Gettysburg, PA, Somerset, PA, and Dayton, OH. A \$500 deposit is required to hold your spot by Dec. 1 and will be added to the remaining balance owed. Several meals, all entrance fees, and hotel costs are included. An estimated per guest cost sharing a double room is \$1,400. An estimated single guest room will be \$1,700. If you are interested in joining us on this trip please let Mr. Bill Becker know at your earliest convenience at 618-282-2958.

SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD NEEDED:

The city of Red Bud is searching for a school crossing guard. This position requires two hours of work each school day. Interested individuals would begin immediately and serve for the remainder of the school year and possibly beyond. If interested, please reach out to City Hall at 618-282-2315.

OPENING FOR FOURTH GRADE TEACHER:

St. John's Lutheran School seeks a 4th-grade homeroom teacher. Applicants can use the link, <https://forms.gle/C6VUxnZ671Qrdgo7A>, to learn more about the position and send in a resume for review. You may also call the office Monday through Friday from 9:00 to 3:00 for more information. We have competitive pay and a great benefits package which includes insurance for the employee and a pension. We look forward to the responses that come in and await the plans and people God has in store for St. John's Lutheran School.

BELL CHOIR: *Two Ringers Needed!!*

Bell Choir needs 2 more ringers this year: one to play G6 and A6 (small bells) and one to play F5 and G5 (medium bells). All you need is an ability to count and keep a steady beat. Reading music is NOT a requirement! Your notes will be marked for you if needed! If you are interested, please contact me! *Mrs. Lindsey Hudak*

TRUNK OR TREAT:

We will be hosting our annual Trunk or Treat on Thursday, October 31 at 5pm in the west daycare parking lot. We're looking for individuals and businesses to participate and help make this a fun

night for our church and community children. If you are interested in decorating your trunk and handing out goodies to hundreds of excited costume-clad children, please contact Cindy Steele at csteele@stjohnsredbud.org or contact the school office. If the weather is bad the event will be held in the school lobby.

BBQ & BAKE SALE:

Class of 2025 and their parents will host a fundraising BBQ and bake sale on **Sunday, October 6th**. Plan to enjoy a delicious lunch of pork steaks, brats, potato salad, baked beans, & mac-and-cheese. A free will bake sale will be held.

FALL FAMILY OF FAITH FELLOWSHIP FAIR:

Join us **Wed. Oct. 8th** from 6:30-8:30pm at school for our Fall Family of Faith Fellowship Fair. All organizations for our church and school will have a table where you can learn more about what they do and how to be involved. Attendees will have the opportunity to provide suggestions for new organizations and complete a survey to help us find a new Pastor. Our student choirs will be singing at 6:25 (K-2) and 7:15 (3-8). Plan to attend this wonderful evening of fellowship!

COUGAR MAGNET FUNDRAISER: *Last week to order!!*

Class of 2028 is selling St. John's Lutheran Cougars Car Magnets to raise money for their 8th grade class trip! The cost is 1 for \$10 or 2 for \$18. Payments can be made by cash, checks payable to St. John's Lutheran Class of 2028, or send Venmo to @Stephanie-Valleroy-1. Deadline to order is **October 10th**. Please return forms with payment to the school office. Additional forms are available in the school office. Thank you for your support!

PASTOR APPRECIATION CELEBRATION:

Please come join us in the Fellowship Hall at St. John's Lutheran Church on **Sunday, October 13**, immediately following the 10:30 service to celebrate our Pastors which God has provided our church and school. This will be a pot-luck event with St. John's providing the meat, cake, and drinks. We welcome all ages to this celebration of our Pastors.

“POTLUCK” DINNER:

Evening Guild, Men's Club, and Guests “Potluck Dinner” are invited at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall on **Tuesday, October 15**. Special speaker: Clayton Erdmann on “A Trip of Discovery: Faith, Family, Friends, & Foods.” Clayton is a teacher at Immanuel Lutheran School in Olivette, MO. *He is a historian who traveled to Europe in search of ancestors, many of whom were descendants of Red Bud. He will describe his experiences visiting sites associated with Martin Luther and the joys of reconnecting with friends and distant relatives.*

AUXILIARY OF CONCORDIA HISTORIAL INSTITUTE:

Concordia Historical Institute invites you to a special presentation by Dr. James L. Brauer on **Thursday, October 17th** at 1:30pm. This presentation will feature stories and a behind-the-scenes look at 100 years of architecture. Desert reception to follow. RVSP to 636-373-2767 by **October 10th**.

CHICKEN & PORK SAUSAGE DINNER:

St. Pius V Catholic Church in Walsh are having a chicken & pork sausage dinner on October 20th from 11am to 2pm. Dine in or carry out.

THE WIZARDS ARE COMING TO TOWN:

SJL Class of 2026 is helping PDR sell tickets for the upcoming basketball game between the Harlem Wizards and the Randolph County All-Stars on **Oct 27** at RBHS. Please select Red Bud Lutheran when entering ticket holder information. Get your tickets today!

<https://www.harlemwizards.com/tickets/prairiedurocher>

WURSTMARKT & COUNTRY STORE:

78th Annual Holy Cross Wurstmarkt & Country Store, at Renault, IL on **Sunday, October 27** from noon - 5:00 pm with handicap accessible dining. We have dine in or carry outs that include pork sausage, mashed potatoes, milk gravy, sauerkraut, corn, green beans, cranberry sauce, applesauce, our homemade apple butter, homemade pies, coffee & lemonade. It is \$13 for adults; \$7 for children 6 - 12 and children 5 and under are free. We do have a Country Store with fresh meat, our homemade apple butter, home baked goods and crafts.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

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; 10/11- Mary Ann Weber, Richard Roehrkasse, Wayne Schmitz, Paula Wiley, Laurie Wright, Garon Schnepel, Katie Harms, Reese Barden; 10/12- Omer Liefer, Betty Schmitz, Leonard Colbert, Jr., Ashley Eggemeyer, Elizabeth Russell. *(Please call our office with corrections!)*

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).*

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:

Three Springs-Chester: Eunice Wiatr; Oak Hill-Waterloo: Mary Gross, Jean Menke & Jody Winkelmann; Magnolia Terrace-Waterloo: June Lawrence; Cedarhurst Memory Care-Waterloo: Martha Rohlfing; Bethesda Gardens-Kirkwood: Ruth Hecht; Freeburg Care Center: Dorothy Byers & Wil Guebert; Ruma R&R: Kenneth & Geraldine Koester.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT GARDEN PLACE:

Kathryn Chunn, Elaine Guebert, Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Omer & Neva Liefer, Vernon Muench, Dorothy Papenberg, Darleen Scheffert, Paul Schrieber, Carl & Flo Zschiegner, Arlin & Helen Winkelman.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:

Pat Byer, Don & Betty Fausz, Nancy Holmstrom, Barb Korves, LuAnn Liefer, Joyce Lopez, Ed Luttmann, Viola Muench, Harold Thies, Trudy Woolbright

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 - Carl/Flo Zschiegner- Elder Joshua Voss (618/719-1840)

LCMS FOUNDATION:

God has entrusted you with His gifts to apply them to the care of family and support of ministry. You want to be sure that after the Lord has called you home, your intentions are followed. This is the purpose of putting a plan together. We can't defer this responsibility to anyone else, such as our children. We are the ones to whom God has entrusted responsibility. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can assist you in getting your plan organized. Contact Scott Radden at (618) 977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org for more information or to start your plan.

LIFE THOUGHTS FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE:

Our Almighty Maker carefully creates every human male or female (Genesis 2:21-22). Jesus Himself took on the same flesh in fertilization and gestation to redeem our entire race (Hebrews 2:14, 17). And the Lord our God calls even the littlest among us for His own (Mark 10:14). Could the Scriptures get any clearer about the sanctity of life? Can we?

SID CONVENTION NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN AND NEEDED:

Nominations are open for the offices to be elected by the Southern Illinois District Convention, February 20-22, 2025. Ordained and Commissioned members of the SID, and Lay members of an SID congregation may nominate individuals to the various offices to be elected, except for the offices of President and Vice-President. Our district needs faithful, qualified nominees who are willing to stand for election and serve if elected. Our district needs you to nominate those people of God. The nominations form is found at <https://sidlcms.org/nominations/>. The deadline for nominations is **October 31, 2024**. Please nominate early and often.

In Christ, Rev. Benjamin Ball, Chairman SID Commission of Nominations & Elections

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

Boys and Girls Basketball Coaches needed: If you know of someone who would be willing to coach our boys or girls teams, please contact Lisa Luebkekmann.

Annual Dinner Auction: Reservations for the Dinner Auction on **Saturday, November 2** are \$35 ea. or \$245 for a table of 8. Please send in your reservations by **October 15**. You can email

your reservation to auction@coslhs.org. Our mail has been delayed at times, emailing your reservation will ensure that we receive it by the 15th. We are still collecting items for the silent and live auction. Drop your items off at school or call to arrange for someone to pick up your donation.

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Vacancy Pastor Art Eichhorn 314/882-1983

Associate Pastor Brian Nowak 708/369-7741

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 – Cindy Nebel

Fifth Grade – Amanda Ruhmann Resource Teacher – Judy Stephens

Sixth Grade Homeroom – Doreen Schnepel

Seventh Grade Homeroom – Nancy Whelan

Eighth Grade Homeroom: Kristin Sachtleben Athletic Director – Scott Voss

Before/After School Care – Susan Luttmann

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, Brooke Supancic, Pam Henry, Melissa Schilling, Kaleigh Reith, Kaitlin Schmitz, Haley Ehler, Hailey Guebert, Courtney Schaefer, Brittany Smith, Callen Reitz, Madison Falkenhain, Leah Johnston, Lori Johnston, Kaitlyn Brown, Emma Trost, Madison Trask, Sarah Beth Nieweglowski, Mycah Clements, Tori Muench, Diane Everding, Molly Huether, Cailee Strong

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 Uffemann

Trustee Chair: Leonard Salger Estate Fund Chair: Brian Guebert

Lutheran High School Board: Vickie Heller and Christina Gidley

Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher/Liturgist: (Saturday) Pastor Art Eichhorn (Sunday) Pastor Mark Winkelman

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

Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Maverick Cowell; (8 a.m.) Aiden Kiefer; (10:30 a.m.) Brody Rahn

Greeters: (5 p.m.) Stanley & Lynn Langrehr; (8 a.m.) Cindy Steele & Joan Ruwald

(10:30 a.m.) Gerald & Jill Hanebutt

Video: Eric Fritsche/Justin Palm Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr

Flower Servers: Alice Guebert Paraments: Ella Hemmer