

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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HYMN #656

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"



1 A might - y for - tress is our God,
2 With might of ours can naught be done,



A trust - y shield and weap - on;
Soon were our loss ef - fect - ed;



He helps us free from ev - 'ry need
But for us fights the val - iant One,



That hath us now o'er - tak - en.
Whom God Him - self e - lect - ed.



The old e - vil foe Now means
Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus



dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might
Christ it is, Of Sab - a - oth Lord,



Are his dread arms in fight; On earth
And there's none oth - er God; He holds



is not his e - qual.
the field for - ev - er.

Though devils all the world should fill,
All eager to devour us,
We tremble not, we fear no ill;
They shall not overpow'r us.
This world's prince may still
Scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none.
He's judged; the deed is done;
One little word can fell him.

The Word they still shall let remain
Nor any thanks have for it;
He's by our side upon the plain
With His good gifts and Spirit.
And take they our life,
Goods, fame, child, and wife,
Though these all be gone,
Our vict'ry has been won;
The Kingdom ours remaineth.

Text: tr. composite; Martin Luther, 1483–1546

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

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

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

INTROIT

Psalm 34:1–2, 11, 22; antiphon: Psalm 119:46

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,
and shall not be put to shame.

I will bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
let the humble hear and be glad.

Come, O children, listen to me;
I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

The LORD redeems the life of his servants;
none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

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 speak of your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,
and shall not be put to shame.

KYRIE



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



- C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

FIRST READING

P This is the Word of the Lord.

Revelation 14:6–7

C Thanks be to God.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHOIR

“The B-I-B-L-E”
“My God is So Great”

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

EPISTLE

Romans 3:19–28

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE (Sung)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

These things are written that you may believe
that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 8:31–36

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

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.

Sit

HYMN #566

"By Grace I'm Saved"



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



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



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



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

By grace to timid hearts that tremble,
In tribulation's furnace tried,
By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,
The Father's heart is open wide.
Where could I help and strength secure
If grace were not my anchor sure?
By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
For though I know my heart's condition,
I also know my Savior's voice.
My heart is glad, all grief has flown
Since I am saved by grace alone.

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Sit

OFFERING

Service of the Sacrament

Stand

PREFACE

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 (SUNG)

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;

Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.

Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;

Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER

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

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI

1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

HYMN #556

"Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice"



1 Dear Chris-tians, one and all, re - joice, With ex - ul - ta - tion
2 Fast bound in Sa - tan's chains I lay; Death brood - ed dark - ly
3 My own good works all came to naught, No grace or mer - it
4 But God had seen my wretch - ed state Be - fore the world's foun -



spring - ing, And with u - nit - ed heart and voice And ho - ly
o'er me. Sin was my tor - ment night and day; In sin my
gain - ing; Free will a - gainst God's judg - ment fought, Dead to all
da - tion, And mind - ful of His mer - cies great, He planned for



rap - ture sing - ing, Pro - claim the won - ders God has done, How
moth - er bore me. But dai - ly deep - er still I fell; My
good re - main - ing. My fears in - creased till sheer de - spair Left
my sal - va - tion. He turned to me a fa - ther's heart; He



His right arm the vic - t'ry won. What price our ran - som cost Him!
life be - came a liv - ing hell, So firm - ly sin pos - sessed me.
on - ly death to be my share; The pangs of hell I suf - fered.
did not choose the eas - y part But gave His dear - est trea - sure.

God said to His beloved Son: "It's time to have compassion.
Then go, bright jewel of My crown, And bring to all salvation.
From sin and sorrow set them free; Slay bitter death for them that they
May live with You forever."

The Son obeyed His Father's will, Was born of virgin mother;
 And God's good pleasure to fulfill, He came to be my brother.
 His royal pow'r disguised He bore; A servant's form, like mine, He wore
 To lead the devil captive.

To me He said: "Stay close to Me, I am your rock and castle.
 Your ransom I Myself will be; For you I strive and wrestle.
 For I am yours, and you are Mine, And where I am you may remain;
 The foe shall not divide us.

"Though he will shed My precious blood, Me of My life bereaving,
 All this I suffer for your good; Be steadfast and believing.
 Life will from death the vict'ry win; My innocence shall bear your sin,
 And you are blest forever.

"Now to My Father I depart, From earth to heav'n ascending,
 And, heav'nly wisdom to impart, The Holy Spirit sending;
 In trouble He will comfort you And teach you always to be true
 And into truth shall guide you.

"What I on earth have done and taught Guide all your life and teaching;
 So shall the kingdom's work be wrought And honored in your preaching.
 But watch lest foes with base alloy The heav'nly treasure should destroy;
 This final word I leave you."

Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Richard Massie, 1800-87, alt. Tune: Etlich Cristlich lider, 1524, Wittenberg

HYMN #578

"Thy Strong Word"



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At Thy
 2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as
 3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ - teous; Bright with
 4 From the cross Thy wis - dom shin - ing Break - eth



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed
 night and deep as death, Broke the light of
 Thine own ho - li - ness, Glo - rious now, we
 forth in con - qu'ring might; From the cross for -



light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.
 Thy sal - va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - breath - ing breath.
 press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes con - fess.
 ev - er beam - eth All Thy bright re - deem - ing light.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to



Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!

Give us lips to sing Thy glory, Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,
Throats that shout the hope that fills us, Mouths to speak Thy holy name.
Alleluia, alleluia! May the light which Thou dost send
Fill our songs with alleluias, Alleluias without end!

△ God the Father, light-creator, To Thee laud and honor be.
To Thee, Light of Light begotten, Praise be sung eternally.
Holy Spirit, light-revealer, Glory, glory be to Thee.
Mortals, angels, now and ever Praise the holy Trinity!

Text: Martin H. Franzmann, 1907-76 Tune: Thomas J. Williams, 1869-1944 Text: © 1969 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110003072

Stand

NUNC DIMITTIS

1 O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace,

For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace:

A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill,

The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.

2 All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son,

All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One;

For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be,

God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

A Let us pray.

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

C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

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 Amen.

HYMN #567

"Not What These Hands Have Done"



1 Not what these hands have done Can save this guilt - y soul;
2 Not what I feel or do Can give me peace with God;
3 Thy work a - lone, O Christ, Can ease this weight of sin;
4 Thy love to me, O God, Not mine, O Lord, to Thee,



Not what this toil - ing flesh has borne Can make my spir - it whole.
Not all my prayers and sighs and tears Can bear my aw - ful load.
Thy blood a - lone, O Lamb of God, Can give me peace with - in.
Can rid me of this dark un - rest And set my spir - it free.

Thy grace alone, O God, To me can pardon speak;

Thy pow'r alone, O Son of God, Can this sore bondage break.

I bless the Christ of God, I rest on love divine,

And with unfalt'ring lip and heart I call this Savior mine.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-89 Tune: William H. Monk, 1823-89

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INFORMATION FOR YOU

From Our Library: You will find shoeboxes waiting for you to fill on many tables. It is again time to take part in the Operation Christmas Child ministry. **FEATURE BOOK:** Operation Christmas Child (A story of simple gifts) by Franklin Graham. It shares stories and photos of kids who received gifts and the impact on their lives. Code: Blue 266.021 Gra

Next Sunday's Lutheran Hour is "Working the System" with Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. God's Law--a "system" that keeps the world from flying apart while it also shows us we need the Savior Who came to live, suffer, and rise for us. (Genesis 33:8)

Watch Main Street Living on TV, a service led by local LCMS pastors. See it Sundays on Ch 15 KVRR Fargo (Ch 10 on Arvig) at 9 am, on Ch 29 WFTC at 9:30 am from the Cities (including on DISH if you have the Twin Cities stations or on Selective TV 9.2) or at mainstreetliving.com anytime. Rev. Daniel Provost, Drayton, preaches on November 3.

Cards for all occasions are \$1 and available at the LWML cabinet. Cards are \$10 for a box of 12 cards. Thanksgiving cards are available.

If you are interested in a new member class, contact Pastor Lee.

LWML is in need of "facilitators" for several work groups. This can be a husband & wife team. You do not need to be an LWML member to be a facilitator. Please contact the office if interested.

Do you like to scrapbook? We are looking for someone to compile photos & news into a scrapbook. Contact the office if interested.

Want to give electronically? You can make a text gift by texting \$xx (the amount) to 844-330-1376. Or you can give through the church website.

Sign up at the narthex counter to serve coffee after worship.

To make a donation for Hurricane Relief, you can place a designated gift in the offering or mail it to LCMS World Relief P.O. Box 66861 St. Louis, MO 63166-6861.

We are looking for a couple of people to join the Altar Guild in 2025. Contact the church office if interested.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

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|-----------------------------|------------|--------------|-------------|
| Attend 10-19 | 21 | Attend 10-20 | 58 |
| Offering | \$6,475.14 | Home Use | \$230.00 |
| Total | \$6,705.14 | | |
| Offering for October | | | \$11,752.14 |
| Offerings Needed each Month | | | \$21,848.00 |
| TIM Goal: \$3,000 | | Receipts: | \$1,994.00 |

OUR MISSION:

Empowered by God's Word, we know, love and share Jesus Christ.

INFORMATION FOR TODAY

With whom can I share what Jesus says about being His disciples?

Soup, Sandwich & Pie Dinner is today from 10:30-1. Schwarzsauer, Chicken Noodle and Cheesy Baked Potato with Ham soups will be served, along with egg salad, ham and turkey sandwiches and a variety of pies. Cost is \$12 for adults and ages 6-12 are \$5. 5 and under are free.

Circuit Reformation Service is tonight at 7:00 PM at Good Shepherd. Pastor Bruce Timm of Redeemer, St Cloud, will preach. Circuit instrumentalists will play. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

LWML Fall Rally is November 2, 9-1, at St John's Lutheran, Villard. Rev. Don Fondow will speak. All women and men are invited to attend.

All Saints Sunday is November 3. We will read the names of those the Lord called home in the past year. If you have a loved one's name you would like included, contact the church office with their name & date of death by Wednesday.

Grades 7-9: St Johns in Garfield is inviting you to a circuit youth gathering November 3 from 4-6 PM with devotions, bunco and spaghetti. Contact Pr Lee by October 30 if you are interested in going.

LWML Mite Offering for missions is next weekend. Bring your coins! There will also be a collection box for Canadian coins.

LWML is collecting non-food items for the Food Shelf through November 17. Shampoo, conditioner, toilet paper and toothpaste are especially needed. Place items in the collection bin in the coat area. Drop off before November 1 to help support the LWML Fall Rally. Monetary donations can be labeled and dropped into the LWML card slot.

Council meeting is Oct. 29 at 7 PM. Voters meeting will be November 3 at 10:30 AM.

Pick up an Operation Christmas Child shoebox today. Information sheets are available with ideas on what can be packed. If you would like to be a part of this program, but not pack a box, you can give a donation for postage or bring items for the boxes. (Packing Day will be Friday, November 15th.) Please sign up if you can help.

Trinity, Carlos, invites you to a deer hunters service on Thursday, November 7 at 7 PM.

The new banners on the front wall are given in memory of Judy Ahrens by the O'Brien family.