

**Lord of Life Lutheran Church  
Plano, Texas**





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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

*We are weak and sick, O Father, and the temptations of the flesh and the world are great and many. O Father, keep us, and let us not fall again into temptation and sin. Give us grace that we may remain steadfast and fight bravely to the end. Without your grace and help we can do nothing, Amen.*

*(M. Luther, 1483-1546)*

### 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 Savior?
3. Do I believe that He is 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.

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## Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 17, 2022

8:00 AM and 10:45 AM

Divine Service IV – *LSB 203*

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### Prelude

*Stand*



### Entrance Hymn

“How Firm a Foundation”

*LSB 728*



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,  
2 “Fear not! I am with you, O be not dis - mayed,  
3 “The soul that on Je - sus has leaned for re - pose  
4 “When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way will lie,  
5 “Through - out all their life - time My peo - ple will prove



Is laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word!  
For I am your God and will still give you aid;  
I will not, I will not, de - sert to his foes;  
My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, will be your sup - ply.  
My sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;

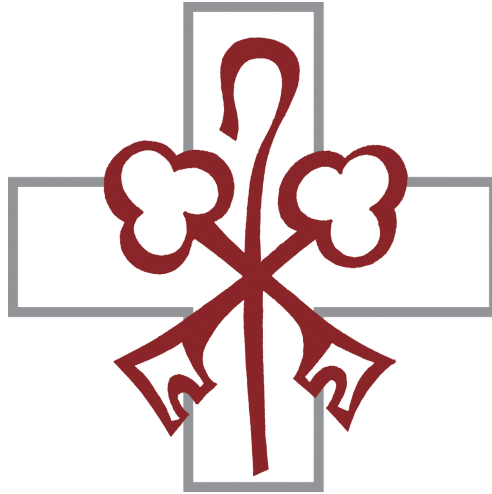


What more can He say than to you He has said  
I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
That soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,  
The flames will not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign  
And then, when gray hairs will their tem - ples a - dorn,



Who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?  
Up - held by My righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.  
I'll nev - er, no nev - er, no nev - er, for - sake!  
Your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.  
Like lambs they will still in My bos - om be borne.”

Text: A Selection of Hymns, 1787, London, alt. Tune: Genuine Church Music, 1832, Winchester



## Invocation, Confession, and Absolution

LSB 203

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

*Matthew 28-19b, [18:20]*

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

*Psalm 124:8*

- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** who made heaven and earth.

*Psalm 130:3-4*

- 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.

*[Luke 18:13]*

- 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.

*[John 20:19-23]*

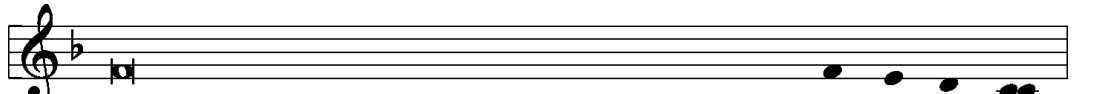
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.




## +++Service of the Word+++

### Kyrie

Mark 10:47; LSB 204



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



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

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



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

**P** 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.




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

**P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



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

**P** Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.



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

## Gloria in Excelsis

*Luke 2:14, John 1:29; LSB 204*



- 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-shipped 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.



## Salutation and Collect of the Day

*2 Timothy 4:22; LSB 205*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

O Lord, grant us the Spirit to hear Your Word and know the one thing needful that by Your Word and Spirit we may live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.



## Old Testament Reading

*Genesis 18:1–14*

<sup>1</sup> The LORD appeared to [Abraham] by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup>He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth <sup>3</sup>and said, “O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. <sup>4</sup>Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, <sup>5</sup>while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.” <sup>6</sup>And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, “Quick! Three seahs of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes.” <sup>7</sup>And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. <sup>8</sup>Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

<sup>9</sup>They said to him, “Where is Sarah your wife?” And he said, “She is in the tent.” <sup>10</sup>The LORD said, “I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son.” And Sarah was listening at the tent door behind him. <sup>11</sup>Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years. The way of women had ceased to be with Sarah. <sup>12</sup>So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, “After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?” <sup>13</sup>The LORD said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah laugh and say, ‘Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?’ <sup>14</sup>Is anything too hard for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you about this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son.”

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

*Colossians 1:21–29*

<sup>21</sup>You, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, <sup>22</sup>he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, <sup>23</sup>if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

<sup>24</sup>Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ’s afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, <sup>25</sup>of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, <sup>26</sup>the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. <sup>27</sup>To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. <sup>28</sup>Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. <sup>29</sup>For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

## Alleluia and Verse

LSB 205

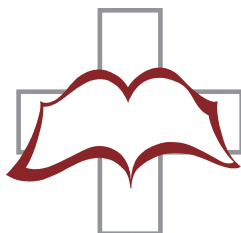


**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**C** These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



## Holy Gospel

Luke 10:38–42

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.  
**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>38</sup>Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. <sup>39</sup>And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. <sup>40</sup>But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." <sup>41</sup>But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, <sup>42</sup>but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**C** Praise to You, O Christ.





## Nicene Creed

LSB 206

**☐ I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

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

## Hymn of the Day

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

LSB 575



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less Than Je - sus'  
2 When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on  
3 His oath, His cov - e - nant and blood Sup - port me  
4 When He shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh, may I

blood and righ - teous - ness; No mer - it of my  
His un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and  
in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly  
then in Him be found, Clothed in His righ - teous -

own I claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
storm - y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.  
prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.  
ness a - lone, Re - deemed to stand be - fore His throne!

*Refrain*

On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

Text: Edward Mote, 1797–1874, alt. Tune: John Stainer, 1840–1901

## Sermon

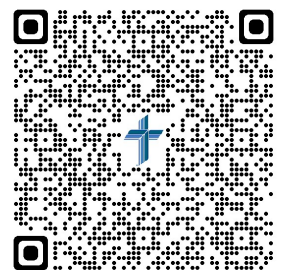
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## Prayer of the Church

*Sit*

*(Traditionally, this is the time to collect offerings, instead there is an offering plate at the rear of the sanctuary. Other giving options are through the mail or online from our website's "Giving" link. This QR code points there.)*

*Stand*





## +++Service of the Sacrament+++

### Preface

*2 Timothy 4:22, [Colossians 3:1], [Psalm 136]; LSB 208*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them to the Lord.

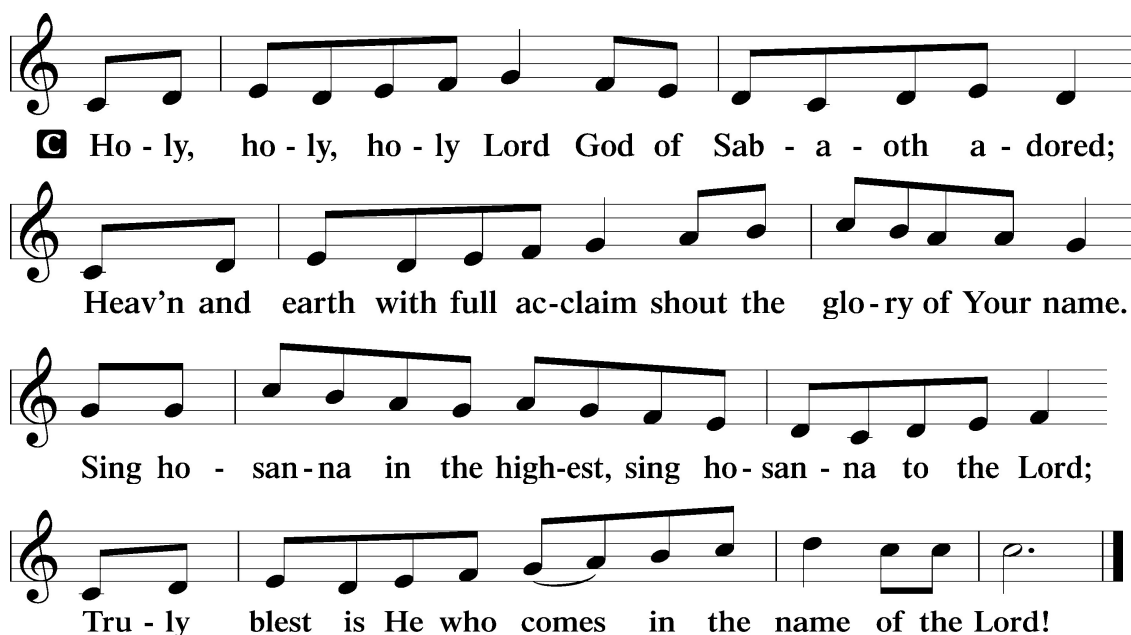
**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**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

*Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;  
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.  
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;  
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 209

- 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

*Matthew 6:9–13*

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

## The Words of Our Lord

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

- 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  $\cdot\text{I}\cdot$  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  $\cdot\text{I}\cdot$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



## Pax Domini

John 20:19

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** Amen.

*Sit*



## Agnus Dei

John 1:29; LSB 210

**C** 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,

You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;

O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,

Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

## 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.

## At the Name of Jesus

LSB 512

*Stand*

# Nunc Dimittis ~ Song of Simeon

Luke 2:29-32; LSB 211

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;  
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is  
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

## Post-Communion Collect

LSB 212

**P** Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; 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

[Psalm 103:1]

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

Numbers 6:24–26

- 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  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## Closing Hymn

“Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me”

LSB 683



1 Je - sus, Thy bound - less love to me No thought can reach, no  
2 O grant that noth - ing in my soul May dwell, but Thy pure  
3 This love un - wea - ried I pur - sue And daunt - less - ly to  
4 In suf - f'ring be Thy love my peace, In weak - ness be Thy



tongue de - clare; U - nite my thank - ful heart to Thee,  
love a - lone; Oh, may Thy love pos - sess me whole,  
Thee as - pire. Oh, may Thy love my hope re - new,  
love my pow'r; And when the storms of life shall cease,



And reign with - out a ri - val there! Thine whol - ly, Thine a -  
My joy, my trea - sure, and my crown! All cold - ness from my  
Burn in my soul like heav'n - ly fire! And day and night, be  
O Je - sus, in that fi - nal hour, Be Thou my rod and



lone I am; Be Thou a - lone my con - stant flame.  
heart re - move; My ev - 'ry act, word, thought be love.  
all my care To guard this sa - cred trea - sure there.  
staff and guide, And draw me safe - ly to Thy side!

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–76; tr. John B. Wesley, 1703–91, alt. Tune: Norman Cocker, 1889–1953  
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*Sit*

## Announcements

## Dismissal

- P** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Postlude

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

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## **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.

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## **Sunday School - Children K - 5<sup>th</sup> 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 for a Bible study.

## **Adult Bible Class**

Both adult classes are meeting in the fellowship hall this morning at 9:30 for a special presentation.

## **Adult Bible Class Small Group Alternative**

The small group is meeting in the fellowship hall this week and next week to participate in those special classes. Starting back on July 31, Mike Kunschke will lead a new study on the book of Acts.

## **Lutherans for Life Team**

The Lutherans for Life team is in a wonderful position to have any funds we raise as a congregation in the next 4 weeks matched. Not only will The Lutheran—Church Missouri Synod (Campaign "Million Dollar Life Match") match any funds raised, but our elders have also offered to match up to a certain amount.

What a fantastic opportunity to raise money for "Real Options" the organization we already have a wonderful relationship with and whom we support in their efforts for our community. Please notate any donations "Life" so we ensure it goes to where you would like it to. Melanie Scarth would love to answer any questions if you have them.

## **Frisco Rough Riders Game vs Tulsa Drillers (LA Dodgers affiliate)**

**Friday September 9, 2022 6:35pm game, \$20 per ticket** includes premium seating, \$10 concessions credit and fireworks. (Dallas Stars Night) Parking is not included — \$5–\$10 depending upon where you park. See sign-up sheet in the narthex.

## **Fifth Sunday Potluck**

A fifth Sunday potluck is planned for Sunday, July 31, following the late service. Check out the sign-up sheets in the narthex, where you can let us know how many in your family will attend. You may also sign up to bring your favorite potluck dish to share. There will be opportunities to help with set-up and clean-up on Saturday and Sunday. If you have questions, please contact Gail Senter at [gail.senter@verizon.net](mailto:gail.senter@verizon.net) or 972.672.5769.



## **CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE**

Study a variety of Psalms on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), study Genesis 35-39 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.), and join us for Daily Chapel from the LCMS International Center weekdays at 10:00 a.m. Find these programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or KFUE Radio app.

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# KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE



## What is a “canticle”?

The word “canticle” (pronounced KAN-ti-kle) comes from the Latin word “cantus,” which means “song.” A canticle is a song based on a text from Holy Scripture. What could be better than to sing praises to God with the words He gives us?



## What’s the difference between a canticle and a hymn?

Hymns and canticles both put God’s Word to music. You’ll know you are singing a hymn when all of the verses are sung to the same melody. You’ll know you are singing a canticle when the verses continue without repeating the melody. What glorious variety our Lord gives in the Divine Service!



**Parents:** The best way to differentiate between canticles and hymns is to look and listen. Usually the “songs” in a hymnal are appropriately designated as a hymn or a canticle. Help your children to compare the differences. You can see and hear the differences. Point out the differences and discuss the words. Take a look at the texts in the Bible that have inspired the canticle or hymn.



# SUSANNA KERN SIHLER

## *Tireless Servant of Church and Seminary*

BORN: SEPTEMBER 30, 1829 *Bavaria, Germany*

DIED: AUGUST 18, 1918 *Fort Wayne, Ind.*

**T**HOUGH STILL A YOUNG WOMAN in 1846, Susanna Kern of Union County, Ohio, found her life taking a new and unexpected turn. Bachelor Wilhelm Sihler had arrived as the third pastor of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne in 1845. The congregational leadership thought their pastor should be married, and he agreed. Being a newcomer to the area, however, he was unaware of any potential candidates. One colleague suggested that Sihler consider Miss Kern and, as the story goes, he traveled to the area of Marysville, Ohio, in the spring of 1846. There, having observed her working hard in the fields, he stated, “She’ll do.” They were married the following day!

The newlyweds set up housekeeping in the parsonage of St. Paul — but not only for themselves. They were soon joined by the first of their nine children, but they were also quickly joined by the first class of Concordia Theological Seminary in the fall of 1846 — eleven students who had come to the United States to study at the Lutheran seminary at Fort Wayne. Classes were held in St. Paul’s parsonage, and Mrs. Sihler, though younger than some of the students she served, proved to be indispensable to the seminary’s success. Susanna Kern Sihler was widowed in 1885 and died August 18, 1918.

Susanna Kern Sihler was just one of the many women who served quietly and selflessly out of gratefulness to God for His grace and mercy. She shared the Gospel of Christ in word and in deed as Jesus enabled her not only to her children but also to the seminarians at Fort Wayne during the first 15 years of the seminary’s history. And for that, we, the recipients of her faithful service, are deeply thankful.

**For more information about the 175th anniversary of the LCMS, visit [lcms.org/175](https://lcms.org/175).**

### DISCOVER MORE

*“Pioneer Woman Prominent in History of Local Lutheranism,” Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette, March 12, 1911.*



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— 175 YEARS —

## Serving Our Worship Today:

Pastor:	Pastor Joel Shaltanis
Preacher:	Nick Belcher
Organist:	Daniel Kim
Acolyte:	Robert Duff
Altar Guild:	Jessica Reeves, Carol Nance, Kathy Hite
Elders:	Scott Peters, Mike Kunschke
Greeters:	Stu and Sandy Ehrett, Laurie and Abby George
Ushers:	Don Bunger, Joel Crumrine
Sound:	Garrett Hacker, Doug Hite

## This Week at Lord of Life-Today, July 17, 2022

8:00 am	Early Worship Service
9:30 am	Children's Sunday School (K-5 <sup>th</sup> Gr, Room 113) IMPACT Class (Room 122) Adult Bible Class (Fellowship Hall) Adult Bible Small Class (Room 114)
10:45 am	Late Worship Service
12:00 pm	College Bible Study

Tuesday, July 19

12:00 pm	Women's Bible Study
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Wednesday, July 20

10:00 am	Midweek Bible Study
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## Next Sunday's Readings July 24, 2022

Old Testament: Gen. 18:(17–19)  
20–33

Epistle: Col. 2:6–15 (16–19)

Gospel: Luke 11:1–13



The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God by Ben & Melanie Scarth in celebration of their anniversary; and by Mark & Carrie Ziegelbein in celebration of Noah and Emma's 18<sup>th</sup> birthday.



Pentecost

**About the Cover:** "One thing is necessary." However, for Martha, many things were necessary in order to serve the Lord in her home, certainly too many things to allow Mary to sit at the feet of Jesus! But Jesus shows her that the good portion is what He serves in His Word. He is the bread of life, who feeds us with what He has accomplished on the cross. One thing is necessary. It is Jesus.