

Jesus Christ

is the same yesterday
and today and forever.

Hebrews 13:8

Our Savior Lutheran Church

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Order of Holy Communion

In Nomine Jesu



Ringinq of the Bells

Prelude

WUNDERBARER KÖNIG

By M. Burkhardt

Greetings & Announcements

Hymn of Invocation

GOD HIMSELF IS PRESENT

Text: Gerhard Tersteegen; Tune: Joachim Neander – “Wunderbarer König”; LSB #907 © 2006 CPH



1 God Him - self is pres - ent: Let us now a - dore Him
2 God Him - self is pres - ent: Hear the harps re - sound - ing;
3 Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Pu - ri - fy my spir - it,



And with awe ap - pear be - fore Him. God is in His
See the hosts the throne sur - round - ing. “Ho - ly, ho - ly,
Trust - ing on - ly in Your mer - it. Like the ho - ly



tem - ple; All with - in keep si - lence; Hum - bly kneel in
ho - ly!” Hear the hymn as - cend - ing, Songs of saints and
an - gels, Wor - ship - ing be - fore You, May I cease - less -



deep - est rev - 'rence. He a - lone On His throne
an - gels blend - ing. Bow Your ear To us here:
ly a - dore You. Let Your will Ev - er still



Is our God and Sav - ior; Praise His name for - ev - er!
Hear, O Christ, the prais - es That Your Church now rais - es.
Rule Your Church ter - res - trial As the hosts ce - les - tial.

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Invocation

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

C *Amen.*

(Kneel)

Confession of Sins

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.*

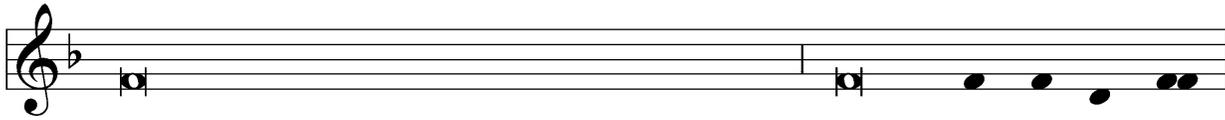
P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C *O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor miserable sinner, confess to you all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended you and justly deserve your punishment now and forever. 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. Forgive me all of my sins and grant me the power of your Holy Spirit that I may amend my sinful life.*

Pronouncement of Forgiveness

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 to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all of your sins in the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C *Amen.*



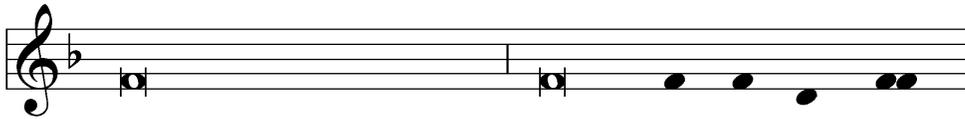
A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



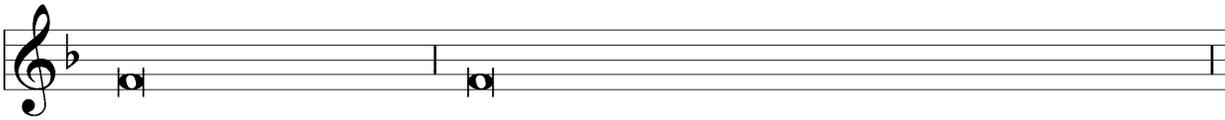
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



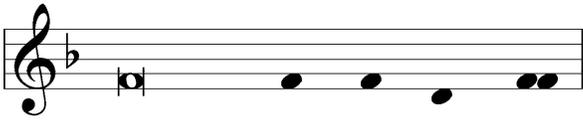
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



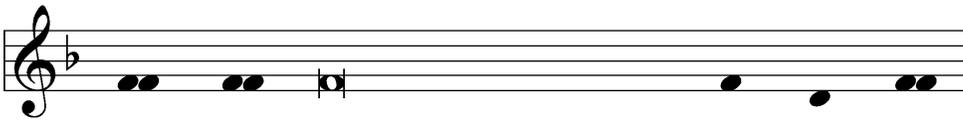
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

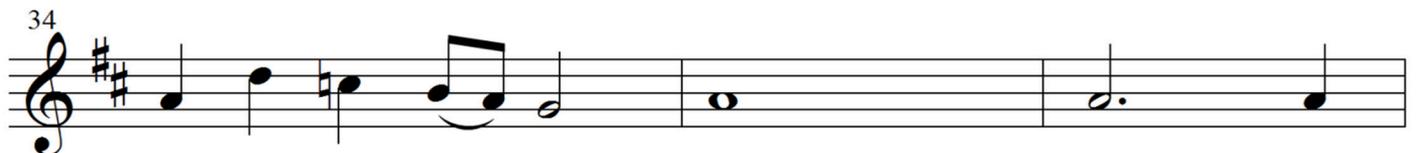


C A - men.

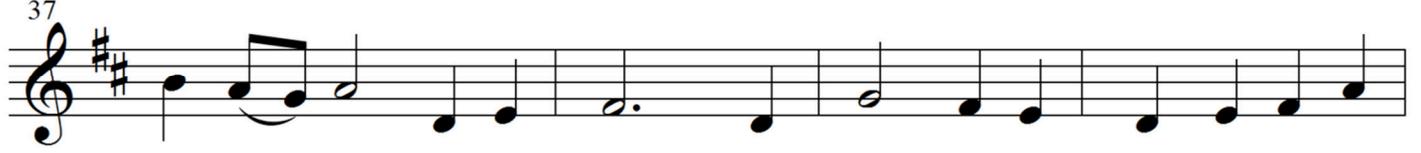
Hymn of Praise

(Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9)

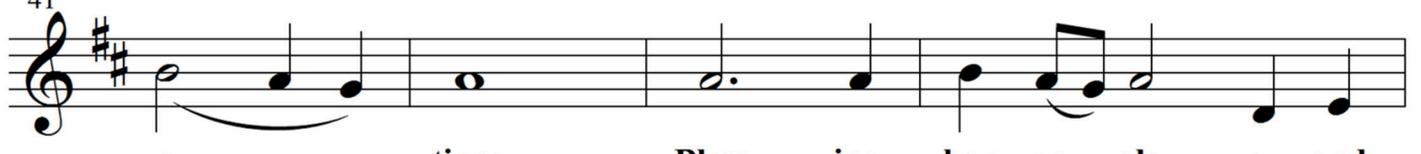
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-
lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Wor - thy is
Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us
free to be peo - ple of God. This is the
feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Pow - er,
rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and hon - or -
bless - ing and glo - ry are His. This is the
feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

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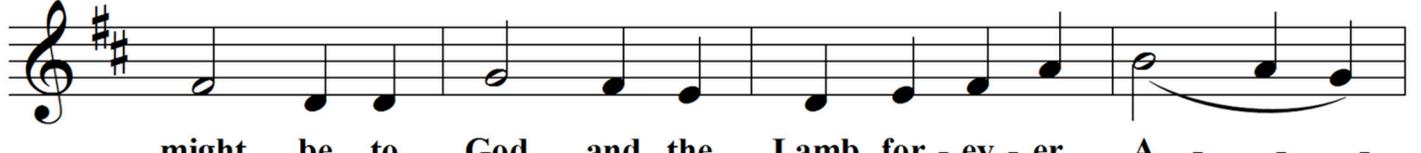
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Sing with

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 all the peo - ple of God, and join in the hymn of all cre -

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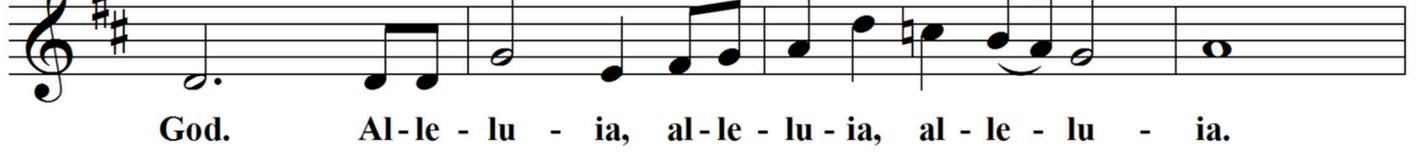
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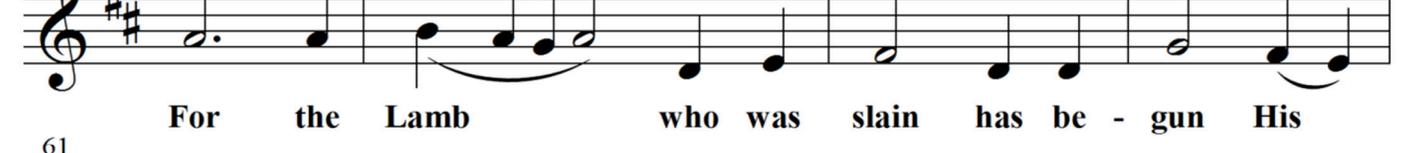
 might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - - -

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 men. This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our

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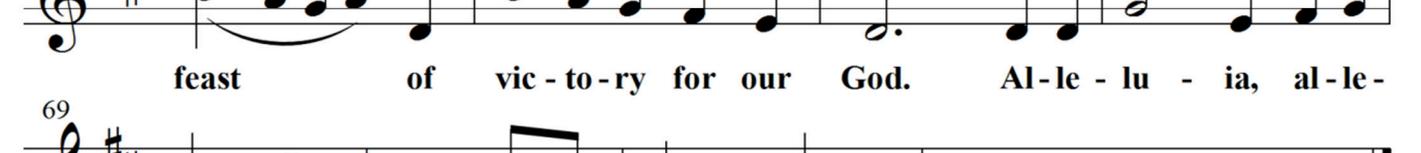
 God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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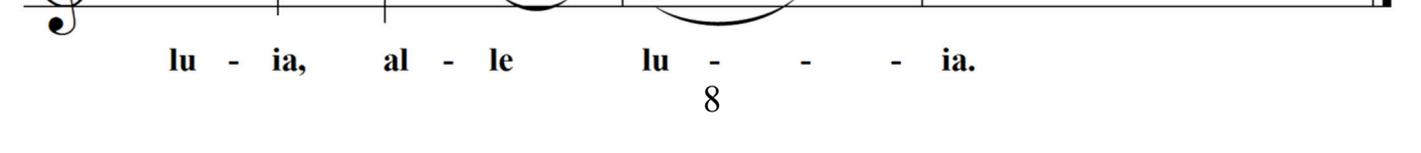
 For the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His

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 reign. Al - le - lu - - - ia. This is the

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 feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

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 lu - ia, al - le lu - - - ia.

Collect of the Day

(2 Timothy 4:22)



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

O Lord of grace and mercy, teach us by Your Holy Spirit to follow the example of Your Son in true humility, that we may withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds avoid ungodly pride; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C *Amen.*

(Be Seated)

Old Testament Reading

PROVERBS 25:2–10

[2] It is the glory of God to conceal things, but the glory of kings is to search things out. [3] As the heavens for height, and the earth for depth, so the heart of kings is unsearchable. [4] Take away the dross from the silver, and the smith has material for a vessel; [5] take away the wicked from the presence of the king, and his throne will be established in righteousness. [6] Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great, [7] for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble. What your eyes have seen [8] do not hastily bring into court, for what will you do in the end, when your neighbor puts you to shame? [9] Argue your case with your neighbor himself, and do not reveal another's secret, [10] lest he who hears you bring shame upon you, and your ill repute have no end.

The advice of the book of Proverbs is striking in its simplicity and practicality. Today's little gem from Proverbs' pages is reflected in Jesus' parable in the Gospel and teaches that it is better to humble oneself than to be humiliated by false pride. That goes without saying, yet how many there are who refuse to follow that advice.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C *Thanks be to God.*

Gradual

(Intoned by Pastor; Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.)

Fear the LORD, | you his saints,*
for those who fear him lack | nothing!
Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,*
but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.

Epistle Reading

HEBREWS 13:1–17

[1] Let brotherly love continue. [2] Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. [3] Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body. [4] Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous. [5] Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, “I will never leave you nor forsake you.” [6] So we can confidently say, “The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?” [7] Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. [8] Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. [9] Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings, for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited those devoted to them. [10] We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. [11] For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy places by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. [12] So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. [13] Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured. [14] For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. [15] Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. [16] Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. [17] Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you.

“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.” In a changing world what is expected of those who follow him does not change either. Love is to rule their hearts, guide their actions, and govern their relationships. That calls for support of the brother and sister, hospitality, purity, generosity, and self-sacrifice.

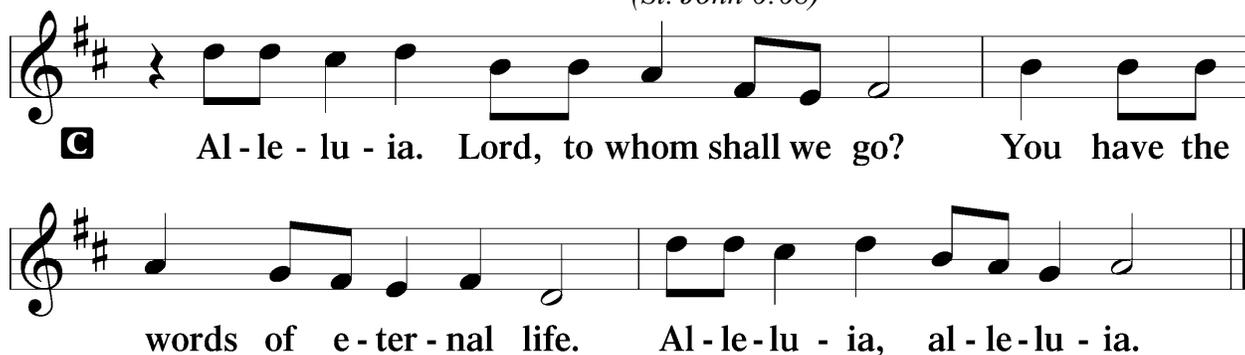
P This is the Word of the Lord.

C *Thanks be to God.*

(Stand)

Alleluia and Verse

(St. John 6:68)



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

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



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

Gospel Reading

ST. LUKE 14:1-14

[1] One Sabbath, when [Jesus] went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. [2] And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. [3] And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?" [4] But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. [5] And he said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?" [6] And they could not reply to these things. [7] Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, [8] "When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, [9] and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this person,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. [10] But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. [11] For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted." [12] He said also to the man who had

Here is one of those places where God reminds us that the highest dignity is humility. Jesus tells the highly respected teachers of the Law that they should not take the seats of honor when invited to a dinner. This was unheard of in a culture where the teacher (rabbi) was automatically the honored one in the community. Nevertheless, it is true that in the Kingdom, as in the banquet halls of Palestine, one could be asked to take a lower seat and be humiliated.

invited him, “When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. [13] But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, [14] and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. You will be repaid at the resurrection of the just.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

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 Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father;
And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead;
Whose kingdom shall have no end.*

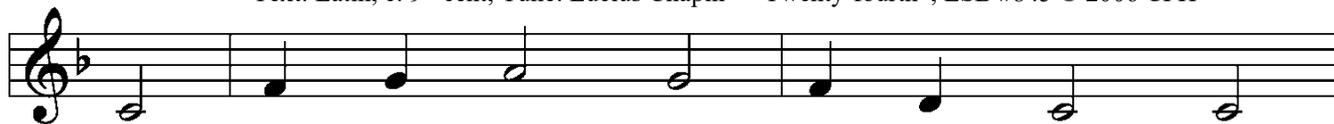
*And I believe in the Holy Ghost,
The Lord and Giver of Life,
Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
Who spake by the Prophets.
And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
And I look for the resurrection of the dead,
And the life of the world to come. Amen.*

(Be Seated)

Sermon Hymn

WHERE CHARITY AND LOVE PREVAIL

Text: Latin, c. 9th cent; Tune: Lucius Chapin – “Twenty-fourth”; LSB #845 © 2006 CPH



1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail There
2 With grate - ful joy and ho - ly fear His
3 For - give we now each oth - er's faults As
4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known; Let



God is ev - er found; Brought here to - geth - er
char - i - ty we learn; Let us with heart and
we our faults con - fess, And let us love each
all con - ten - tion cease; Be God's the glo - ry



by Christ's love By love are we thus bound.
mind and soul Now love Him in re - turn.
oth - er well In Chris - tian ho - li - ness.
that we seek; Be ours His ho - ly peace.

5 Let us recall that in our midst Dwells Christ, His only Son;
As members of His body joined We are in Him made one.

6 For love excludes no race or clan That names the Savior's name;
His family embraces all Whose Father is the same.

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Sermon

TEXT: ST. LUKE 14:7-11
“COMING TO THE WEDDING”

(Stand)

Votum

Offertory

(Psalm 104:14-15; Isaiah 25:6; 1 Corinthians 5:7)

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the
hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and
give us A fore - taste of the feast to come.

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Offering Prayer

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Offering

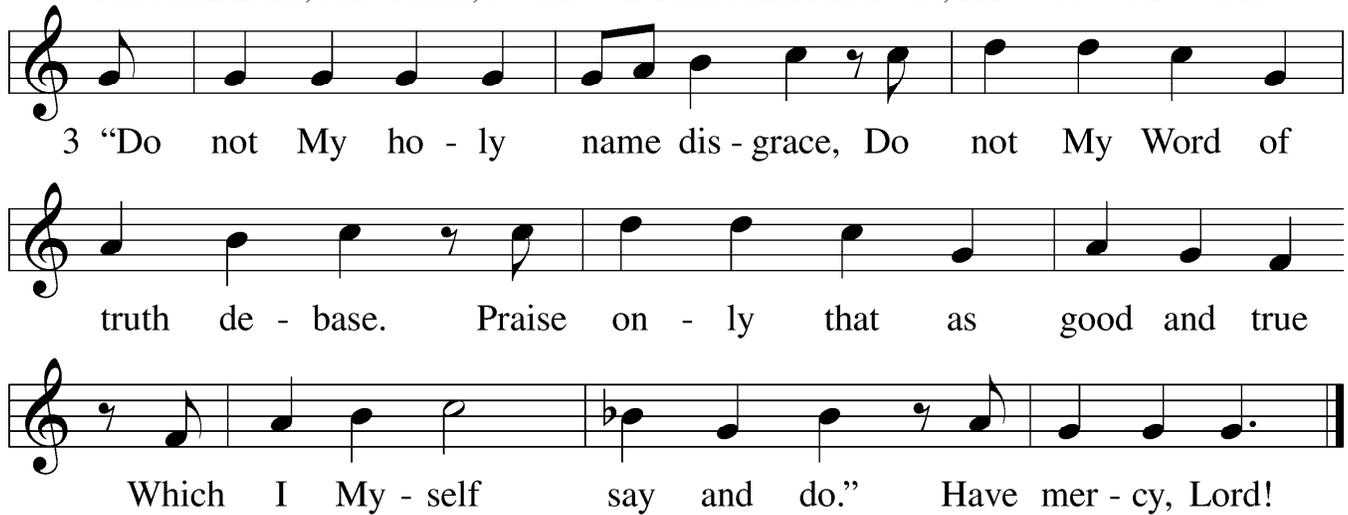
Voluntary

WHERE CHARITY AND LOVE PREVAIL

Catechism Hymn

THESE ARE THE HOLY TEN COMMANDS

Text: Martin Luther; Tune: German, 13th cent. – “In Gottes Namen Fahren Wir”; LSB #581 st. 3 © 2006 CPH



3 “Do not My ho - ly name dis - grace, Do not My Word of
truth de - base. Praise on - ly that as good and true
Which I My - self say and do.” Have mer - cy, Lord!

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The weekly recitation of the scripture and catechism lessons in the Divine Service helps to link us together with the children of our congregation and school who work weekly on the memorization of these texts. In the Divine Service we gather and recall the words of our youth, the words of our confirmation, the words of eternal life. The Catechism is more than a text book. The Catechism is a prayer book which is used throughout our life. The Catechism as a prayer book speaks to all our needs, giving us God’s promises so that we might learn to “ask Him as dear children ask their dear Father.” The Catechism even gives us the very words with which to pray.

Catechism Lesson

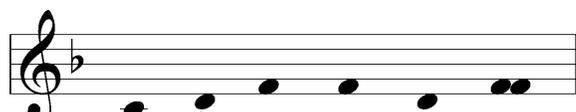
- P** A lesson from Titus 1:9 –
- C** *[The overseer] must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it.*
- P** What is the Second Commandment?
- C** *You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.*
- P** What does this mean?
- C** *We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.*

(Stand)

Intercessory Prayer

Preface

Worship Note: The sound of the Zimbelstern announces the invitation that brings the realms of heaven and voices here on earth to sing the great hymn of praise to our Lord. As the Pastor reads “therefore with angels and archangels....” the bells peal in festive celebration.



P The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)



C And al - so with you.

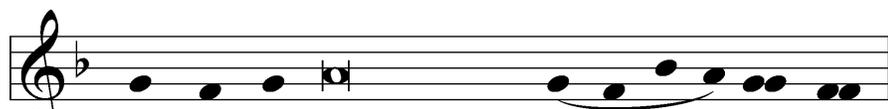


P Lift up your hearts.

(Colossians 3:1)



C We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

(Psalm 136)



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, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

Sanctus

(Isaiah 6:3; St. Matthew 21:9)



C 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.

Lord's Prayer

(St. Matthew 6:9-13)

- 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*

Words of Institution

(St. Matthew 26:26-28)

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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

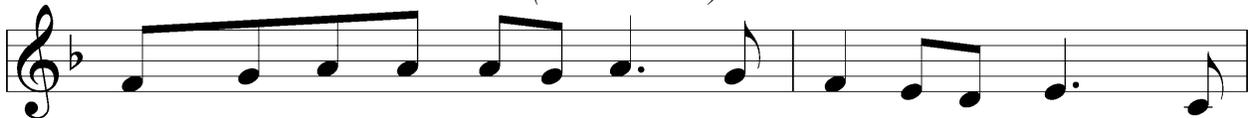
Pax Domini

(St. John 20:19)

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C *And also with you.*

Agnus Dei

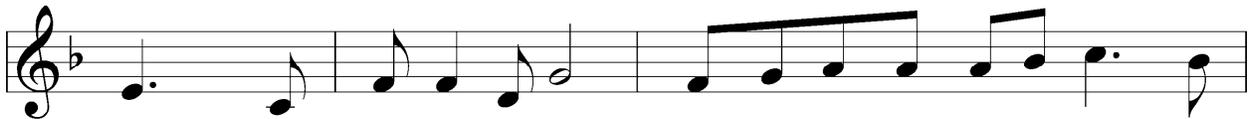
(St. John 1:29)



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.

(Be Seated)

Distribution

(This congregation observes the Biblical practice of “Closed Communion,” outlined in the Communion Policy Statement in the announcements of the bulletin. If you have not communed with us previously and have not had the opportunity to speak with our Pastor about communion attendance, we respectfully request that you refrain from participating in the Sacrament this morning. Thank you for your kindness.)

Distribution Hymns

WHEN MORNING GILDS THE SKIES

Text: tr. Robert S. Bridges; Tune: Joseph Barnby – “Laudes Domini”; LSB #807 © 2006 CPH



1 When morn-ing gilds the skies, My heart, a - wak - ing, cries,
2 When mirth for mu - sic longs, This is my song of songs:
3 No love-lier an - ti - phon In all high heav'n is known
4 Ye na - tions of man - kind, In this your con - cord find:
5 Sing, suns and stars of space, Sing, ye that see His face,



“May Je - sus Christ be praised!” When eve - ning shad - ows fall,
“May Je - sus Christ be praised!” God's ho - ly house of prayer
Than “Je - sus Christ be praised!” There to the e - ter - nal Word
“May Je - sus Christ be praised!” Let all the earth a - round
Sing, “Je - sus Christ be praised!” God's whole cre - a - tion o'er,



This rings my cur-few call: “May Je - sus Christ be praised!”
Hath none that can com-pare With “Je - sus Christ be praised!”
The e - ter - nal psalm is heard: “May Je - sus Christ be praised!”
Ring joy - ous with the sound: “May Je - sus Christ be praised!”
Both now and ev - er - more Shall Je - sus Christ be praised!

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JESUS COMES TODAY WITH HEALING

Text: Heinrich Puchta; Tune: Johann Löhner – “Alles Ist An Gottes Segen”; LSB #620 © 2006 CPH



1 Je - sus comes to - day with heal - ing, Knock - ing at my
2 Christ Him - self, the priest pre - sid - ing, Yet in bread and
3 Un - der bread and wine, though low - ly, I re - ceive the
4 God de - scends with heav'n - ly pow - er, Gives Him - self to



door, ap - peal - ing, Of - f'ring par - don, grace, and peace.
wine a - bid - ing In this ho - ly sac - ra - ment,
Sav - ior ho - ly, Blood and bod - y, giv'n for me,
me this hour In this or - di - nar - y sign.



He Him - self makes prep - a - ra - tion, And I hear His
Gives the bread of life, once bro - ken, And the cup, the
Ver - y Lamb of God from heav - en, Who to bit - ter
On my tongue His pledge re - ceiv - ing, I ac - cept His



in - vi - ta - tion: “Come and taste the bless - ed feast.”
pre - cious to - ken Of His sa - cred cov - e - nant.
death was giv - en, Hung up - on the curs - ed tree.
grace, be - liev - ing That I taste His love di - vine.

5 Let me praise God's boundless favor,
Whose own feast of love I savor,
Bidden by His gracious call.
Wedding garments He provides me,
With a robe of white He hides me,
Fits me for the royal hall.

6 Now have I found consolation,
Comfort in my tribulation,
Balm to heal the troubled soul.
God, my shield from ev'ry terror,
Cleanses me from sin and error,
Makes my wounded spirit whole.

LET ALL MORTAL FLESH KEEP SILENCE

Text: Liturgy of St. James, 5th cent.; Tune: French, 17th cent. – “Picardy”; LSB #621 © 2006 CPH



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

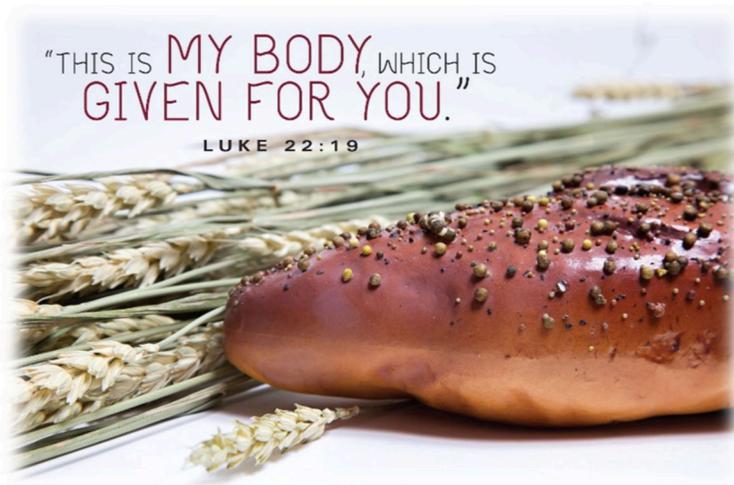


For with bless - ing in His hand Christ our God to earth de -
 In the bod - y and the blood, He will give to all the
 From the realms of end - less day, Comes the pow'rs of hell to
 As with cease - less voice they cry: “Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



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!”

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(Stand)

Post-Communion Canticle

THANK THE LORD



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



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



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



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

Post-Communion Collect

P We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C *Amen.*

Benediction

(Numbers 6:24-26)

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Closing Hymn

SON OF GOD, ETERNAL SAVIOR

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1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and
2 As You, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, So may we for
3 Come, O Christ, and reign a - mong us, King of love and
4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and



truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us
oth - ers live. Free - ly have Your gifts been grant - ed;
Prince of Peace; Hush the storm of strife and pas - sion,
truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us



Hal - lows all our hu - man race, You our Head, who, throned in
Free - ly may Your ser - vants give. Yours the gold and Yours the
Bid its cru - el dis - cords cease. By Your pa - tient years of
Hal - lows all our hu - man race: By Your pray - ing, by Your



glo - ry, For Your own will ev - er plead: Fill us with Your
sil - ver, Yours the wealth of land and sea; We but stew - ards
toil - ing, By Your si - lent hours of pain, Quench our fe - vered
will - ing That Your peo - ple should be one, Grant, O grant our



love and pit - y, Heal our wrongs, and help our need.
of Your boun - ty Held in sol - emn trust will be.
thirst of plea - sure, Stem our self - ish greed of gain.
hope's fru - i - tion: Here on earth Your will be done.

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Postlude

SON OF GOD

By J. Scott

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Welcome!

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Enter reverently, meditate quietly, worship sincerely, serve Christ faithfully.

It is our heartfelt prayer that all who worship here this day may encounter the love of our Savior. According to His promise, He is here today reaching out to us in love through Word and Sacrament. If you are seeking a church home, we hope that you have found it here so that we may rejoice in serving the Lord together. If we can be of service to you or your family in any way please do not hesitate to ask.

PRAYER OF THE DAY: O God in heaven, like a potter you framed the universe, and with your hands you made us. You fashioned creation to fulfill your purpose. Through Christ you restore that which is broken; by your Holy Spirit you enflame us with zeal to obey. Look down from heaven to see if there are any who act wisely; you will see us and hear us praising your name. Amen

ATTENDANCE CARDS – MEMBERS (yellow) & VISITORS (blue), remember to fill out an attendance card listing all in attendance for your family. Please note any changes, otherwise you do not have to fill in the address information each week. It is appreciated if first-time visitors would include their address and phone number. Email and work numbers are helpful for inner-office needs. By filling out a card, your attendance and communing is recorded, and your comments are addressed. It is not necessary to indicate common or individual cup. Place cards in the offering plate or give to an usher on your way out. Thanks!

- *The Cry-Room and the four row spans directly in front of it are reserved for parents with small children. Thank you.*
- *Hearing devices are available from the ushers if you need this assistance.*



HOLY COMMUNION will be celebrated next on Sunday, August 28 @ 9:30 AM. “Let a man examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup.” *1 Corinthians 11:28*

The Word of God teaches that the bread and wine of the Sacrament are the true Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ.

This precious gift of God’s grace is to be received in a sense of reverent awe after careful self-examination. The Bible defines that self-examination as a personal recognition of the real presence of Christ’s Body and Blood in the Sacrament, and a repentant acknowledgment of my own sinfulness recognizing my absolute dependence upon Christ as the only source of forgiveness for my sin. Scripture further instructs that our participation in Christ’s Body and Blood together is the most profound and powerful way for Christians to acknowledge their unity in the faith. That is to say, when we share in the Body and Blood of Jesus at this altar, we are thereby indicating our common commitment to all of the doctrines of God’s Word as they are taught in this congregation. Because of these Biblical convictions, we respectfully request that visitors, who wish to join us in receiving the Body and Blood of Christ and thereby identify with our confession of Bible truth, speak with one of our pastors before attending the Lord’s Supper.

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Adult Bible Classes & Sunday School Options for All:

8:15 AM –

Genesis: The Beginning of All Things – A study of Creation in Scripture, chapters 1-11 (Pastor White - Bible Class Room)

10:45 AM –

Hebrews: This document is profound in substance and rich in significance. It was the latest of the twenty-seven books to be formally recognized by the early church as a part of God's Word. Every book of the Bible is self-authenticating in that it speaks with the inherent authority and power of God. (Pastor White - Bible Class Room)

Lutheran Confessions: Our Lutheran Confessions were developed out of a genuine concern with false teachings obscuring the glory and merit of our Savior. These unconditional affirmations are as understandable and poignant today as when they were written. Learn their history and development, as well as their relevance in the daily life of a Christian. Through discussion, you will see how others are asking the same questions and how Scripture offers solid, reliable answers. (James Kriegel, C101)

Bethel Bible Series: We are proud to be Christians following in the footsteps of Martin Luther's teachings of Scripture alone, grace alone, and faith alone through Christ alone. Our focus is based solely on the Bible. It alone is our rule and guide. The Bethel class is now studying the Old Testament which serves as a foundation for studying the New Testament. If you have never studied the Bible or would like to sharpen or improve your overall knowledge level then please consider joining the Bethel Class. (Herb Peterson, C102)

Women's Bible Study: As a Christian, you face the pressure and stressors of the world daily. You look for rest at every turn—rest from your job, family drama, personal struggles—but the only true rest can come from Christ. Michelle Diercks invites you to find His *Promised Rest* by studying eight different names and characteristics of God. This study will feature a new name or characteristic of God along with its pronunciation and a biblical fact about it. Learn how you can, and should, cling to God's names during times of anxiety and hardship. (Family Room, Church)

Applying Scripture to Current Events: This class for young adults will focus on today's headlines and current events and discuss these topics in light of scripture and how the verses covered each week apply to everyday life. (Adam White, C106)

The Early Church: The history of the first four centuries of the early Church, exploring how God guided and sustained the first Christians, and what it means for us today. (Karl Baughman, Cafeteria)

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETS AS LISTED –

High School – 4:12 Youth Room

5th Grade – C113

Kindergarten – B107

3rd - 4th Grade – C116

3 & 4 yrs – B108

6th - 8th Grade – C103

1st - 2nd Grade – C115

18 mos. – 3 yrs – B111



The flowers are given to the glory of God by Nell Bitner in celebration of Deanie Stephens' birthday 8/25; and by Gene & Connie Kunkel in loving memory of Kurby Hackemack.

The Flower Chart is available to sponsor the church flowers for your special occasions! Each flower arrangement is \$45. You will find the flower clipboard on the hutch in the narthex. Remember to write a "W" if you want the flowers, or "S" to send them to the sick. Thank you!

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION: Remember to log in to your Breeze account, and make sure all your contact information is correct – phone numbers, address, email accounts, etc. You can even add your own PHOTO. Call the church office if you need help: 713-290-9087.

Life With God-New Member Classes: Our adult information class covers the most important teachings of the Bible as they are believed, taught and confessed in this Lutheran Congregation. The class is designed for anyone considering membership in Our Savior Lutheran Church and for members of the congregation who would like a great review of basic Bible doctrine. It should be particularly interesting for both member and non-member school parents to familiarize yourself with what your kids are learning in class every day. **Class will continue through August, on Mondays from 7:00-8:30pm.** *Babysitting and refreshments are provided.*

Young Adults—Mondays—7PM—OSL Youth Room: This group is young adults (both married and single). We meet on Monday evenings at 7PM in the 4:12 Lounge (the Youth Room). We'll have snacks and refreshments as we gather to study and visit. Please tell your friends!

WEEKLY MEN'S BIBLE STUDY –All men are invited on Wednesday mornings in the Bible Class Room, at 6:30-7:30 a.m. Contact Channing Wood at channing@toddyblends.com.

PASTOR WHITE'S WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS meets from 10:00-12:00, and we are studying *Romans, Chief Part of the New Testament and the Very Purest Gospel*. Make Bible study a regular part of your schedule. Food and fellowship provided of course!

ZOOM BIBLE STUDY THURSDAYS – Join us for the Word on the Web as we study Matthew's Gospel on Thursdays at 6PM. Go to: <https://osl.cc/the-word-on-the-web> to join the study. You need Zoom installed on your phone or computer with microphone and camera to participate.

We are in need of some part-time aides in the Early Childhood Center.

If you know of someone or you, yourself, is interested, please, e-mail Lynette Cherington at lcherington@oslschool.org. Below are some more details about the position:

- **Some experience in working with children**
- **Nurturing/caring**
- **Share God's love daily with His children**
- **Will work well with lead teacher to help execute the plan for the day**
- **Joyful**
- **Flexible**
- **5 day a week positions available - averages 25 – 30 hours a week**
- **Must be 18 years old and a high school graduate**



COME JOIN OSL'S MUSIC MINISTRY! **Carillon Ringers** begins on **Thursday, September 8th at 6:15** and **Jubilate Choir** begins at **7:00**. Both groups meet in the choir loft. No prior musical knowledge is needed, just a desire to praise the Lord in this special way. **Laudate Choir** (women's choir) will begin on **Sunday, September 11th** following Bible Study in the **CHURCH music room**. (*Please note change in location*). Being part of the music ministry is a great way to make new friends or catch up with old ones. If you have any questions, please contact Jeff Armstrong.



CART CREW DRIVERS NEEDED! Please consider joining a Cart Crew Team! You must be 16 or older and have a valid driver's license. Please contact the church office to add your name to the list.

GREETERS NEEDED to serve the Lord with gladness! Get to know your fellow church family. Call Pastor Krieg for information: 713-290-9087, ext 209.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for audio-visual ministries: If you would like to learn from a "hands on" perspective, call 713-290-9087, leave your name, number, and we will contact you. No experience needed.



FLAGPOLE REFURBISHING...

Ben Witt is working on an **Eagle Scout project at OSL** and he will be refurbishing the flagpole area. The project will cost about \$1,100. You can help by going to his **GoFundMe.com** account under **Ben Witt**, or money could be given directly through OSL with *flagpole project* written in the memo.

Thank you for your help!

Volleyball!

We will start coed volleyball on **Sunday, Sept 11 in the gym at 6:00pm**. If you or anyone you know is interested, they can contact Brian Waiser at allthewaiser@gmail.com.



Cheerful Helpers!

We invite you to join us for the annual election meeting on **Saturday, September 17th at 10am** in the Bible classroom.

RECYCLE Paper in the bin which is now in the back parking lot to the north.

JOBS – Toddy, Inc. Winery, Distillery, Brewery and Event Venue is currently hiring for the following positions: Daiquiri Store Attendants, Bartenders, Bar-Backs, Servers, Drivers, Salesmen and Cooks. Send resume to recruiter@toddyoaks.com, located at 20120 Franz Rd, Katy, TX 77449.



STAMPS – Cheerful Helpers are collecting stamps trimmed to 1/4". Please put them in the mailbox in Pastor White's Bible Class Room. – Sandi Hall, Human Care Chairman.

Greeting Cards are available in the Bible Class Room. Each box is \$6 or \$7. Make checks payable to OSL, with Circle of Grace in the memo.

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KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM — Please make sure your account has our new NPO account number, **XB926**. Log in to your account at Kroger.com, place the cursor on the Savings & Rewards link at the top left-hand side, and click on Kroger Community Rewards. Choose the “View Details” button under “I’m a Customer”. Verify that the Organization Number is **XB926**. You should also see “You are contributing to Our Savior Lutheran School” at the bottom of your grocery receipt.

ANNOUNCEMENT CHANGES!!

Our congregation is growing!

While that is a great thing, it necessitates a change in how Sunday announcements are made.

Announcements can no longer be made in the Sunday services, but CAN be made in the **Sunday bulletin** and the **monthly newsletters** if they are received in time to have them proofed, and information verified in time for printing. The requestor’s name and contact information (email is fine) needs to be included, both for Member and Church/School requests. Requests made on Sunday morning before Service will probably not be able to be made in that Service.

- **For Sunday bulletins**, all information must be received in the Church office by Noon on Wednesday of each week.
- **For newsletters**, all information must be received in Church office by the 15th of the current month for the next month’s newsletter.
- **For website updates**, as time permits, the Church website can be updated as needed, but please give at least two business days to help us out.

****Don’t forget to let the Church office know if you need to schedule a meeting room.** Last minute schedules are not impossible, but cannot be guaranteed. A minimum of a week is needed, a month is better. We will run the traps with the school to confirm that the schedule will not impact school meetings and activities and /or other church activities. Plus, it is the only way that AC and Heating can be scheduled for you!

Please email: jhester@osl.cc, bmushinski@osl.cc, sbaughman@osl.cc or the church email church@osl.cc with your requests, or call us at 713-290-9087. **Thank you.**

Let’s keep our congregation growing!





Don't Forget to Tithe!

Use the OSL app from Subsplash! It is free in the App Store. No monthly fee -No set up fee -No hidden fees.

Lowest processing rates that drop as your giving increases.

All credit and debit cards (including AMEX) are processed at 2.3% + .30 cents per transaction.

All ACH donations are 1% with no cents. "GIVE" link at the top of our website: www.OSL.cc

MEASURE OF DEVOTION: Last Sunday, we had 367 people in attendance (last year 301), 361 viewers online.

Our Ministry Challenge

Tithes & Offerings for last week	\$ 20,936.54
Tithes & Offerings to date – week 34	\$ 1,152,950.43
Tithes & Offerings needed each week	\$ 39,769.23
Tithes & Offerings needed to date – week 34.....	\$ 1,352,153.83
General Fund Income to date	\$ 2,667,601.77
Special Contributions to date	\$ 354,902.89

“Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.” Malachi 3:10

Please use your assigned envelopes which are mailed to you, and have your number on them. That way we can be sure you are properly credited for ALL your contributions. Thank You!

Those To Serve:

Today, August 28, at 9:30 AM

ELDERS: Bruce Blake / John Wilbanks / Bo Guevara / Aaron White
USHERS: Gobrogge Team
SOUND: Wilbanks/Witt
CARTS: Gavin Team
ACOLYTES: Sophie Bennett / Heidi Nitsch
ALTAR GLD: Barbara Mushinski Team
COMM. ASST: Bruce Blake / John Wilbanks / Bo Guevara / Brad Whiting / Aaron White
EVANGELISM: Team 1 Garry
GREETERS: Team 3
MUSIC: —
VIDEO: Amélie Boerger / Chad Greenwood / Mitchell Stephens / Adam White / Wesley White

Next Sunday, September 4, at 9:30 AM

James Kriegel / Alvin Fritsche / Ken Wright / Jeff Musgrove
 Lehr Team
 Greenwood
 Gerard Team
 Matthew O’Neill / Aryana Reyes
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 Team 2 Ken
 Team 4

OSL at a Glance

Sunday, August 28, 2022

<i>Event</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>
Bible Class	8:15 am	Bible Class Room
Communion	9:30 am	Church & online
Sunday School	10:45 am	
Jr Youth Fusion-A101	4:30 pm	Cafeteria A101

Monday, August 29, 2022

Adult Information Class-BC	7:00 pm	Bible Class Room
Young Adults-YR	7:00 pm	Youth Room

Tuesday, August 30, 2022

Parochial Ed-A102E	7:00 pm	School
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Wednesday, August 31, 2022

Men's Bible Study-BC	6:30 am	Bible Class Room
Bible Class-BC	10:00 am	Bible Class Room
Bulletin Deadline	12:00 pm	Church Office

Thursday, September 1, 2022

Prayer Request printing deadline	3:00 pm	Church office
Zoom Bible Study	6:00 pm	https://osl.cc/the-word-on-the-web
Lutheran Confessions Bible Study Group-BC	7:00 pm	Bible Class Room

Saturday, September 3, 2022

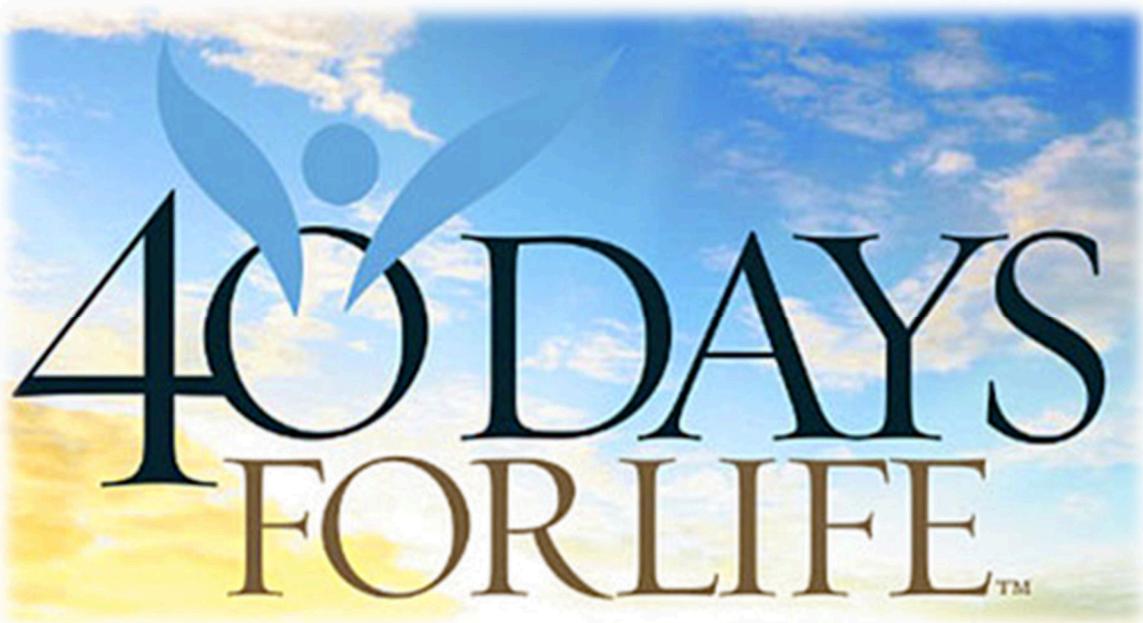
Men Alive-A101	8:30 am	cafeteria
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Sunday, September 4, 2022

Bible Class	8:15 am	Bible Class Room
Matins-Baptism	9:30 am	Church & online
Sunday School	10:45 am	
Sr Youth Meeting	4:12 pm	Youth Room

Thank you for all the donations during our Baby Bottle Boomerang! Night Circle collected \$3,080.50 this year. We will be giving this to Houston Coalition for Life during their annual Walk for Life fundraiser from OSL!





Dear Fellow Houston Lutherans:

The overturning of Roe vs Wade has been an incredible answer to our prayers but there is still work to be done. In our home state of Texas, women are still being seen at abortion clinics to be referred out-of-state for abortion procedures to end their babies' lives. The Fall **40 Days for Life** Campaign is from Sep 28 to Nov 6, Mondays-Saturdays, outside of Planned Parenthood, Gulf Freeway, from 7am-7pm.

Please consider standing or sitting in a lawn chair outside Planned Parenthood and **praying for 2 hours on Tuesday, October 4th**, any time from **7:00 am to 7:00 pm**. *Typically, shifts are 2 hours but there is no requirement. If you can spare an hour or 30 minutes, it will be very much appreciated.*

There is much power in prayer! Just look what God has done thus far! Now that He has our nation's collective attention, perhaps we can be useful in His plan to turn the hearts of the cold and apathetic to His love and care.

Will you stand with us?

Please email cindyablake@yahoo.com or call **832-398-5303** to sign up for any time you have available.

Thanks so much. See you on the curb!



Run & Walk for Life!

Despite the overturning of Roe v. Wade on June 24, 2022, abortion facilities are still taking appointments for abortion vulnerable women every day. Only one of seven abortion facilities has closed in Houston, and the ones that remain open, including Planned Parenthood on Gulf Freeway, are referring women out of state and in many cases paying for their abortion. In addition, the abortion pill remains a great cause for concern because it continues to be easily obtained through the Black Market, even here in Texas.

Because Houston Coalition for Life's Blue Blossom Pregnancy Centers provide free pregnancy tests and ultrasounds, we have been able to counsel many of these abortion minded women seeking the abortion pill and provided them the life-affirming options they deserve.

Thanks be to God – most chose life!

YOU, your family, and your friends can Run/Walk For Life 2022! It's a 2 mile walk or a 5K fun run celebrating HCL's 20th Anniversary, on Saturday, **September 10th, from 8:00am - 11:00am, at All Saints Catholic Church, 215 E 10th Street, Houston, TX 77008.**

Funds raised will benefit Houston Coalition for Life's expanding Blue Blossom Pregnancy Centers: Big Blue, Baby Blue, our newest addition – The Little One – and our main office. Your support will help us continue offering free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, and Christian Counseling to women in crisis pregnancies.

Registration is Open! Scan this code and join the life-saving work with our **OSL Life Team** by registering to walk/run or just be a sponsor!



WE'RE ONLY AT 2% OF OUR GOAL OF \$50,000...
CAN YOU HELP?
(scan code with phone to donate)

Thanks!

"So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish."
Matthew 18:14

