

CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6 - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2019

Sun-6	8:30 am	Early Service (Memorial Chapel)
	9:00 am	Coffee Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)
	9:15 am	Opening for Children's Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)
	9:30 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Announcements & Service (Communion)
	5:00 pm	Luther Choir
	5:00 PM	Rooted in Christ with Amy (Youth Room)
	6:00 pm	Crossroads Choir
	6:00 pm	Open gym time (Family Life Center)
	6:00 pm	Chancel Choir
	6:30 pm	Youth Dinner (Youth Room)
	8:00 pm	Faith Group (AA) (Fellowship Hall)
Mon-7	8:30 am	Preschool
	9:00 am	Dirty Collar Workers
	10:00 am	Esther Circle (Conference Room)
	7:00 pm	Rebecca Circle (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 pm	Property Committee (Conference Room)
Tue-8	8:30 am	Preschool
	10:30 am	Clothing Closet work Day (10:30 am—1:30 pm) Parsonage
	6:00 pm	Brotherhood Dinner & Meeting (Picnic Pavilion)
Wed-9	8:30 am	Preschool
	10:00 am	Advent Crafts (Conference Room)
	6:30 pm	Hand Bells
	7:00 pm	Electronic Sign Team (Conference Room)
	7:30 pm	Chapel Voices
Thur-10	8:30 am	Preschool
	10:00 am	The Prayer Ministry

BOLD means not a normal event or a change of some kind.

LUTHERAN CHAPEL



LUKE 17:5-10

“INCREASE OUR FAITH”

**Faith is a gift from God. Lord, increase our faith,
our trust in Christ day by day.**

17th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 6th, 2019

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LUTHERAN CHAPEL
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GATHER

**Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.*

WELCOME AND PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PARISH NEWS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Matthew 28:19b*

C: Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

1 John 1:8-9

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 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 recite the gift of the Ten Commandments and the Great Commandment and use these teachings to examine our lives.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Exodus 20:1-17

1. You shall have no other gods.
2. You shall not make wrongful use of the Name of the LORD your God.
3. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.
4. Honor your father and mother.
5. You shall not murder.
6. You shall not commit adultery.
7. You shall not steal.
8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
9. You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
10. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife or (husband).

DAILY PRAYER

EACH MORNING AND EVENING, PRAY TO THE LORD (Psalm 1:2). A prayer list, daily lessons to read the Bible together each year, and a song of praise are below. The "Our Daily Bread" devotional is available as a booklet, an app, in e-Book format, daily email, or podcast. Visit odb.org/subscribe. Fill out a prayer card to share or notify the church office with concerns.

PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: Braylon Beam, Donna Carpenter, Jerry Carpenter, Hunter Clark, Kathy Finch, Jerry Fogle, Bettie Hicks, Cathy Lloyd, Robert Park, Betty Petty, and Bill Robinson.

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Ruth Benoy, Jeff Coffey, Amelia Edwards, Heath Hasket, Hannah Wilson, Michael Hobbs, Travis Hogue, Robin Shealy McMillian, Pam Myers, Harry Nicholson, Sam & Lara Raisanen, Martin Salois, Emmalyn Reeder, Pastor Peter Setzer, Mary Ann Sheridan, Sharon Slessman, Charlene Sorenson, Dana Williams and Lulu Zizak.

WEEK 41: OCTOBER 6—OCTOBER 13, 2019

Sun-6 Morning Reading: Philippians 2—Evening Reading: Isaiah 26, 27
Mon-7 Morning Reading: Philippians 3—Evening Reading: Isaiah 28, 29
Tue-8 Morning Reading: Philippians 4—Evening Reading: Isaiah 30, 31
Wed-9 Morning Reading: Colossians 1—Evening Reading: Isaiah 32, 33
Thur-10 Morning Reading: Colossians 2—Evening Reading: Isaiah 34, 35, 36
Fri-11 Morning Reading: Colossians 3—Evening Reading: Isaiah 37, 38
Sat-12 Morning Reading: Colossians 4—Evening Reading: Isaiah 39, 40
Sun-13 Morning Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1—Evening Reading: Isaiah 41, 42

Song Of Praise

"O God our Help in Ages Past"

ELW #632

Next Sundays Lessons for OCTOBER 13, 2019

8:30 Early Service: Acts 15:3-21 *"The Council of Jerusalem"*

Children's Message *"Son of Laughter"* The Jesus Storybook Bible (Genesis 12-21)

10:30 Service: Luke 17:11-19 *"Kyrie Elesion"*

This QR code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that list the commemorations for the week.



Tarts, individually wrapped candy etc. We plan to mail the treat boxes on Wednesday, **October 23rd**. There is a box outside the church office for your donations. Your help is very much appreciated.

PARENTS OF COLLEGE STUDENTS: Parents please make sure the church office has the correct mailing address for your college student. We want to include everyone and it is necessary to have the correct/updated address. Thank you for your help.

FALL OUTING: Members of all ages, please join us for a day of apples and fun at the Windy Hill Apple Orchard on **Saturday, October 26th**. If you are interested in car-pooling or riding the church bus, please be at the church at 9:15 am so we can be at the orchard by 10:00 am. They offer apple picking, hayrides, apple cider and most importantly...APPLE DONUTS! Please let Amy know if you are interested in reserving a seat on the bus.

FALL WORK DAY: Saturday, November 2nd from 9:00 am to noon, please join us for our annual fall work day at the church. We will begin with donuts, sausage biscuits, coffee, etc. and continue through the morning and schedule completing our work by sometime around noon. We have an ambitious number of projects identified. The completion of these projects will be determined by the number of people that can help us. For those of you who feel like you would like to help but would like something less strenuous, we would appreciate small limbs and trash being removed from our campus. Thank you in advance for your consideration to help. Fred Ward

COAT AND JACKET DONATIONS NEEDED: Both the Roots and Sprouts Youth Ministries are collecting jackets and coats for those in need. If you have any old or unused coats and jackets of any size (including children sizes) you would like to donate, please see Amy Carpenter or Chris Clark or bring them to the church office. These donations are needed by **Sunday, November 3rd**.

WELCA: All the women of the church are invited to attend the WELCA annual meeting for fellowship and a light supper **Monday, November 4 at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall**. Please RSVP to Trish Ratchford at pdratchford@hotmail.com or 704-689-1872. Following our meal, there will be a very brief business meeting. Hope to see you there!

SAVE THE DATE!!! The Ladies Night Christmas Banquet has been scheduled. Please mark your calendar now!!! **Saturday, December 14th**, starting at 6:00pm in the Family Life Center. Hope to see you there!

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

Mark 12:28-31

You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength...you shall love your neighbor as yourself.

P: Let us kneel or sit for a time of silent confession and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

"How Firm a Foundation"

ELW #796

***THE APOSTOLIC GREETING**

2 Corinthians 13:13

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

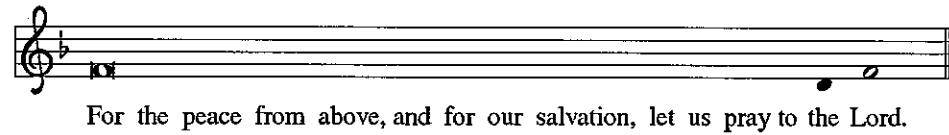
C: And also with you.

***THE KYRIE**

Mark 10:47



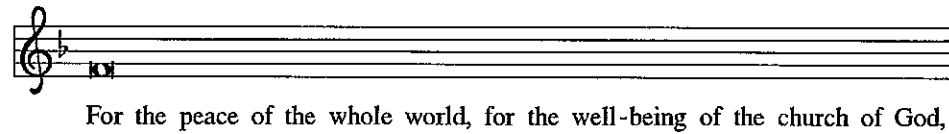
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



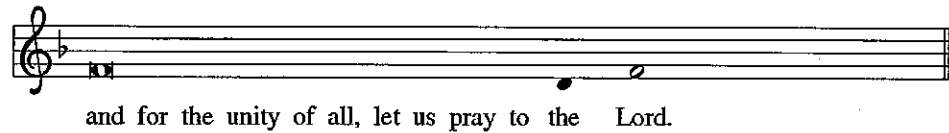
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



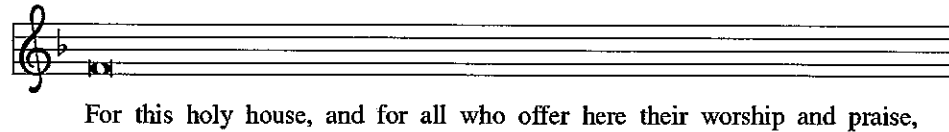
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



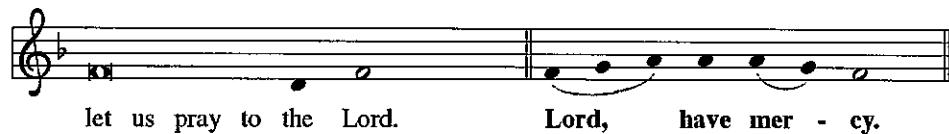
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



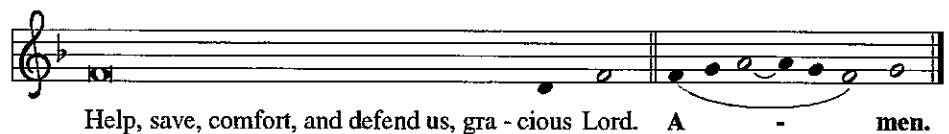
Lord, have mer - cy.



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



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



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

from a video), feel free to join us. Bring a sandwich for lunch or just stay a couple hours. It should be a time of fun, fellowship and accomplishment.

REBECCA CIRCLE: All ladies of the congregation are invited to join the Rebecca Circle at the church on Monday evening, **October 7th** beginning at **6:30 pm**. We will meet in the **Fellowship Hall** with a light supper and WELCA news at 6:30 pm, followed by a program from Officer Amy Hawkins of the Gastonia Police Department on "Safety Tips for Women". All ladies are encouraged to attend even if you are not currently a member of a circle. Please RSVP to Lisa Burch at 19lburch60@gmail.com or 704-675-2294.

BROTHERHOOD MEETING: The Brotherhood will meet on **Tuesday, October 8th**, at 6:00 pm in the Picnic Pavilion. There will be a meal served and a program on safety. Hope to see you there.

ADULT OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT: Come join us on **Friday, October 18th** at 7:00 pm for a movie and treats at the church picnic pavilion. We will be showing a classic fall film under the stars and adults of all ages are invited. Be sure to bring a lawn chair and a blanket!

THE CLOTHING CLOSET WILL BE OPEN ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19th, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. If you know of anyone in need of clothing please let them know.

CONFIRMATION SEMINAR: Our confirmation seminar, for students in 6th-8th grade, will be on **Friday, October 18th** from 6:30 pm in the Youth Room. A light supper will be provided. Please contact Pastor Comer with any questions.

OVER 60 BANQUET: The WELCA sponsored "*Over 60 Banquet*" is scheduled for **Sunday, October 20th** immediately following the 10:30 worship service in the Family Life Center. Please mark your calendars to join us for delicious food, great entertainment and fun fellowship!

SAVE THE DATE: Young women of the church, please join Amy for a night of food and fellowship on **Tuesday, October 22nd** at 6:00 pm at the Spruced Goose in McAdenville. Please let her know if you are available to come by **Monday, October 21st**. Hope to see you there!

COLLEGE STUDENT TREATS: As we move into fall the Women of the ELCA will be collecting treats for Halloween treat boxes for our college students. Examples of items for our treat boxes: cheese crackers, microwave popcorn, granola bars, Pop

THE ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN by Sylvia Fogle to the Glory of God and in memory of the anniversary of Charles and Bleeka Robinson.

THOSE WHO SERVE AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL ON OCTOBER 6, 2019

Ministers..... People of Lutheran Chapel
 Pastor.....Michael Comer
 Administrative Assistant.....Kim Rundzieher
 Interim Director of Youth and Family Ministry.....Amy Carpenter
 Organist.....Lisa Burch
 Music Director..... Roger Myers
 Music Director..... Jeanette Myers
 Nursery WorkerCharlie Jones
 Assistant Minister.....Norman Overcash
 Lector.....Mark Thornburg
 Acolyte..... Lillian Robinson
 Crucifer..... Baker Sanders
 Ushers.....Chris Angstadt, Ken Obenauf, Rick Peak
 Council Members.....Wendy Robinson & Sherrie Angstadt
 Altar Guild.....Sylvia Fogle & Ann Edwards
 Helping Hands.....Katie Potter

PARISH NEWS

COMMUNION CARDS: Please fill out a communion card so that the church office has a record of those who have received Holy Communion today. Thank you.

PARENTS: There are crayons, coloring sheets and activity pages for the children to use during the service if needed. All materials are located in the Narthex near the balcony stairs.

YOUTH PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: After the middle and high school youth group meets from 5-6 pm in the Youth Room on Sunday nights, we are in need of youth parent volunteers to supervise open gym and dinner from 6-7 pm. Please contact Amy Carpenter at amy@lutheranchapelchurch.org if you are willing to help.

FAMILY ADVENT: Anyone interested in helping get items ready for the Family Advent event are welcome to come to the Fellowship Hall on **October 9th** and again on **October 16th** from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. If you can cut popsicle sticks, paint popsicle sticks, cut from a pattern, or do simple origami (which you will be taught to do

THIS IS THE FEAST

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

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb



who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
 slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(prayed together)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

C: Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
 The Jesus Storybook Bible

A Giant Staircase to Heaven
(pass prayer cards to the ushers)

THE FIRST LESSON

HABAKKUK 1:1-4, 2:1-4

Injustice and violence in the time leading up to the Babylonian exile move this prophet to lament: How can a good and all-powerful God see evil in the world and seemingly remain indifferent? God answers by proclaiming that the wicked will perish, but the righteous will live by faith.

Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -
 filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the
 sight of ev - ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions
 and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.
 Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

AM: Holy and compassionate God, in bread and wine You give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May Your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer.

C: Amen.

***BENEDICTION**

***RECESSIONAL HYMN** "God of Grace and God of Glory" ELW #705

***THE DISMISSAL—LUTHERAN CHAPEL CHILDREN AND POSTLUDE**

Children: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God.

***LAMB OF GOD**

Luke 2:29—32

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.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT

Admission to the Sacrament is by invitation of the Lord Jesus to all baptized. If you have yet to receive baptism, you are welcome to come for a blessing. For those of you who choose, grape juice is available in the middle of the tray. Gluten free Communion bread is available upon request.

COMMUNION HYMNS

#769, #759, #629

SENDING

***THE BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you and preserve you in body and soul to everlasting life. Let us depart in + peace.

C: Amen.

***SONG OF SIMEON**

Luke 2:29-32

¹The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

²O LORD, how long shall I cry for help,
and You will not listen?
Or cry to You "Violence!"
and You will not save?

³Why do You make me see wrongdoing
and look at trouble?
Destruction and violence are before me;
strife and contention arise.

⁴So the law becomes slack
and justice never prevails.
The wicked surround the righteous—
therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

^{2:1}I will stand at my watchpost,
and station myself on the rampart;
I will keep watch to see what He will say to me,
and what He will answer concerning my complaint.

²Then the LORD answered me and said:
Write the vision;
make it plain on tablets,
so that a runner may read it.

³For there is still a vision for the appointed time;
it speaks of the end, and does not lie.
If it seems to tarry, wait for it;
it will surely come, it will not delay.

⁴Look at the proud!
Their spirit is not right in them,
but the righteous live by their faith.

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 37

Nancy Raabe

Com - mit your way to the Lord; _____ put your
 trust in the Lord, and see what God _____ will do.

¹Do not be provoked by evil-doers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
²For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.

Refrain:

³Put your trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and find safe pasture.
⁴Take delight in the Lord, who shall give you your heart's desire.

Refrain:

⁵Commit your way to the Lord; put your trust in the Lord, and see what God will do.
⁶The Lord will make your vindication as clear as the light and the justice of your case like the noonday sun.

Refrain:

⁷Be still before the Lord and wait patiently; Do not be provoked by the one who prospers,
the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
⁸Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not be provoked; it leads only to evil.
⁹For evil-doers shall be cut off, but those who hope in the Lord shall possess the land.

Refrain:

¹⁰In a little while the wicked shall be no more; even if you search out their place, they will not be there.
¹¹But the lowly shall possess the land; they will delight in abundance of peace.

Refrain:

³⁹But the deliverance of the righteous comes from You, O Lord; You are their stronghold in time of trouble.
⁴⁰You, O Lord, will help them and rescue them; you will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them, because in You they seek refuge.

Refrain:

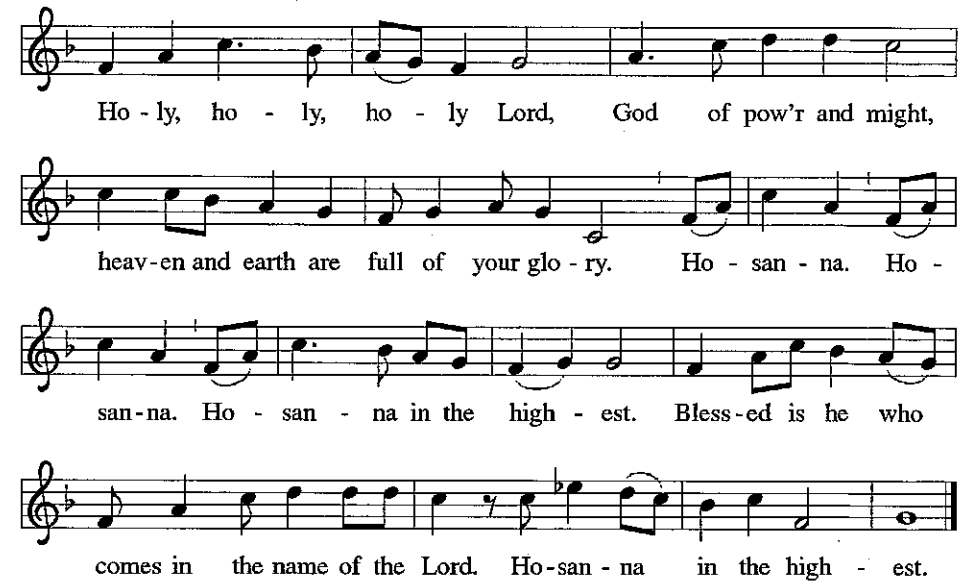
THE SECOND LESSON

2 TIMOTHY 1:1-14

This message written from Paul to Timothy is a personal message of encouragement. In the face of hardship and persecution, Timothy is reminded that his faith is a gift of God. He is encouraged to exercise that faith with the help of the Holy Spirit.

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,
²To Timothy, my beloved child:

PREFACE FOR THE DAY AND THE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY *Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9*



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.

***THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION** *Matthew 26, Mark 14, Luke 22, 1 Corinthians 11*

P: In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is My body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of Me.
Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in My blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of Me.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Matthew 6:9-13

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven,
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

MEAL

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Malachi 3:10, 2 Corinthians 9:7-8

ANTHEM

"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast"

CHANCEL CHOIR

J. S. Bach arr. R. Myers

DOXOLOGY

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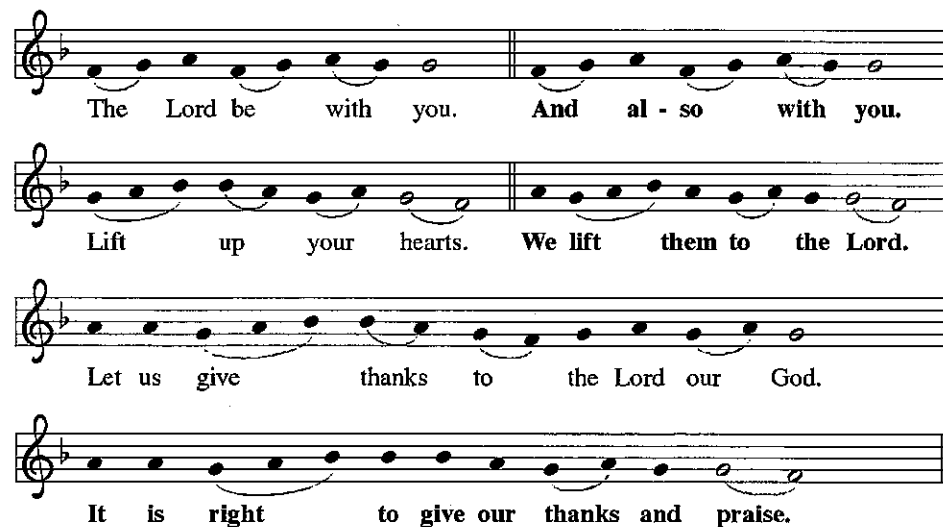
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

AM: Blessed are You, O God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered in feeding the world with Your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

2 Timothy 4:22, Colossians 3:1, Psalm 136



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

³I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. ⁴Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. ⁵I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. ⁶For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; ⁷for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

⁸Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me His prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, ⁹who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to His own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. ¹¹For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, ¹²and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that He is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to Him.

¹³Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

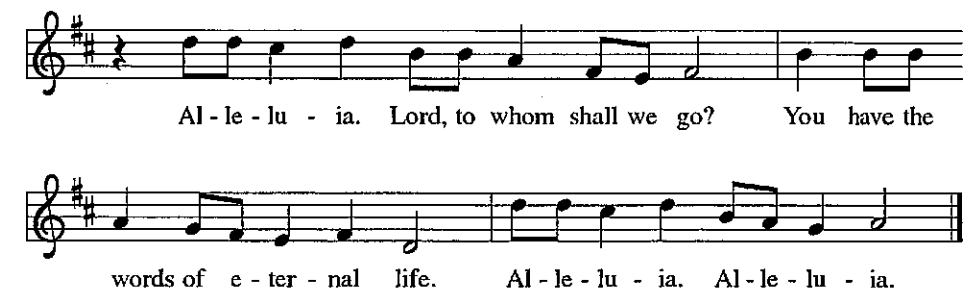
Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"Alleluia"

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.

*THE GOSPEL

LUKE 17:5-10

Response after announcement

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus instructs His followers about the power of faith and the duties of discipleship. He calls His disciples to adopt the attitude of servants whose actions are responses to their identity rather than works seeking reward.

⁵The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" ⁶The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

⁷"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? ⁸Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? ⁹Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? ¹⁰So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

MESSAGE

"Increase Our Faith"

Increase Our Faith

The Prophet Habakkuk

Trusting Christ is a Gift and a Journey

THE LAW is an aspect of God's Word that shows sin and brokenness: *I have got it all together. Indeed, your faith should be just like mine, right?*

THE GOSPEL is an aspect of God's Word that comforts and saves in Christ: *The LORD will increase our faith in Christ from now to Heaven above.*

ON DISCIPLESHIP—LEARNING OF AND FROM JESUS: Pray each day—*Lord, what is Your will for me to do today? What is your take away for your walk with Christ?*

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

"Morning Has Broken"

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THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life + everlasting. Amen.**

*THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

1 Timothy 2:1-4

AM: Knowing the one in whom we trust, and with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

AM: Increase the faith of Your church. Give us courage when we are reticent in sharing Your love. Renew in us Your holy calling, according to Your own purpose and grace. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Prayers continue and conclude with this petition

P: Trusting and delighting in You, we commend all our lives into Your loving hands. We offer these prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

*THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Matthew 5:22-24, Ephesians 4:1-3