Lord of Life Lutheran Church Plano, Texas

Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life

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Our Mission Statement

Bring people into a living relationship with Jesus Christ by

† reaching up to God in worship and prayer,

† reaching in to be empowered by God's Word as members of His family &

† reaching out at every opportunity with the Gospel of Christ.

A Prayer before Worship

Today my Lord and Savior, You entered the city that murders prophets and stones messengers of God. We are all citizens of this city, we who so often want to silence Your voice so we can avoid hearing Your Word. We've always been willing to honor You because others did it. We hoped You would help us with our own plans and fulfill Your Father's will for our sake, doing what You alone could do. You've done everything for us. Help us do something for You. Amen. (Bo Giertz, 1905-1998)

Large Print Bulletin and Children's Bulletin

Copies of today's bulletin are available in LARGE PRINT. Children's Activity Bulletins are also available. Please ask an usher if you would like to use either of these options.

Nursery/Cry Room

The nursery is available for families with young children ages 2 and under in Room 109. It will not be staffed until further notice. Or, if you prefer, Room 100 also is available as a cry room and/or a room for nursing mothers. Please ask an usher if you need assistance or directions.

For Those Desiring Holy Communion, Please Read:

"Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself." 1Corinthians 11:27-29

Being admonished to receive Christ's Body and Blood in a worthy manner, let us prepare our hearts for reception of this sacrament by privately answering the following:

- 1. Do I believe that I am a sinful person without hope of eternal life except for God's mercy in Christ?
- 2. Do I believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son and my personal Savior?
- 3. Do I believe that He is personally present in the Sacrament of Holy Communion with His Body and Blood?
- 4. Do I hope by the power of the Holy Spirit to live a godly life?

AS YOU COME TO THE LORD'S SUPPER you are affirming with each communicant that Jesus is your Savior and Lord, that you believe His Body and Blood are present, and that you desire to serve Him as a disciple in the fellowship of His church. If you are not an active member of an LCMS congregation, please speak with the Pastor before communing.

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 15, 2021 8:00 AM and 10:45 AM Divine Service II – *LSB* 167

Prelude

Stand

Entrance Hymn

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" LSB 411



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Invocation, Confession, and Absolution

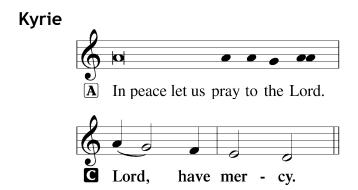
The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.
- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- **C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8-9*

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

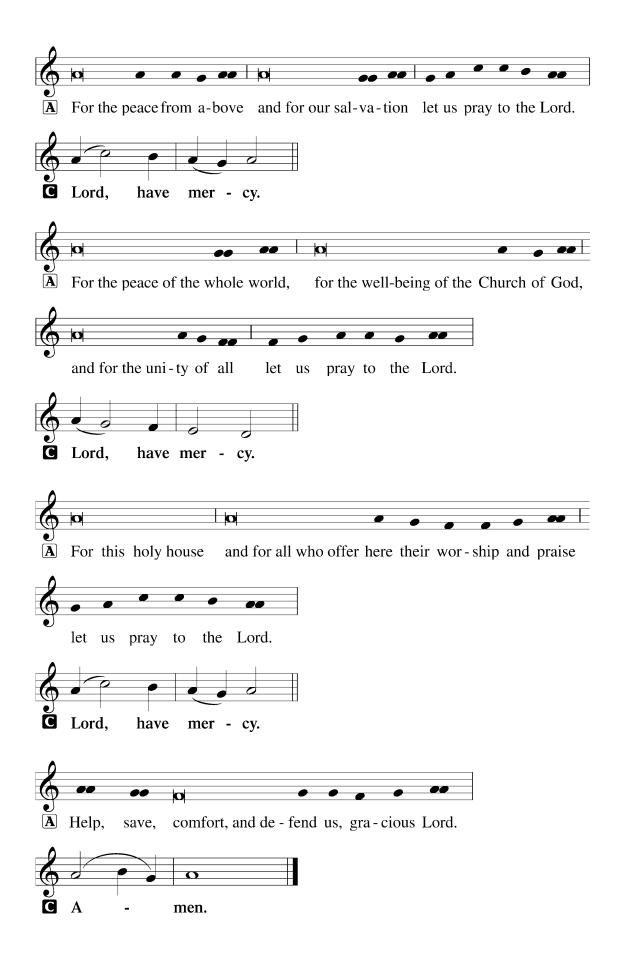
- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.
- 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.
 John 20:19-23
- **C** Amen.

+++Service of the Word+++



Mark 10:47; LSB 168

Matthew 28:19b, [18-20]



Hymn of Praise



Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow His steps in the way that leads to life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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C Amen.
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Old Testament Reading

¹Wisdom has built her house;

Proverbs 9:1-10

- she has hewn her seven pillars. ²She has slaughtered her beasts; she has mixed her wine; she has also set her table. ³She has sent out her young women to call from the highest places in the town, ⁴"Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!" To him who lacks sense she says, ⁵"Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. ⁶Leave your simple ways, and live, and walk in the way of insight." ⁷Whoever corrects a scoffer gets himself abuse, and he who reproves a wicked man incurs injury. ⁸Do not reprove a scoffer, or he will hate you; reprove a wise man, and he will love you. ⁹Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser; teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning. ¹⁰The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight. This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

A C

Epistle

Ephesians 5:6–21

⁶Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. ⁷Therefore do not associate with them; ⁸for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light ⁹(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), ¹⁰and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. ¹³But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, ¹⁴for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

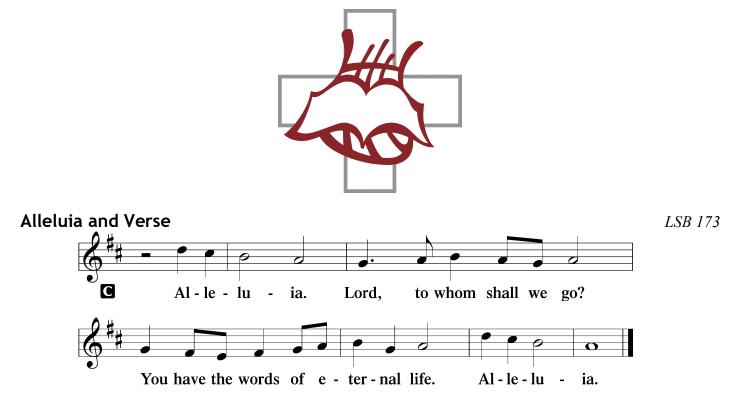
"Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

¹⁵Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, ²⁰giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand



Holy Gospel

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



⁵¹[Jesus said:] "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" ⁵³So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. ⁵⁵For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. ⁵⁷As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not as the fathers ate and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever." ⁵⁹Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as he taught at Capernaum.

⁶⁰When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?" ⁶¹But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, "Do you take offense at this? ⁶²Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is of no avail. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴But there are some of you who do not believe." (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) ⁶⁵And he said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father."

⁶⁶After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. ⁶⁷So Jesus said to the Twelve, "Do you want to go away as well?" ⁶⁸Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, ⁶⁹and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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Hymn of the Day



Sermon

Stand

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, LSB 174

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.

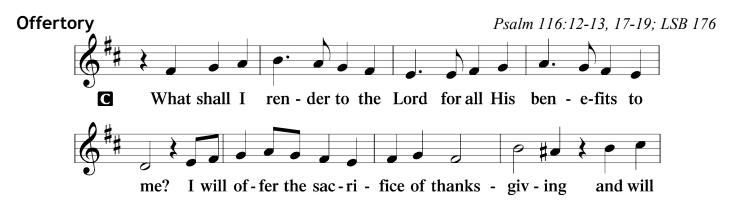
And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission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

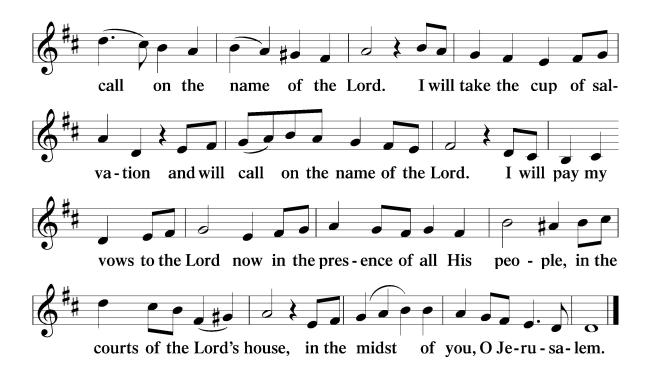
Prayer of the Church

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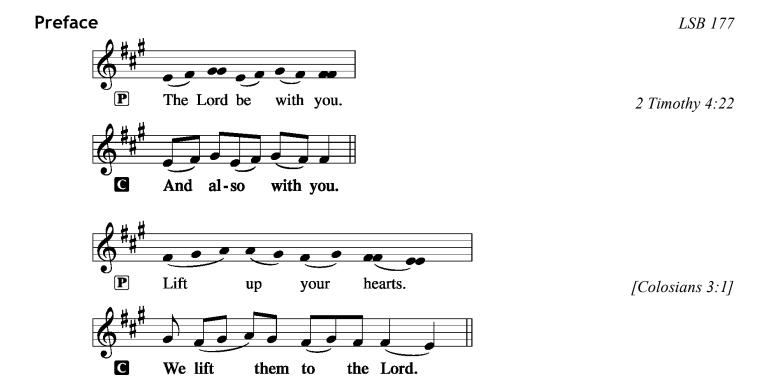
(Ordinarily, this is the time to collect our offerings. As we are forgoing passing a plate, an offering plate has been placed at the rear of the sanctuary. You may also mail your offerings or contribute online from our website's "Giving" link.)

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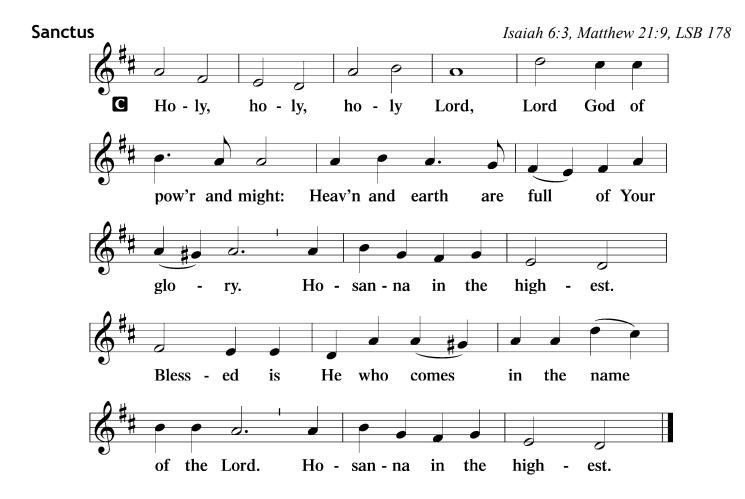
+++Service of the Sacrament+++





Proper Preface

▶ It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



The Words of Our Lord

Matthew 26:26-28, Mark 14:22-24 Luke 22:19-20, 1 Corinthians 11:23-25; LSB 179

- P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
- P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Proclamation of Christ

- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. *I Corinthians 11:26*
- **C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Revelation 22:20

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

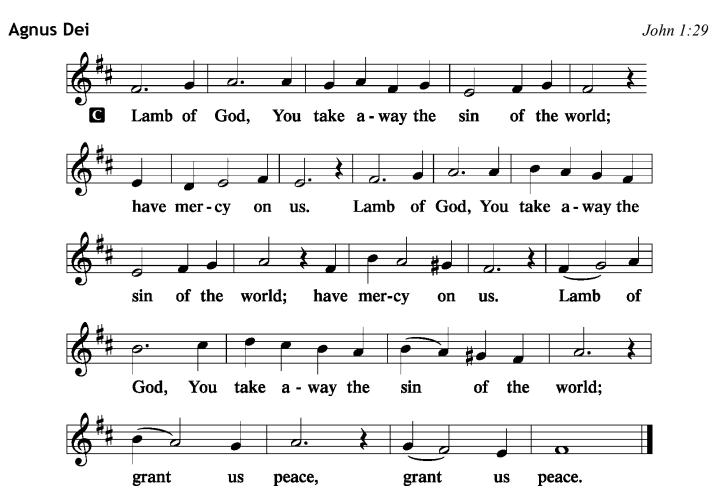
Matthew 6:9-13

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 \mathbf{P} The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

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Distribution

Communicants are asked to hold forth their open hand to receive the bread so the elder may discern who is confirmed. Gluten-free wafers are available. Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center circle of individual cups for those who prefer it.

Distribution Hymn

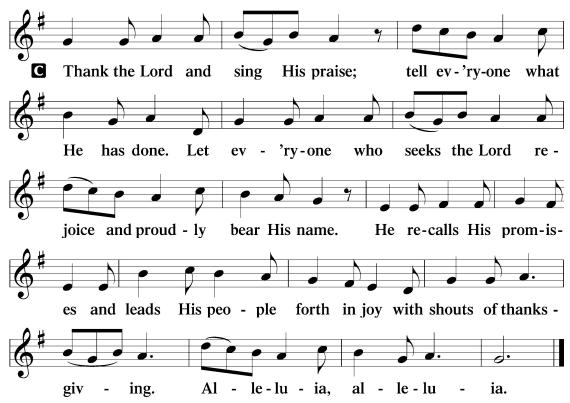
The Lutheran Service Book is located in the basket underneath the chair in front of you.

Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread

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Post-Communion Canticle



Post-Communion Collect

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.





LSB 183

Recessional Hymn

"Rise, Shine, You People" LSB 825



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Announcements

Dismissal

- **P** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Postlude

An offering may be placed in the offering plate as you exit.

A Prayer after Worship

Almighty and merciful God, we have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for our many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. We thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep us in faith until we inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Sunday School - Children K - 5th Grade

Sunday school classes begin at 9:25 am in Room 116 for music. At 10:30 am parents may pick up K - 5th graders from Room 113.

IMPACT Bible Class

Students meet at 9:30 am with Scott Peters in Room 122.

Adult Bible Class

Adult Bible Class, led by Pastor Shaltanis, meets in the fellowship hall at 9:30ish.

Adult Bible Class Small Group Alternative

Mike Kunschke leads a study on Ephesians. Anyone who is interested is invited to attend this class at 9:30 am in Room 115, just let Mike know.

Greeter Ministry Starting Back Up

We welcome Catherine Borck as the new greeter scheduler. Thank you to Mollie Manning for all of her work on this previously. If you are interested in serving as a greeter, please contact Catherine at 860-869-0337 or caborck@gmail.com.

Comfort Makers is in Need of Sheets to Use for Quilt Backings

They can be any size or color and do not need to be new. You may leave them in the sewing closet in the fellowship hall or contact Dee Peters with your donation. Thanks to all who have helped support this outreach over the years. We have sent over 3000 quilts to Lutheran World Relief and other local charities since we started this mission effort 17 years ago! To God be the glory!

Faith Lutheran School Golf Tournament

Save the date: the 10th annual Faith Lutheran golf tournament for Faith Lutheran School of Plano will take place Friday, October 8, 2021 at Heritage Ranch Golf & Country Club. Sponsorships available. For info contact Amy Crawford at 214-728-0273 or <u>acrawford@flsplano.org</u>.

Life Thoughts in the Church Year

We have no Savior to speak of except Him whom Mary's womb conceived and delivered. We have no Gospel message but the one that begins in childbearing (Galatians 4:4-5). As helpless and dependent as any embryo, human beings – any of us – only enter immortality by baptismal birth to become beloved children belonging to the Heavenly Father. Pregnancy is never a sin. Every child is a gift!

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org

Study Lamentations 1-3 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), study Hebrews 6-9 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and worship with us in Daily Chapel at 10:00 a.m. CT. Find your favorite programs on demand at <u>kfuo.org</u> or on our KFUO Radio app!

Real Options Prayer Requests

Real Options sends out weekly newsletters, which include prayers needed for those grappling with hard choices on life topics. They are posted on the Lutherans for Life bulletin board in the hallway, between the narthex and the church offices.

Serving Our Worship Today:		
Pastor: Organist: Altar Guild:	Lynda Abbott	Pastor Joel Shaltanis Victoria Frinsko , Charis Bennett, Nancy Cawood
Elders: Ushers: Sound:		Tim Ozlowski, Mike Kunschke Mike Paradise, Alex Duff Russ Wilkerson, Doug Hite
This Week at L 8:00 am	Lord of Life-Today, August 15, 2021 Early Worship Service	Next Sunday's Readings August 22, 2021
9:30 am	Children's Sunday School	Old Testament: Is. 29:11–19
	(K-5 th Gr, Room 113) IMPACT Class (Room 122)	Epistle: Eph. 5:22–33
	Adult Bible Class (Fellowship Hall) Adult Bible Small Class (Room 114)	Gospel: Mark 7:1–13
10:45 am Tuesday, August 7:00 pm	Board of Elders	Altar
Thursday, August 7:00 pm	t 19 Admin Council	The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of
Friday, August 20 9:00 am) Comfort Makers	God by Duffy and Cindy Carter in celebration of their 25 th wedding anniversary; and by Janice Sullivan in thanksgiving for Christian family.



About the Cover: The crowds cannot accept the teaching that Jesus is delivering in His bread-of-life discourse. At Jesus' question of whether the disciples will leave too, Simon Peter knows there is only one viable option. There is nowhere else to go. Jesus alone has the words of eternal life. The same applies to us. Amid a multitude of voices promising life, Jesus is the only one with words of forgiveness and eternal life accomplished through His cross.