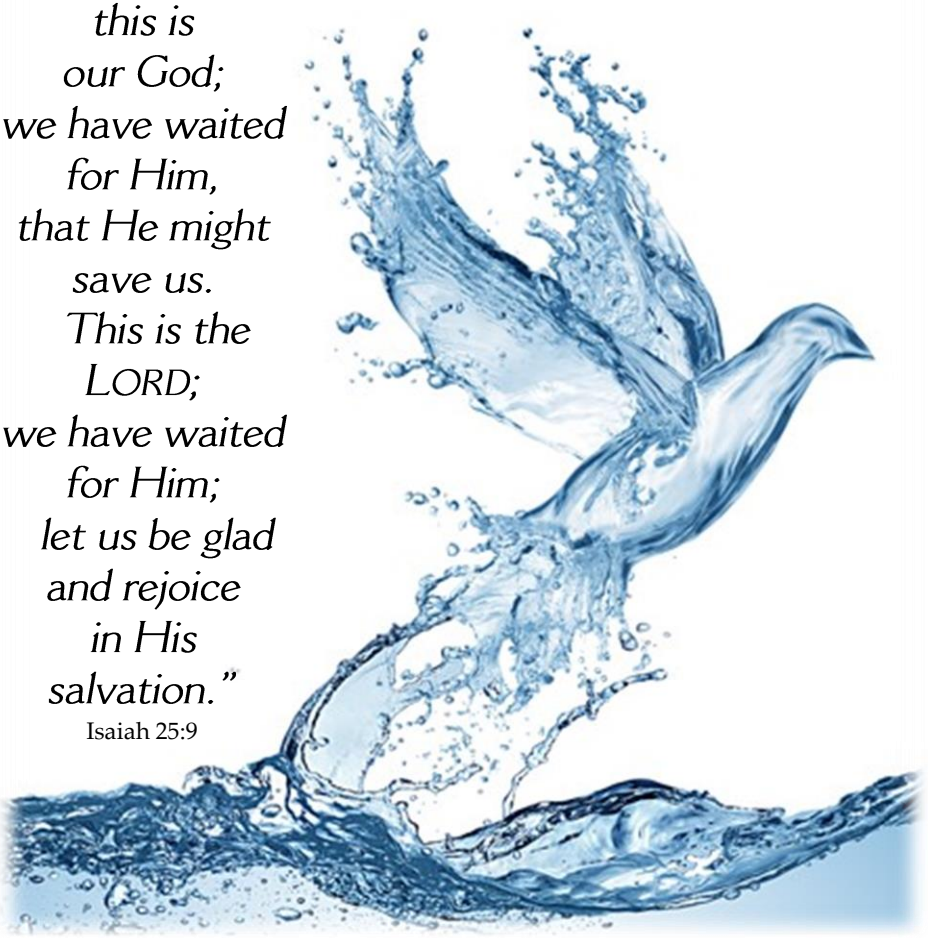
"Behold,
this is
our God;
we have waited
for Him,
that He might
save us.
This is the
LORD;
we have waited
for Him;
let us be glad
and rejoice
in His
salvation."

Isaiah 25:9



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Today we welcome Pastor Micah Wildauer and Pastor Patrick Gumz as they lead us in worship and song. May the Lord bless us through their words and service.

The Lord's Supper is a very special privilege God gives to His people.
Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because the Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive this sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder. If you are not partaking of the Lord's Supper but would like to receive a blessing, please come up to the communion rail when sent by an elder, kneel, and cross your arms over your chest. The Pastor will then know that you desire a blessing.

OUR OFFERINGS TO THE LORD FROM HIS BLESSINGS TO US.
Offerings remind us of the blessings God has given us and are an opportunity to thank Him for what He has done in our lives. Please place your offerings in our Offering Box located in the narthex of the church, near the water fountain.

Children are precious to the Lord and to us as well. Children are a vital part of our church family. They learn and grow in their faith by regularly worshipping with us. It gives us great joy when Christ's little ones gather with us to receive the gifts of salvation *(Matthew 18:10).* They may fidget and fuss as they learn to sit and hear God's word but they are a gift from the Lord (Psalm 127:3) and we welcome all children to be actively participating in the service. Barring a cry of ear-drum shattering proportions, we encourage you to keep your children in the sanctuary as long as possible, but if you feel you need to take your child out, there is a Nursery located just outside the sanctuary. **Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven."** *Matthew 19:14*

Matt. 28:19: *Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.* To be baptized in God's name is to be baptized not by men but by God Himself. What a great, excellent thing baptism is. It delivers us from the devil's jaws and makes us God's own. For this reason, let everyone value his baptism as a daily dress in which he is to walk constantly. "Heaven which before was closed, is opened by Christ's baptism and a window and door now stand open for us to see through. No longer is there a barrier between God and us, since God himself descends at the Jordan. The Father lets his voice be heard, the Son sanctifies baptism with his body, and the Holy Spirit descends in the form of a dove."

Excerpts from the Large Catechism and Luther's sermon on Baptism

Baptism Hymn 594 "God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It"
(John 14:23; 1 John 4:19; John 8:12)

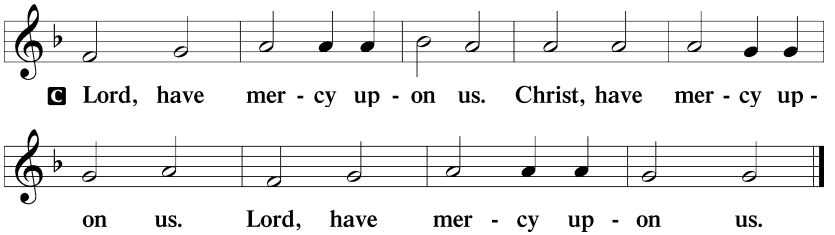
Rite of Holy Baptism *LSB pages 268-271*
Baptism of Genevieve Claire Miller

✢ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✢

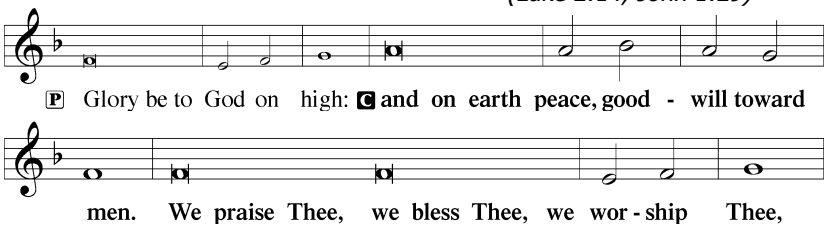
Introit *Isaiah 61:10; antiphon Psalm 146:2*
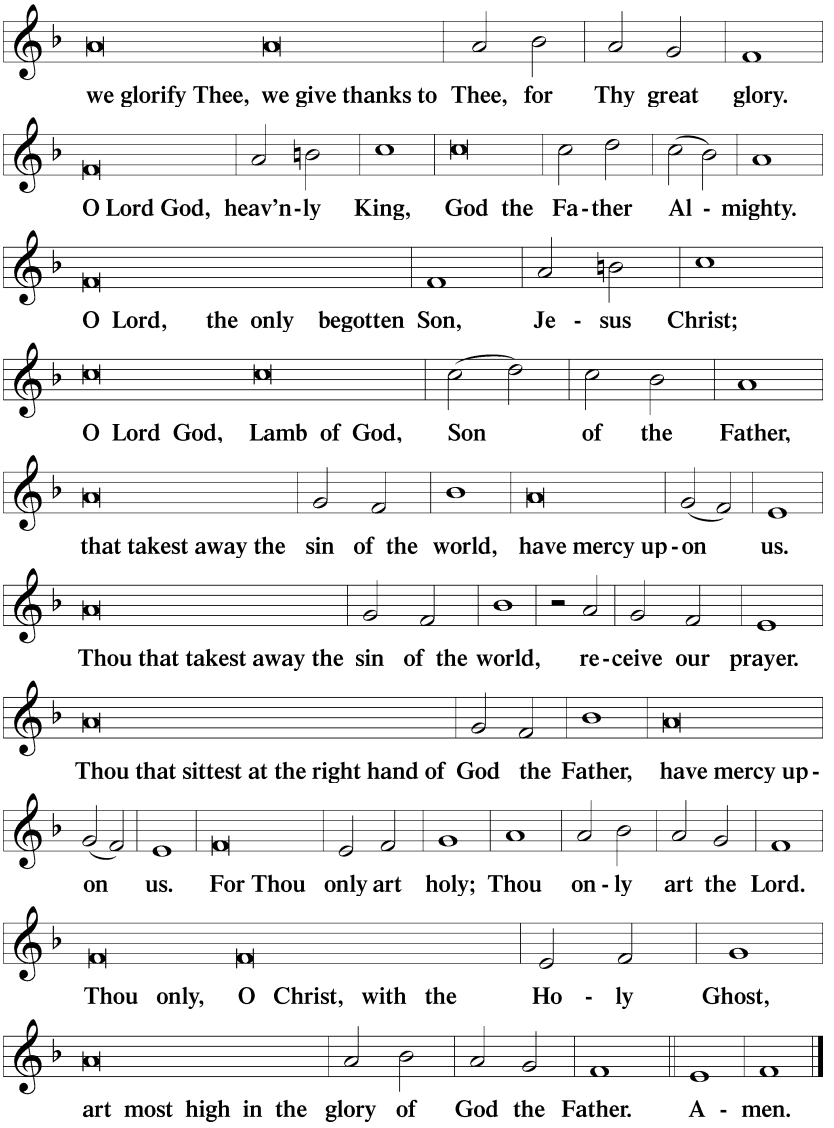
℗ I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
℄ I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
℗ I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;
℄ my soul shall exult in my God,
℗ for He has clothed me with the garments of salvation;
℄ He has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
℗ as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress,
℄ and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.
All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
℗ I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
℄ I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Kyrie ~ *Lord, Have Mercy* *(Mark 10:47)* *LSB 186*
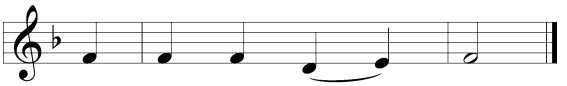


Gloria in Excelsis ~ *Glory to God in the Highest* *LSB 187*
(Luke 2:14; John 1:29)





Salutation and Collect of the Day

℗ The Lord be with you. *(2 Timothy 4:22)*



P Let us pray.
Almighty God, You invite us to trust in You for our salvation. Deal with us not in the severity of Your judgment but by the greatness of Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



The Old Testament Lesson *Isaiah 25:6–9*

6On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,
of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.
7And He will swallow up on this mountain
the covering that is cast over all peoples,
the veil that is spread over all nations.
8He will swallow up death forever;
and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,
and the reproach of His people He will take away from all the earth,
for the LORD has spoken.
9It will be said on that day,
"Behold, this is our God; we have waited for Him, that He might save us.
This is the LORD; we have waited for Him;
let us be glad and rejoice in His salvation."

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

Adult Choir "Brother James's Air" *Psalm 23*

The Epistle Lesson *Philippians 4:4–13*

4Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. 5Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; 6do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
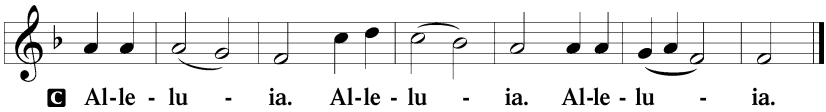
8Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is

commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. 9What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

10I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. 11Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. 12I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. 13I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.

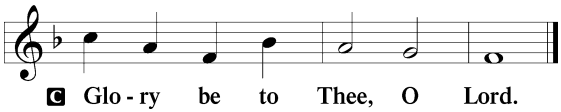
℗ This is the Word of the Lord.
℣ Thanks be to God.

Alleluia *LSB 190*



The Holy Gospel Lesson *Matthew 22:1–14*

℗ The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.
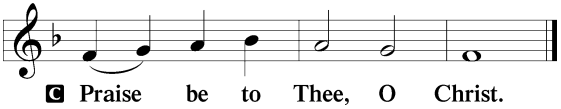


1Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, 2"The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, 3and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. 4Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.' 5But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, 6while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. 7The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. 8Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. 9Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.' 10And those servants went out into the

roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

11 "But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. 12 And he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. 13 Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' 14 For many are called, but few are chosen."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

C 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.
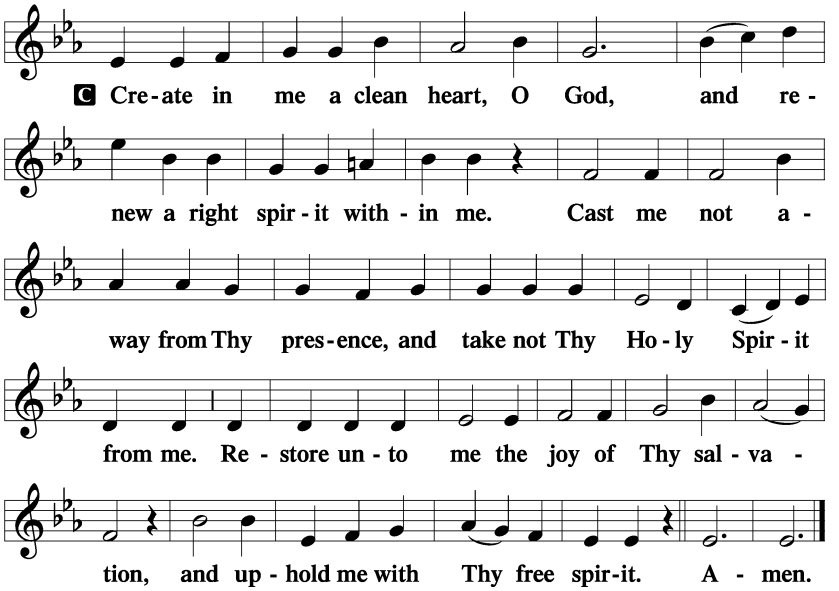
And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn 514 "The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us"
(Matt. 25:1-13; Rev. 19:6-9; Rev. 7:9-17)

Sermon "This Is Our God" *Isaiah 25:6-9*

Sermon Notes:

Offertory (*Psalm 51:10-12)* *LSB 192*

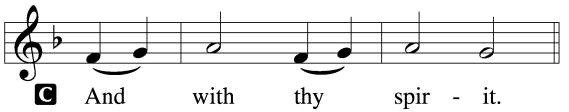


Prayer of the Church *1 Timothy 2:1-4*

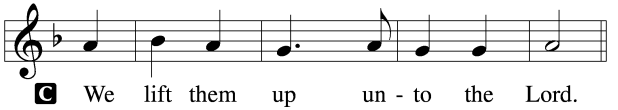
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Preface *LSB 194*
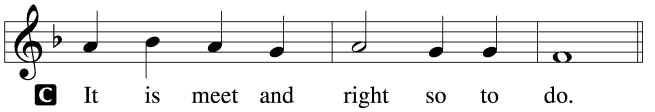
P The Lord be with you. *(2 Timothy 4:22)*



P Lift up your hearts. *(Colossians 3:1)*

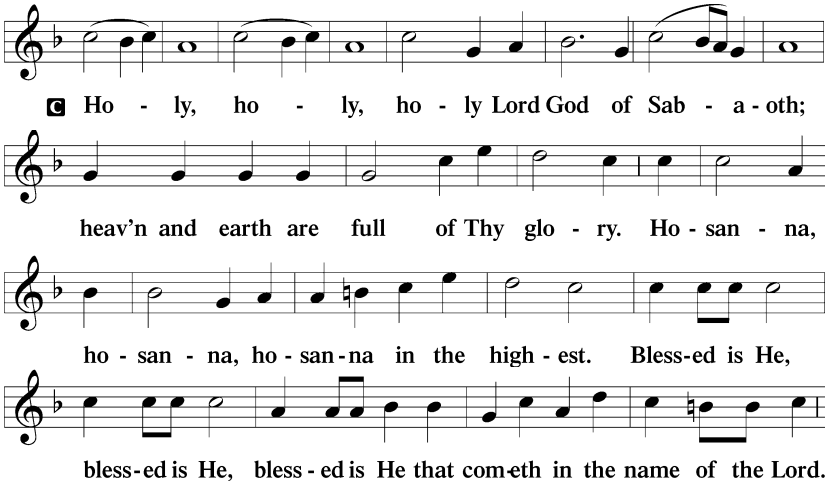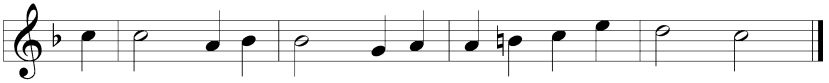


P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God. *(Psalm 136)*



P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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 *Holy, Holy, Holy (Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9) LSB 195*
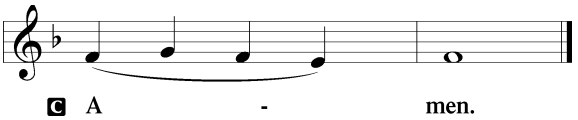




Lord's Prayer *(Matthew 6:9-13)*

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.

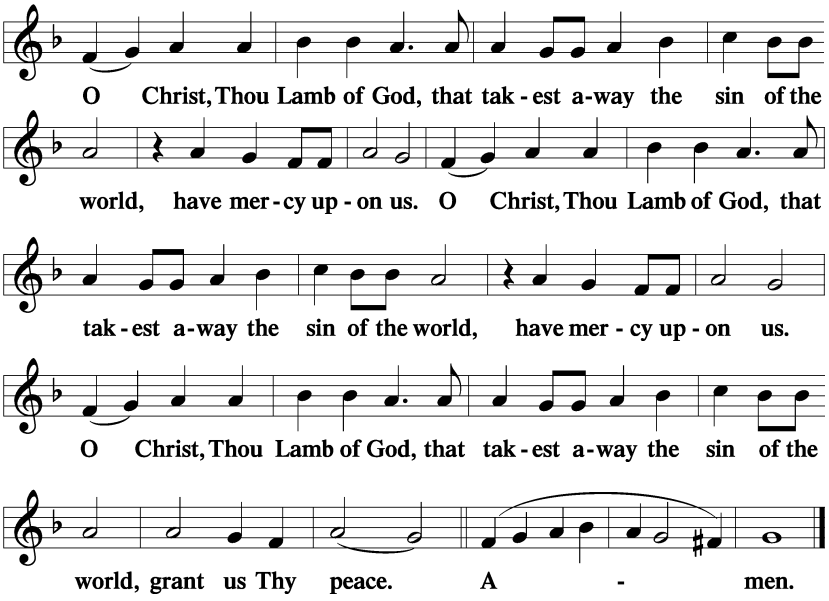
The Words of Our Lord *(1 Corinthians 11:23-25)* *LSB 197*

Pax Domini *(John 20:19)* *LSB 197*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



Agnus Dei *Lamb of God (John 1:29)* *LSB 198*



Hymn 633 "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"
(Ex. 12:22; Matt. 26:26-28; John 6:32-35; 1 Cor. 15:54-57)

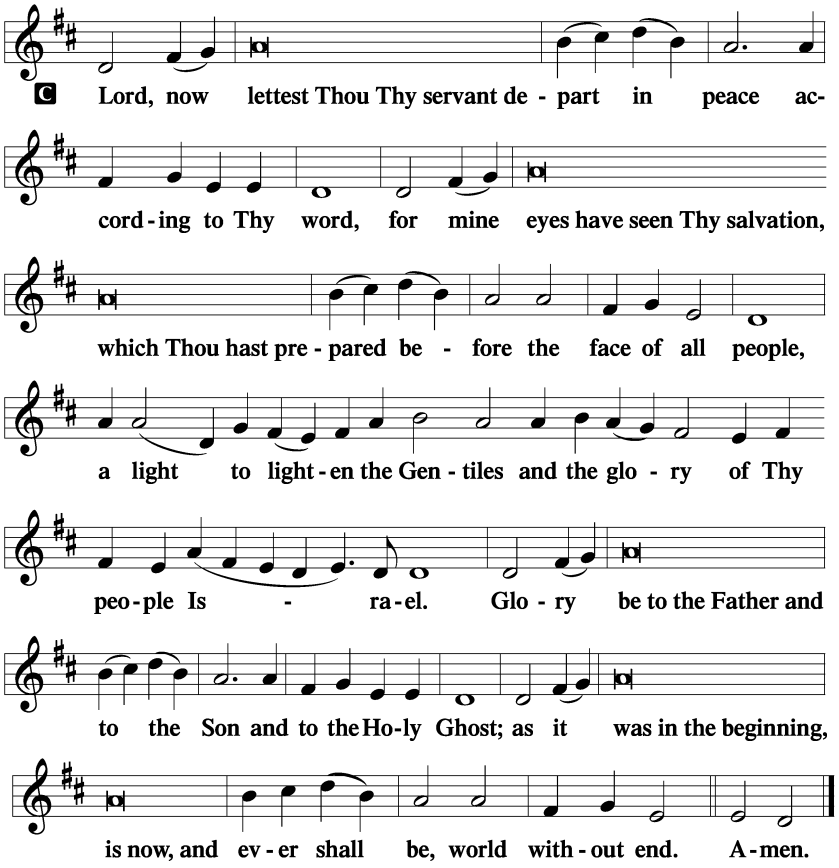
This Is the Feast *LSB 155*

Hymn 636 "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"
(Is. 61:10; Rev. 19:7-8; 1 Cor. 11:23-26; John 6:35, 48-51, 57-58)

Hymn 566 "By Grace I'm Saved"
(Eph. 2:4-9; Titus 3:4-7; Is. 64:6; Rom. 3:23-24)
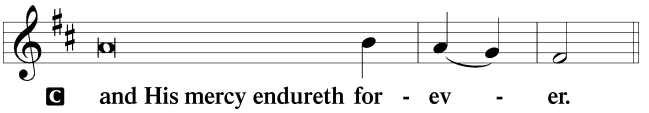
Hymn 948 "All Glory Be to God Alone"
(Luke 2:10-14; John 1:29, 36; Rev. 5:9-14; 1 John 2:2)

Nunc Dimittis *Song of Simeon (Luke 2:29-32)* *LSB 199*
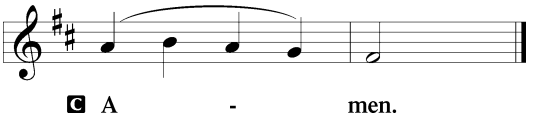


Thanksgiving *(Psalm 107:1)* *LSB 200*

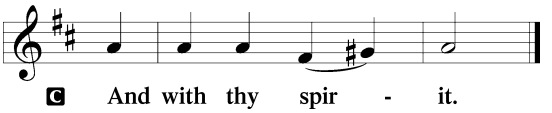
P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



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.

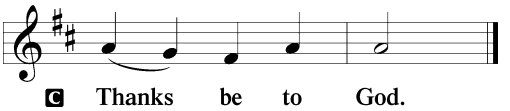


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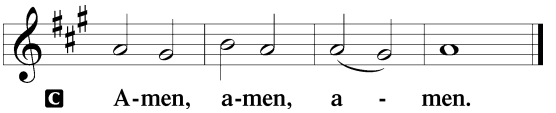


Benedicamus *Let Us Bless* *(Psalm 103:1)* *LSB 202*

P Bless we the Lord.



Benediction *(Numbers 6:24-26)* *LSB 202*

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✢ give you peace.



Hymn to Depart 643 "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"
(Luke 8:39; Col. 3:17; Num. 6:26; 1 Cor. 10:16)

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The flowers that adorn the altar are given by Rick & DeAnn Napper in celebration of their 25th Wedding Anniversary and Piper's 10th birthday. We thank our risen Lord for His many blessings to the Napper family. May Christ always be glorified!

CHRISTIAN MEN - AWAKE!
If you're at least 18 years of age, wake up on Wednesday morning every other week and join in a Bible Study at the Bremen Hospital cafeteria conference room at 6:30 AM. Enter the cafeteria area entrance on the south side patio to the left of the main entrance portico. The cafeteria has an excellent breakfast menu and we enjoy our study with discussion and fellowship until 7:30 A.M. Bible study is a means of strengthening our understanding of God's plan for us and strengthening our faith, which we all can use in the daily challenges we face. Bring your Bible and join us as we study, eat and fellowship! The dates we will meet in 2026 are as follows: 10/14, 10/28, 11/11, 11/25, 12/9.
If you have questions, please contact Dave Burcham or Tom Coxey.

From the Hospitality Crew: Our next meal preparation is this Wednesday, October 14th at 9:00 am. We are asking for donations of jello cups and individually wrapped snack bars. **All are invited to come help and as always, we thank you for your prayers and generosity.**

PTL is sponsoring a Trunk or Treat booth this year at the downtown pavilion on October 25th. We find this a great opportunity to share God's word with our community! We plan to pass out candy with cards stating St. Paul's information as well as a Bible verse. There is a donation box in the Narthex. Donations are accepted through October 23rd.

Elder On Call:
October 11th - October 17th: Larry Britt - 574-229-0407
October 18th - October 24th: Terry Miller - 574-248-1770
October 25th - October 31st: Mike Gumz - 574-253-3245
November 1 - November 7th: TBD

Trinity Hope Feeding Program Update -$550.00 was sent this past week. Please continue to support this much needed ministry in Haiti.

Calendar of Events

TODAY .....October 11th, 2026
Sunday School & Bible Classes.....8:30 am
Worship Service with Communion.....9:30 am
Bell Choir.....5:00 pm
Adult Choir .....6:00 pm
MON:
TUES:
WED:
Mens' Bible Study Breakfast .....6:30 am
Prepare Hospitality Meals.....9:00 am
Day School Chapel .....11:00 am
LifeLight ..... 6:45-8:15 pm
THURS:
Preschool Chapel .....9:15 am
Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Study.....9:30 am
Grandparents' Day.....11:00 am-2:00 pm
FRI: Fall Break – No School
SAT:
NEXT SUNDAY .....October 18th, 2026
Sunday School & Bible Classes.....8:30 am
Worship Service.....9:30 am
Adult Basketball..... 3:00-5:00 pm
No Adult or Bell Choir.....

After much discussion, the bulletins are going to continue to be printed as they have been for the last few weeks. We have used the same service – Divine Service 3 - since August 16th so it should be familiar by now and not as difficult to navigate. I am aware that it can feel like an inconvenience because we have been coddled for so long with it all being printed out but, as we use the hymnal, we are memorizing more and more of it each Sunday. God's Word is being imprinted on our hearts and minds for us to recall when we need it to continue strong in the faith. We also need to remember that we are to be good stewards of the gifts God has given to us which means not wasting our resources no matter how small and insignificant we may think it is. That includes the excessive amounts of paper, ink, and time used to reprint what is already in front of us. (All the little things add up.) Also, please be considerate of any visitors or your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ who have visual and physical needs for a full bulletin and do not take the few we have from them. **If you have any concerns or questions, please see Terry Miller.**

YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY DINNER!

WHEN: Sunday, October 25th at 11:30 AM — Following the Service

THE MENU

Pizza • Salads • Desserts
Please bring a dessert to share!

We would love for you and your family to join us for a special congregational dinner for us to come together as a church family for an afternoon of good food, great fellowship, and time spent with one another. Whether you have been with us for years or are new to our congregation, you are an important part of our church family and **we can't wait to see you there!**

Worship Anew can be viewed: Sunday Mornings at 11:30 am on: Dish channel 266 or Direct TV channel 377. You can view anytime at worshipanew.org **As of last week, local CW channel WCWW-TV 25 out of South Bend was still airing Worship Anew.**

On Saturday, October 24, Emmaus-South Bend is pleased to be hosting the Rev. Sahar Sadlovsky Gold, pastor in Tel Aviv, Israel, for a Mission Festival. Pr. Sadlovsky will present on "The Biblical Basis for Mission Work to the People of Israel." There will be a catered lunch following ($25/person) We will begin with Matins at 10, Pr. Sadlovsky will speak at 11, and we'll eat at noon. You and your congregations are invited to join us and to get to know Sahar. Please RSVP (for the lunch) by October 11.

The Playground and Gathering Space Project : Listed below are some carefully estimated costs for the project:

30'x 44' Mortise & Tennon Cedar Pavilion - $43,300
Concrete Pad – someone has already donated the money for this
White Oak Climbing Structure - $4,500
Pea Gravel for under the swing set to be moved from the current playground– approx. $500.00
2-8'-10'Corrugated 4' dia. culverts for tunnels–approx. $500-$700 ea.
A few "more mature" trees for shade – approx. $200-$300 each

Questions? - please contact Beth Miller. Please mark donations to this project as **Playground Fund** and place it in the offering box. (To date we have $8,000 in this fund). **Most importantly, please continue to pray the Lord will bless the project according to His will.**

2nd Thursday Bible Study has been postponed until further notice.

Things to Remember in Prayer This Week

Thanksgiving: **For God's invitation to join His wedding feast**.
For the baptism of Genevieve Claire Miller.

Special Concerns:
For the Pastor Rafael & Deaconess Jamielynn Flores family.
For the family and friends of Diana Stuckman who was called to her eternal home this past week.
For the Micah Wildauer family as their ministry is temporarily refocused.
That the Lord would bless our offerings that we give today.
For our country and her leaders.
For those who serve in their vocations of soldiers and first responders.
For the Lord's grace, healing, and protection for our Christian brothers and sisters who are displaced, suffering, or being persecuted in America and throughout the world. **We must shine the Gospel light!**

THANK YOU! The LWML project "Make a Change" September totaled $140.61. This "mitey" collection will be used in the Indiana District and around the world to fund mission projects. Your generosity is a blessing to many. To God be the glory!

SCHOOL CORNER

We have been excited to enjoy some beautiful fall weather lately and pull out those sweatshirts
(any temperature below 60 degrees)!

The coming week is busy and exciting! Here are some events we look forward to:
October 13th- K-3rd Grade Langfeldt Pumpkin Farm Field Trip; **October 15th**- Grandparents'/Special Guests' Day; **October 16th-19th**- Fall Break; **October 21st**- Unity (Anti-Bullying) Day; **October 21st-22nd**- Parent/Teacher Conference; **October 23rd-** Lego Club; and **October 25th-** Trunk or Treat, 5:00-7:00pm, town pavilion.

Grandparents'/Special Guests' Day is October 15th, 11:00am-2:00pm! RSVPs have gone home with the students. We will celebrate with chapel and share pizza and salad for lunch; plus, the students will have activities with their guests. Guests, we can't wait to see you at school!

The PTL is decorating a car for the Bremen Trunk or Treat event on October 25th, 5:00-7:00pm, at the town pavilion. They are collecting candy donations in the box in the narthex, please!

With more need every year, we need to replenish the SGO account!

Last school year, we gave over $53,000 in scholarships from the SGO Fund! As Choice only provides for 77%-83% of tuition costs, we use the SGO to **"close the gap"** between our tuition fee and the Choice Scholarship. This has enabled our families, most of whom have financial concerns, to receive education at St. Paul's for nominal cost. **We need to replenish our SGO account so please consider donating to the SGO!** ***Benefits to donors include*: $1000 Federal Charitable Donation Deduction and a 50% state tax credit; plus, LSGO is matching donations from new donors up to $1000! C**ontact the school office if you have questions. More information is available in the tract rack.

Enrollment is ongoing for 2026-27! *Please encourage family and friends to learn more about St. Paul's!* We offer a Christian alternative to education for Preschool through 8th Grade, not only focusing on core curriculum, but also providing a Biblical, Christ-centered focus. **With our comprehensive scholarship program, a Christian education can cost little or nothing**. *Scholarships are even available for Pre-K!* Word of mouth is the best form of advertisement, so please encourage your family/friends to check us out!

YOUTH NEWS

Youth nights will resume October 14th! Please plan to join us, along with Seminarian Jarrod Thomas, from 7:00-8:15pm on Wednesday nights - October 14th, 21st, and 28th. Come and bring your friends for a time of devotion, fellowship, snacks, and FUN!

On October 24th at 8:30 pm grades 6th – High School will be meeting at Jane's Park for a game of "Ghost in the Graveyard" (flashlight tag). Be sure to bring a flashlight with you and prepare for a night of craziness and fun. A sign-up sheet is posted on the Youth bulletin board and you will need to sign a waiver for this event.

Look for Youth Group information via our "St. Paul's Youth" GroupMe chat (*If you'd like to be added, let us know) or contact Youth Board Director **Scott Hundt** or **Rebecca Mejia** with any questions.

Servants for Today's Worship September 11th, 2026

Pastor Micah Wildauer & Pastor Patrick Gumz
Organist: Anita Eichinger
Ushers: Larry Britt & Paul Wonnacott
Acolyte: Rachel Rogers
Elder: Mike Gumz
Communion Assistant: Pastor Patrick Gumz
Video Streamer: Tyler/Dkota Schmeltz

Servants for Next Sunday's Worship October 18th, 2026

Seminarian Jarrod Thomas
Organist: Anita Eichinger
Ushers: Eric Thornton & Brantley Thornton
Acolyte: Wyatt Wildauer
Elder: Jon Rettinger
Video Streamer: Ethan Tjernagel