

Our Savior Lutheran Church

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Welcome Visitors!

We celebrate the Lord's Supper at this holy gathering in celebration and confession that the Word who became flesh and dwelt among us (John 1:14) is present here with His body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine we receive at the altar (Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:24-25).

Because this Sacrament is called Communion, all who come to the rail are to confess the same confession of faith. Because there are differences between denominations, we ask that you please speak to Pastor if you are not a member of a Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod congregation.

This practice is not a judgment upon anyone's faith. It is the Church's ancient practice to make sure that no one takes Jesus' body and blood to their harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). During the distribution, we ask that you sing the distribution hymns, meditate upon Jesus' death and resurrection as the reason for our gathering, and pray for the day that the devilish divisions between us will be abolished by the Son of God when He returns.

Divine Service Setting Three

Prayer Before Worship

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

Opening Hymn

"O Moring Star, How Fair and Bright"

LSB 395



1 O Morn - ing Star, how fair and bright! You shine with God's
2 Come, heav'n - ly Bride-groom, Light di - vine, And deep with - in
3 Lord, when You look on us in love, At once there falls
4 Al - might - y Fa - ther, in Your Son You loved us when



own truth and light, A - glow with grace and mer - cy!
our hearts now shine; There light a flame un - dy - ing!
from God a - bove A ray of pur - est plea - sure.
not yet be - gun Was this old earth's foun - da - tion!



Of Ja - cob's race, King Da - vid's son, Our Lord and mas -
 In Your one bod - y let us be As liv - ing branch -
 Your Word and Spir - it, flesh and blood Re - fresh our souls
 Your Son has ran - somed us in love To live in Him



ter, You have won Our hearts to serve You on - ly!
 es of a tree, Your life our lives sup - ply - ing.
 with heav'n-ly food. You are our dear - est trea - sure!
 here and a - bove: This is Your great sal - va - tion.



Low - ly, ho - ly! Great and glo - rious, All vic - to - rious,
 Now, though dai - ly Earth's deep sad - ness May per - plex us
 Let Your mer - cy Warm and cheer us! O draw near us!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the liv - ing, To us giv - ing



Rich in bless - ing! Rule and might o'er all pos - sess - ing!
 And dis - tress us, Yet with heav'n - ly joy You bless us.
 For You teach us God's own love through You has reached us.
 Life for - ev - er, Keeps us Yours and fails us nev - er!

5 O let the harps break forth in sound!
 Our joy be all with music crowned,
 Our voices gladly blending!
 For Christ goes with us all the way—
 Today, tomorrow, ev'ry day!
 His love is never ending!
 Sing out! Ring out!
 Jubilation!
 Exultation!
 Tell the story!
 Great is He, the King of Glory!

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6 What joy to know, when life is past,
 The Lord we love is first and last,
 The end and the beginning!
 He will one day, oh, glorious grace,
 Transport us to that happy place
 Beyond all tears and sinning!
 Amen! Amen!
 Come, Lord Jesus!
 Crown of gladness!
 We are yearning
 For the day of Your returning!

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Confession and Absolution

LSB 184

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

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. 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.

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

C Amen.

Psalm 128

¹Blessèd is everyone who | fears the LORD,*
who walks | in his ways!

²**You shall eat the fruit of the labor | of your hands;***
you shall be blessed, and it shall be | well with you.

³Your wife will be like a fruitful vine with- | in your house;*
your children will be like olive shoots around your | table.

⁴**Behold, thus shall the | man be blessed***
who | fears the LORD.

⁵The LORD bless you from | Zion!*

May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days | of your life!

⁶**May you see your children's | children!***
Peace be upon | Israel!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirt;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Kyrie

LSB 186

C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria In Excelsis

LSB 187

P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-

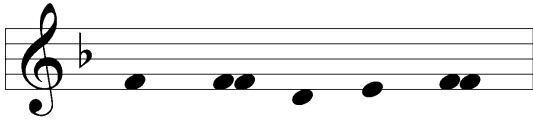
on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

LSB 189



P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.



P Let us pray.

P Heavenly Father ... one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 62:1-5

- ¹For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet,
until her righteousness goes forth as brightness,
and her salvation as a burning torch.
- ²The nations shall see your righteousness,
and all the kings your glory,
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will give.
- ³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
- ⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate,
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;
for the LORD delights in you,
and your land shall be married.
- ⁵For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your sons marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says “Jesus is accursed!” and no one can say “Jesus is Lord” except in the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia

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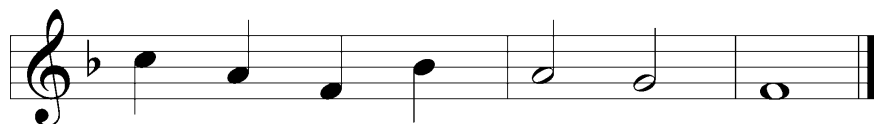


C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

John 2:1-11

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



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

¹On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. ³When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” ⁴And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come.” ⁵His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.”

⁶Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to the servants, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸And he said to them, “Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast.” So they took it. ⁹When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now.” ¹¹This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, 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.**

Sermon Hymn

“The Only Son from Heaven”

LSB 402



1 The on - ly Son from heav - en, Fore - told by an - cient seers,
2 O time of God ap - point - ed, O bright and ho - ly morn!
3 O Lord, our hearts a - wak - en To know and love You more,
△ 4 O Fa - ther, here be - fore You With God the Ho - ly Ghost



By God the Fa - ther giv - en, In hu - man form ap - pears.
He comes, the king a - noint - ed, The Christ, the vir - gin - born,
In faith to stand un - shak - en, In spir - it to a - dore,
And Je - sus, we a - dore You, O pride of an - gel host:



No sphere His light con - fin - ing, No star so bright - ly
Grim death to van - quish for us, To o - pen heav'n be -
That we, through this world mov - ing, Each glimpse of heav - en
Be - fore You mor - tals low - ly Cry, “Ho - ly, ho - ly,



shin - ing As He, our Morn - ing Star.
fore us And bring us life a - gain.
prov - ing, May reap its full - ness there.
ho - ly, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty!”

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Sermon

“Not My Time ”

John 2:1-11

Offertory

LSB 192



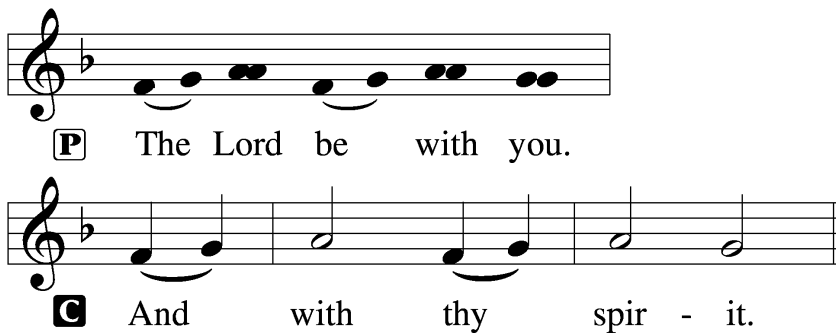
C Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

Prayer of the Church

- P** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.

Preface

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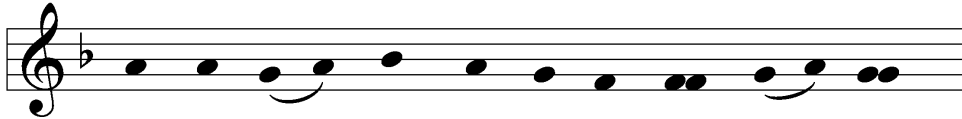
P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spir - it.



P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary ... evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 195



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

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.



C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the

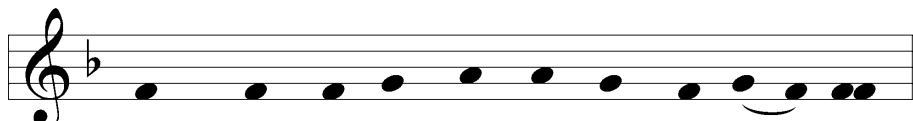


glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

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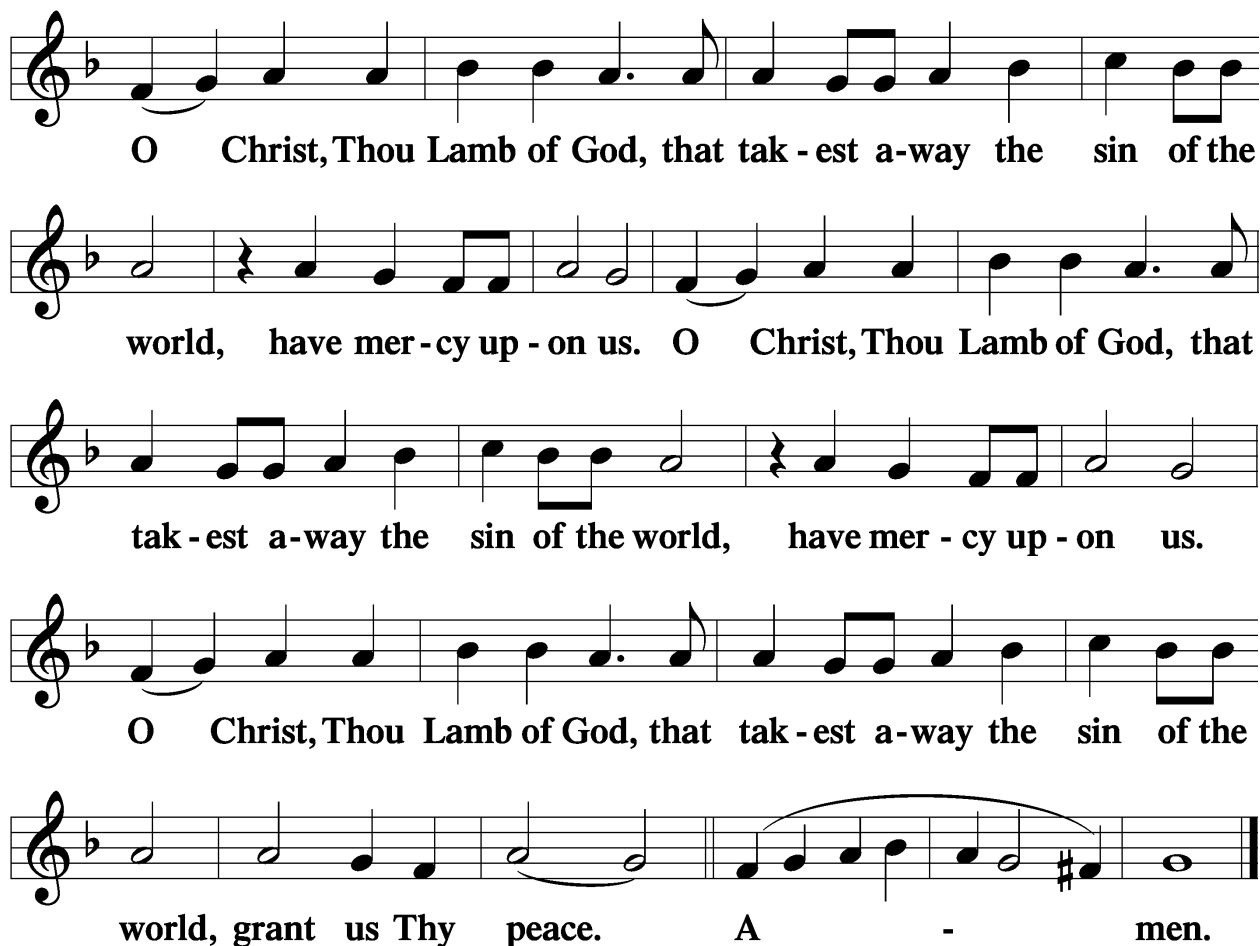
P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

Agnus Dei

LSB 198



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

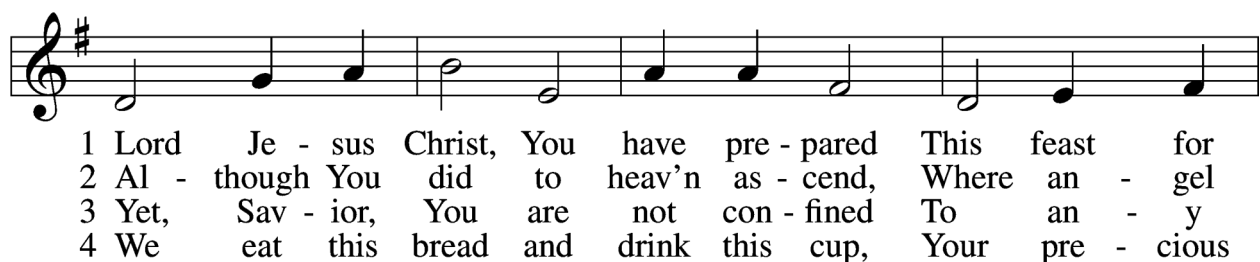
Prayer Before Communing

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive his holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Distribution Hymns

“Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared”

LSB 622



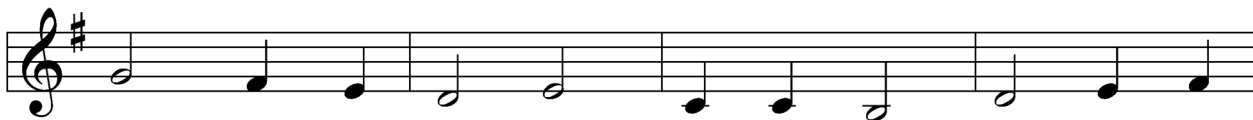
1 Lord Je - sus Christ, You have pre - pared This feast for
2 Al - though You did to heav'n as - cend, Where an - gel
3 Yet, Sav - ior, You are not con - fined To an - y
4 We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your pre - cious



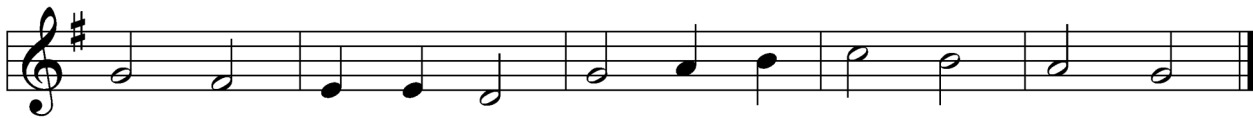
our sal - va - tion; It is Your bod - y
 hosts are dwell - ing, And in Your pres - ence
 hab - i - ta - tion; But You are pres - ent
 Word be - liev - ing That Your true bod - y



and Your blood, And at Your in - vi - ta - tion
 they be - hold Your glo - ry, all ex - cel - ling,
 e - ven now Here with Your con - gre - ga - tion.
 and Your blood Our lips are here re - ceiv - ing.



As wea - ry souls, with sin op - pressed, We come to
 And though Your peo - ple shall not see Your glo - ry
 Firm as a rock this truth shall stand, Un - moved by
 This Word re - mains for - ev - er true, All things are



You for need - ed rest, For com - fort, and for par - don.
 and Your maj - es - ty Till dawns the judg - ment morn - ing,
 an - y dar - ing hand Or sub - tle craft and cun - ning.
 pos - si - ble with You, For You are Lord Al - might - y.

- 5 Though reason cannot understand,
 Yet faith this truth embraces:
 Your body, Lord, is even now
 At once in many places.
 I leave to You how this can be;
 Your Word alone suffices me;
 I trust its truth unfailing.

- 6 Lord, I believe what You have said;
 Help me when doubts assail me.
 Remember that I am but dust,
 And let my faith not fail me.
 Your supper in this vale of tears
 Refreshes me and stills my fears
 And is my priceless treasure.

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7 Grant that we worthily receive
 Your supper, Lord, our Savior,
 And, truly grieving for our sins,
 May prove by our behavior
 That we are thankful for Your grace
 And day by day may run our race,
 In holiness increasing.

8 For Your consoling supper, Lord,
 Be praised throughout all ages!
 Preserve it, for in ev'ry place
 The world against it rages.
 Grant that this sacrament may be
 A blessed comfort unto me
 When living and when dying.

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“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness”

LSB 636



1 Soul, a - dorn your - self with glad - ness, Leave the
 2 Has - ten as a bride to meet Him, And with
 3 He who craves a pre - cious trea - sure Nei - ther
 4 Now in faith I hum - bly pon - der O - ver



gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, Come in - to the day - light's
 lov - ing rev - 'rence greet Him. For with words of life im -
 cost nor pain will mea - sure; But the price - less gifts of
 this sur - pass - ing won - der That the bread of life is



splen - dor, There with joy your prais - es ren - der.
 mor - tal He is knock - ing at your por - tal.
 heav - en God to us has free - ly giv - en.
 bound - less Though the souls it feeds are count - less:



Bless the One whose grace un - bound - ed This a - maz - ing
 O - pen wide the gates be - fore Him, Say - ing, as you
 Though the wealth of earth were prof - fered, None could buy the
 With the choic - est wine of heav - en Christ's own blood to



ban - quet found - ed; He, though heav'n - ly, high, and
there a - dore Him: Grant, Lord, that I now re -
gifts here of - fered: Christ's true bod - y, for you
us is giv - en. Oh, most glo - rious con - so -



ho - ly, Deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.
ceive You, That I nev - er - more will leave You.
riv - en, And His blood, for you once giv - en.
la - tion, Pledge and seal of my sal - va - tion!

- 5 Jesus, source of lasting pleasure,
Truest friend, and dearest treasure,
Peace beyond all understanding,
Joy into all life expanding:
Humbly now, I bow before You;
Love incarnate, I adore You;
Worthily let me receive You
And, so favored, never leave You.
- 6 Jesus, sun of life, my splendor,
Jesus, friend of friends, most tender,
Jesus, joy of my desiring,
Fount of life, my soul inspiring:
At Your feet I cry, my maker,
Let me be a fit partaker
Of this blessed food from heaven,
For our good, Your glory, given.
- 7 Lord, by love and mercy driven,
You once left Your throne in heaven
On the cross for me to languish
And to die in bitter anguish,
To forego all joy and gladness
And to shed Your blood in sadness.
By this blood redeemed and living,
Lord, I praise You with thanksgiving.

8 Jesus, bread of life, I pray You,
 Let me gladly here obey You.
 By Your love I am invited,
 Be Your love with love requited;
 By this Supper let me measure,
 Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.
 Through the gift of grace You give me
 As Your guest in heav'n receive me.

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Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
 cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
 which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
 a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
 peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
 to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

LSB 200

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

C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

A Let us pray.

C A - men.

Salutation and Benedicamus

LSB 201

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

A Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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.



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

Closing Hymn

“The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us”

LSB 514



1 The Bride-groom soon will call us, “Come to the wed-ding feast.”
 2 There shall we see in glo - ry Our dear Re-deem-er’s face;
 3 There God shall from all e - vil For - ev - er make us free,
 4 In that fair home shall nev - er Be si - lent mu - sic’s voice;



May slum-ber not be - fall us Nor watch - ful - ness de - crease.
 The long - a - wait - ed sto - ry Of heav’n - ly joy takes place:
 From sin and from the dev - il, From all ad - ver - si - ty,
 With hearts and lips for - ev - er We shall in God re - joice,



May all our lamps be burn - ing With oil e - nough and more
 The pa - tri - archs shall meet us, The proph - ets’ ho - ly band;
 From sick-ness, pain, and sad - ness, From trou - bles, cares, and fears,
 While an - gel hosts are rais - ing With saints from great to least



That we, with Him re - turn - ing, May find an o - pen door!
 A - pos - tles, mar - tyrs greet us In that ce - les - tial land.
 And grant us heav’n - ly glad - ness And wipe a - way our tears.
 A might - y hymn for prais - ing The Giv - er of the feast.

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Events This Week

Today: Worship at OSLC, 9am
Today: Annual Meeting, 10:15am
Today: Worship at Good Shepherd, 11:30am
Wednesday: Bible Study, 10am
Wednesday: *Bulletin/ Newsletter Deadline, 10am*
Wednesday: Confirmation, 4:30pm
Saturday: Worship at Immanuel, 6pm

Those Serving at OSLC

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Organist	Theta Lee	Theta Lee
Radio Monitors	Linda Buhrmester Deb Wright	Chris Schroeder Marilyn Reeves
Sound Board	Patty Bruens	Kendra Morts
Greeters	Patty Bruens Julie Towers	Jon and Diane Goldenstein
Acolyte	Evelyn Morts	Ellie Schwartz
Head Usher	Landon Reutter	Landon Reutter
Altar Guild	Sheila Selk Patty Bruens Renee Minton	Sheila Selk Patty Bruens Renee Minton

Announcements

JANUARY IS LIFE MONTH: Women's Care Clinic in Danville continues to care for those faced with an unexpected pregnancy. They provide pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, counsel, and prayer to many in our community. There is still time to pick up a Baby Bottle from the narthex to fill with money during the month of January. You can also donate baby items – diapers, wipes, lotions, sleepers, etc. Please return filled bottles and baby items by Sunday, February 2, 2025.

ANNUAL MEETING will be held today, Sunday, January 19, 2025 immediately following service in the sanctuary.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS will be next Sunday as we hope to get all the slots filled today.

CHURCH DIRECTORY: It's time to update and distribute a new copy of the church directory! **Please look over your information and any other members of your family listed.** Send me any changes or corrections to your address, phone number, or email address by **January 28.** If you have tried to call someone using the information in the directory and it no longer works, please let me know that as well. Thanks for helping keep information up to date.

HOUSE BLESSING: It is traditional to invite the Pastor to your home to bless your house in the Epiphany season. This is part of our spiritual warfare as Christians, and house blessings can be done at any time of year. Pastor will gladly visit you and bless your home. Call, email, or text him to set up a time.

THANK YOU for the Christmas gift of money from the Christmas Eve service. I look forward to our ministry together in 2025. -Pastor Minton

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE QUOTE "From the moment you were being knitted together in your mother's womb (Psalm 139:13), God's began His careful construction of His chosen jewel of redemption." *Rev. Adam Osier, Dean, Free Lutheran Bible College, Plymouth, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Prayer List

Those celebrating a birthday:

Renee Minton Thursday
Marvin Wright Thursday

Those celebrating an anniversary:

Gene and Marilyn Reeves Thursday (54 years)

Those suffering from cancer:

Linda Buhrmester
Nancy Tobeck
Connie Bruns, organist at Calvary
Janet Doyle, friend of Patty Bruens
Kim Cann, friend of Becky Bridge
Dale Colvin, cousin of Jim Winder

Tim Evans, brother in law of Bob Storm
Lisa High, friend of Becky Hiles
Kendra Howard, niece of Doug Benner
Pamela Howard, sister of Doug Benner
Christopher Kruse, community member
Becky Lehmann, cousin of Bob Storm
Fred Wright, brother of Marvin Wright

Those requesting your prayers:

Those still recovering from Hurricanes Helene and Milton

Homebound Members

Dianne Estes	Dorothy Knake
Delmer Henrichs	Joann Sloan
Arlene Hines	Brenda St. Peter

Those serving in our Armed Forces and our local Law Enforcement, especially those connected to the OSLC family:

Armed Forces

Karl Gibbs - serving as a chaplain in the U.S. Navy
Justin McGahan - Milford community member, serving in the U.S. Army
Corey Moore - OSLC Member and son of Kevin and Kasey Moore, serving in the U.S. Marine Reserves
Timothy Raddatz - nephew of Phil and Cindy Raddatz, serving in the U.S. Coast Guard
Kaleb Waldbeser - friend of Bob and Donna Flesher, serving in the U.S. Marine Corp.

Law Enforcement

Wyatt Alt - Iroquois County Sheriff Department
Thomas Wimmer - friend of Emily Hines, member of the Tilton Police Department

Central Illinois District Congregations: St John in Rushville and First in Mt Sterling as they continue in the call process.

Iroquois Circuit Congregations: St John in Buckley and Kevin Wyckoff her pastor.

Those studying at the Seminary:

Vicar Simon Niemtschk, St. Paul in Carroll, IA
Seminarian Jacob Bergstedt, Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft Wayne, IN.

Those serving in the Mission Field:

Rev. Samuel Bobby, his wife Erica, and sons Judah, August, Benjamin, Simon, and Pax, our adopted international missionary, currently serving in Latvia. Rev. Bobby teaches at The Luther Academy, the seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Latvia.



Moments with Mahlah

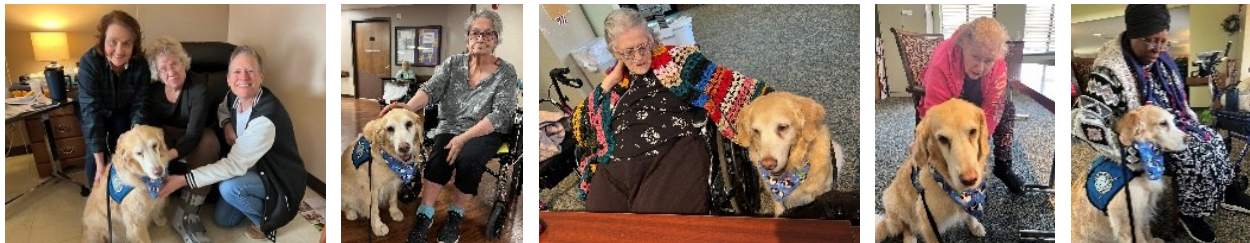
For the Week of January 12, 2025

Mahlah was unable to visit at Goodland on the 12th, but had a very good visit at Trinity, Cissna Park, on the 5th. Judy and Brent Danforth were handlers.

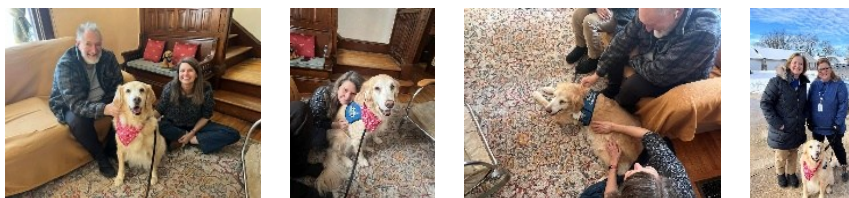


At this writing Mahlah was scheduled to visit Gibson City on Wednesday, with stops at Goldwater Care, Holly Brook, and the Gibson City Hospital Annex. Jayne and Dean Henrichs were to be handlers. She was to have grooming on Thursday, and then visit Friendship House in West Lafayette on Saturday, with Diane Costello as handler.

Looking back to some of Mahlah's numerous visits during recent weeks, she was at Westminster Village and Saint Anthony's in West Lafayette and Lafayette on 1/7.



On Saturday the 11th Mahlah visited new friends at a home in Watseka, with Kami Kimmel and Susan Yergler along as handlers.



Remember to email Mahlah at Mahlah@K9Comfort.org if you know of an individual or organization that would benefit from a visit. Thanks for your continued support as we seek to bring the compassion, mercy, presence, and proclamation of Jesus to all.