

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 21, 2025

**For God
so loved
the world.**

JOHN 3:16



LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS-LCMS

*Welcoming all to walk together
toward abundant life in Christ.*

THEME: BE HEARERS AND DOERS OF THE WORD

⁴⁷ Everyone who comes to me and hears my words and does them, I will show you what he is like: ⁴⁸ he is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when a flood arose, the stream broke against that house and could not shake it, because it had been well built. Luke 6:47–48 (ESV)

A WORD TO OUR FRIENDS ABOUT COMMUNION:

Welcome! As members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, we're excited to share what Holy Communion means to us. We believe that when we receive the bread and wine, the body and blood of Jesus Christ are truly present "in, with, and under" them—not because the bread and wine change into something else or merely symbolize His body and blood, but because Jesus Himself said, "Take, eat, this is My body" and "Take, drink, this is My blood." Through His divine Word, we trust that we're truly receiving Christ's body and blood along with the bread and wine.

For us, this Sacrament is more than a memorial—it's Jesus coming to us in a real, tangible way. We believe it is Christ truly coming to us and offering His body and his blood in an outward sign of His love for us and as an outward assurance of the forgiveness He won for us by His death on the cross. This is what we believe and confess about Holy Communion, rooted in Scripture and our faith in Christ.

If you're not a member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod and have questions about our Communion practices—or if you'd like to join us at the Lord's Table—we'd love for you to talk with our pastor beforehand. After reading this and reflecting on your own beliefs, please fill out the Pew Card in the pew rack. When the offering plate comes by, place your tithes and gifts in it, then pass your Pew Card to the center aisle for the ushers to collect. May God bless our time together in this Communion service!

COMMUNION OPTIONS FOR THOSE WITH ALLERGIES:

- *Gluten-free communion wafers* are available by taking one from the paten (plate) that is sitting separately in a white container.
- *Grape Juice* (clear liquid) is available in the center of the tray containing individual cups of regular wine (red liquid).

AS WE GATHER

The Divine Service is unlike our other activities during the week—in the marketplace, our place of employment, or our school—where we struggle to be "the people of God" amid the temptations and confusing details of living in a world still disfigured by sin, tragedy, selfishness, and death. By our own fault, we daily fall short of our calling as Christians. We are reminded today of the judgment of God's Law by the prophet Amos against our worry over money and our own needs that distract us from the often-greater needs of

others and even our own true need of faith and reliance on God above all. Each day of the week, the demands of the Ten Commandments of God call us back to our need for forgiveness and God's mercy, grace, help, and love. So, we gather here for Divine Service, that is, God attending to our real needs. We come to repent of our sin and failure, and to receive forgiveness and new life and hope. That forgiveness and hope comes solely from the God who "loved the world" so much "that He gave His only Son" to die for you (John 3:16). We do not have to wait and wonder until the Day of Judgment. By your Baptism into Christ, by His mighty and reliable Word of forgiveness spoken over and into you, and by your connection with the body and blood of your crucified and risen Lord Jesus, you are being delivered from all evil, redeemed, restored, and forgiven for everlasting life in the kingdom of God already here and now.

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC & WELCOME

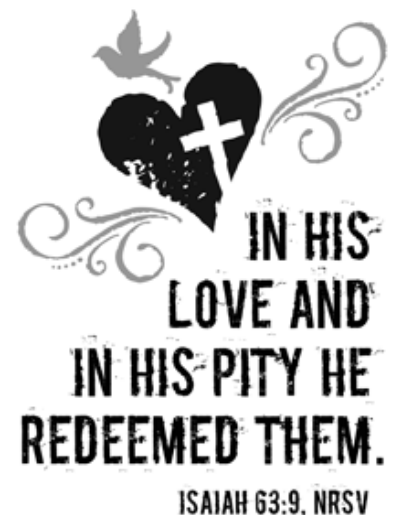
The TOLLING OF THE BELLS

(Please stand)

OPENING HYMN Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace

LSB 844 sts. 1–3

1. Lord of all nations, grant me grace
To love all people, ev'ry race;
And in each person may I see
My kindred, loved, redeemed by Thee.
2. Break down the wall that would divide
Thy children, Lord, on ev'ry side.
My neighbor's good let me pursue;
Let Christian love bind warm and true.
3. Forgive me, Lord, where I have erred
By loveless act and thoughtless word.
Make me to see the wrong I do
Will grieve my wounded Lord anew.



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THE INVOCATION

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

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. *LSB pg. 151*

C Amen. *Matthew 28:19b [18:20]*

✝ Confession and Absolution ✝

(Please be seated)

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.


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. *[John 20:19-23]*

C Amen.

✠ Service of the Word ✠

HYMN OF PRAISE This Is The Feast *Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9* *LSB 155*

Refrain

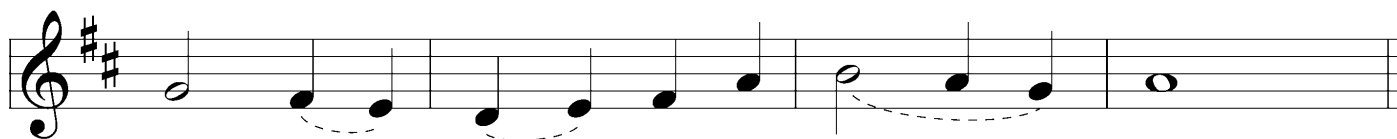


C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

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



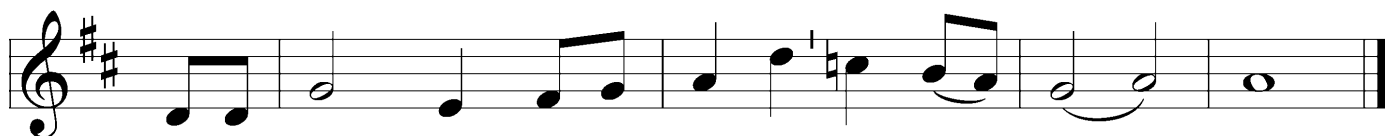
1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5 For the Lamb ——— who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
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.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. O Lord, keep Your Church in Your perpetual mercy; and because without You we cannot but fall, preserve us from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; 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

Amos 8:4–7

(Amos’s vision of the basket of summer fruit points to the Lord’s judgment, which will soon cut down the people of Israel for their idolatrous worship, their greed, and their callous mistreatment of their brethren. If we persist in doing evil and despising God’s graciousness, we will receive the same reward—punishment from God and eternal separation from His life-giving Word. Treasure the Word! Our God is gracious and continually stands ready to receive the repentant heart and lift it up with His Word of forgiveness and peace in Jesus.)

⁴Hear this, you who trample on the needy
and bring the poor of the land to an end,
⁵saying, “When will the new moon be over,
that we may sell grain?
And the Sabbath,
that we may offer wheat for sale,
that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great
and deal deceitfully with false balances,
⁶that we may buy the poor for silver
and the needy for a pair of sandals
and sell the chaff of the wheat?”

⁷The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
“Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.”



L This is the Word of the Lord.

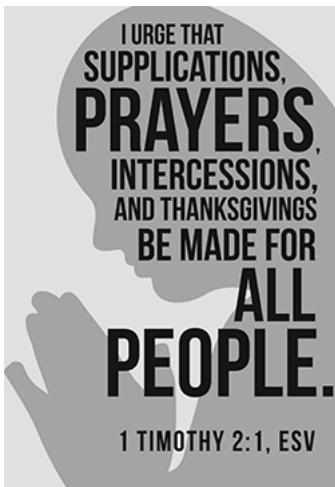
C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

1 Timothy 2:1–10

(Corporate prayer and worship were not only first among the practical issues raised by Paul in this Epistle, but they are also of first (primary) importance for fulfilling the charge to Timothy outlined in ch 1. supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings. Four synonyms for prayer, each with a different nuance. supplications. Offered for specific benefits or needs. prayers. A common NT term, denoting a wide array of petitions. intercessions. Appeals for others made to God with boldness and childlike trust. thanksgivings. Expressions of gratitude for mercies received. These are always appropriate, even when earthly circumstances are difficult, because we are never

separated from God's love and mercy in Christ. all people. Inclusive; even unbelievers and enemies of the Church are included in the Church's prayers.)



¹First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. ³This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. ⁷For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

⁸I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling; ⁹likewise also that women should adorn themselves in respectable apparel, with modesty and self-control, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly attire, ¹⁰but with what is proper for women who profess godliness—with good works.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

John 6:68

LSB 156

C 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.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹[Jesus] also said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. ²And he called him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.’ ³And the manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.’ ⁵So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶He said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ ⁷Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ ⁸The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.



¹⁰“One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful in that which is another’s, who will give you that which is your own? ¹³No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.”

¹⁴The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him. ¹⁵And he said to them, “You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



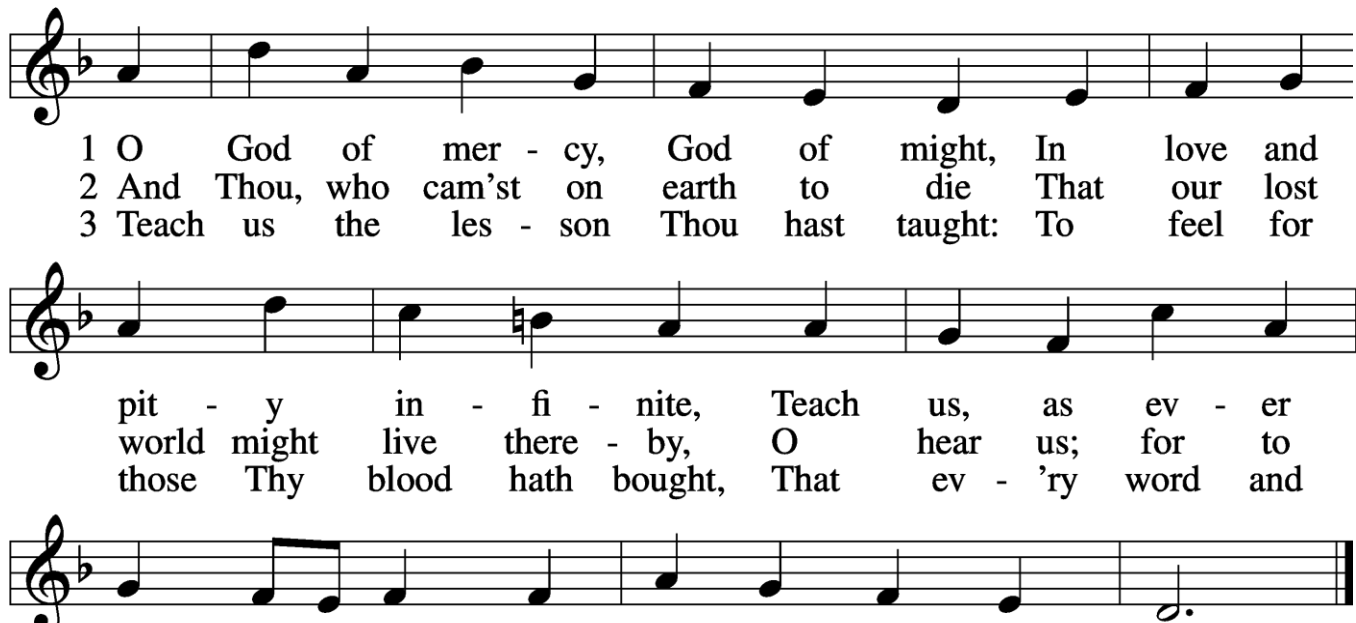
C Praise to You, O Christ.

(Be seated)

HYMN OF THE DAY

O God of Mercy, God of Might

LSB 852 sts. 1-3



1 O God of mer - cy, God of might, In love and
 2 And Thou, who cam'st on earth to die That our lost
 3 Teach us the les - son Thou hast taught: To feel for

pit - y in - fi - nite, Teach us, as ev - er
 world might live there - by, O hear us; for to
 those Thy blood hath bought, That ev - 'ry word and

in Thy sight, To live our lives in Thee.
 Thee we cry, In hope, O Lord, to Thee.
 deed and thought May work a work for Thee.

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SERMON

God, Money And Why We Don't Enjoy Them

Rev. David Barber

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Psalm 119:160

- P** Let us pray.
 Almighty and merciful God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, We pray You so to rule and guide Your whole church, blessing all pastors with the spirit of unity in faith and confession. Grant Your blessing also of all here present whose faith is known to You, accepting their prayers and praises as from thankful hearts. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.
- P** We pray for the health and good will of all who serve in the authority of government in our nation that they may serve according to Your will that we may live in quietness and peace. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.

P Comfort and attend to all who are in trouble; those suffering sickness, injury, or fear of death; and especially those who have requested our prayers. [especially...]

C Grant them patience and healing of both mind and body. Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.

P Remembering Your holy ones of old, the patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, as well as our loved ones of most recent memory, we ask You to include us in their company not on account of any merit on our part but solely because of Your great mercy. Grant all who have died in faith a place of peace and rest. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
C **Amen.**

OFFERING

For those worshipping online, please visit www.lccross.org to find links to our Give+ secured online giving portal and our online Pew Card which is called a Connect Card. Or to fill out the card directly go to <https://forms.gle/X46ym1HuZ9DCsq9s6>



For those worshipping in-person, please indicate your attendance and any requests on the Pew Card. They can be placed in the offering plate during the collection.

OFFERING HYMN

O God of Mercy, God of Might

LSB 852 sts. 4–6

4. All are redeemed, both far and wide,
Since Thou, O Lord, for all hast died.
Grant us the will and grace provide
To love them all in Thee!

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5. In sickness, sorrow, want, or care,
May we each other's burdens share;
May we, where help is needed, there
Give help as unto Thee!
6. And may Thy Holy Spirit move
All those who live to live in love
Till Thou shalt greet in heav'n above
All those who live in Thee.

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PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.



PROPER PREFACE

P 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, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS

LSB 161

C 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 -



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. Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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

(Only by the almighty creative Word of God are we able to believe that the blessed sacrament delivers what God promises, the forgiveness for our sins. Mt. 26:28)

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."

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 My ✠ blood in the new testament which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI

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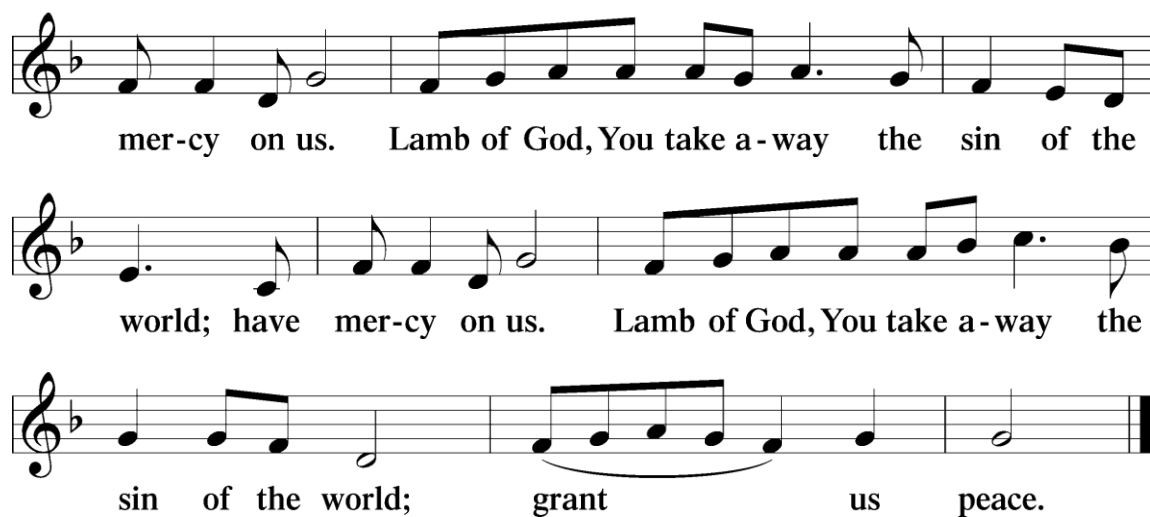
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



AGNUS DEI

LSB 163





DISTRIBUTION

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins. **Amen.**

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins. **Amen.**

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C **Amen.**

DISTRIBUTION HYMN Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us

LSB 851

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| <p>1. Lord of glory, You have bought us
With Your lifeblood as the price,
Never grudging for the lost ones
That tremendous sacrifice;
And with that have freely given
Blessings countless as the sand
To then unthankful and the evil
With Your own unsparing hand.</p> | <p>2. Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give
You
Gladly, freely of Your own.
With the sunshine of Your goodness
Melt our thankless hearts of stone
Till our cold and selfish natures,
Warmed by You, at length believe
That more happy and more blessed
'Tis to give than to receive.</p> |
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3. Wondrous honor You have given
To our humblest charity
In Your own mysterious sentence,
“You have done it all to Me.”
Can it be, O gracious Master,
That You deign for alms to sue,
Saying by Your poor and needy,
“Give as I have giv’n to you”?

4. Lord of glory, You have bought us
With Your lifeblood as the price,
Never grudging for the lost ones
That tremendous sacrifice.
Give us faith to trust You boldly,
Hope, to stay our souls on You;
But, oh, best of all Your graces,
With Your love our love renew.

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

LSB 563



1 Je - sus, Thy blood and righ - teous - ness My beau - ty
2 Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and re -
3 Lord, I be - lieve Thy pre - cious blood, Which at the
4 Lord, I be - lieve, were sin - ners more Than sands up -



are, my glo - rious dress; Midst flam - ing worlds, in
deemed, no debt to pay; Ful - ly ab - solved through
mer - cy seat of God Pleads for the cap - tives'
on the o - cean shore, Thou hast for all a



these ar - rayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.
these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
lib - er - ty, Was al - so shed in love for me.
ran - som paid, For all a full a - tone - ment made.

5. When from the dust of death I rise To claim my mansion in the skies,
This then shall be my only plea: Jesus hath lived and died for me.

6. Jesus, be endless praise to Thee, Whose boundless mercy hath for me,
For me, and all Thy hands have made, An everlasting ransom paid.

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Christ, Our Human Likeness Sharing

LSB 847

(Sung to Lord Dismiss Us with Your Blessing - LSB 924)

1. Christ, our human likeness sharing,
Heaven's love on earth portrayed;
Christ the Shepherd, tending, caring,
In His death our ransom paid:
Christ the Savior, Christ the Servant,
Be Your life in us displayed.
2. Hear the word that Christ has
spoken,
Help the weak, the hungry feed;
See the pow'rs of darkness broken,
Sinners pardoned, captives freed:
Christ the Savior, Christ the Servant,
Help us meet our neighbor's need.
3. Christ, in ev'ry congregation
Build Your temple, stone by stone,
With Your word as firm foundation
For a faith matured and grown:
Christ the Savior, Christ the Servant,
Make in us Your Gospel known.
4. Come, O living Christ, renew us,
As of old in wind and flame;
With the Spirit's pow'r endue us,
Servants of Your saving name:
Christ the Savior, Christ the Servant,
Christ whose kingdom we proclaim.

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Hymn License no. 110000907*(Please stand)***THANK THE LORD**

LSB 164

**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'-ry-one what He has done.

Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

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 ☩ give you peace.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Before You, Lord, We Bow

LSB 966 sts. 1, 4–5



1 Be - fore You, Lord, we bow, Our God who reigns a - bove
4 Earth, hear your Mak - er's voice; Your great Re - deem - er own;
5 And when in pow'r He comes, Oh, may our na - tive land



And rules the world be - low, Bound-less in pow'r and love. Our thanks
Be - lieve, o - bey, re - joice, And wor-ship Him a - lone. Cast down
From all its rend - ing tombs Send forth a glo-rious band, A count -



we bring In joy and praise, Our hearts we raise To You, our King!
your pride, Your sin de - plore, And bow be - fore The Cru - ci - fied.
less throng, With joy to sing To heav'n's high King Sal - va - tion's song!

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SILENT PRAYER & PARTING ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE



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Organist: Stephen Kopp III

Flute Soloist: Raymond Stolarczyk ~ Trumpet: Luke Stolarczyk

Handbell Co-Directors: Bill & Ronna Trueman ~ Vocal Choir Director: Arnie Piering

Clarinet: Bill Trueman ~ Drums: Chris Wrightsman

Saxophone: Cheryl Domingo ~ Trombone: Arnie Piering

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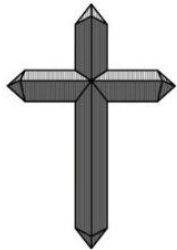
Welcoming all to walk together toward abundant life in Christ

The **ETERNAL LIGHT** this month is provided to the Glory of God by
Diane Barton in memory of her mother, Vivian Barton.

The **FLOWERS** on the altar this week are provided to the Glory of God by
Abby Duwe in memory of her father, Forrest Gorrow.

WORSHIP SERVANTS

Bell Tollers	Wayn Nelson, Bill Trueman
Elders on Duty	Mark Keck, Chris Trapp
Communion Assistants	Brian Daily, Jerry Kecken
Usher/Greeters	Dorothy Christman, Gary Fleming
Altar Servers	Cathy McCabe, Lori Nelson
Safety Team	David Aiken, Mark Keck
Streaming Team	Nat Fiordimondo, Wayn Nelson, Luke Stolarczyk



SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES:

7:30AM & 10:30AM

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**LCC ATTENDANCE REPORT &
WEEKLY INCOME AND EXPENSE REPORT 2025**

Week Of: 09/14/2025		
On-Site Attendance 40/76	Weekly Contributions	
	Income:	\$4,577
	Expense:	\$ 11,170

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR EXTENDED VACATION

Please be advised that Jennifer, our Parish Administrator, will be on a leave of absence for the entire month of September. During this time, she will not be available for work items via text, voicemail, or email.

You can always text her to just say hello!

If you have any urgent matters that need attention, please reach out Bill Heffernan 630-240-0075.

She will resume her office duties on Monday, October 6th.

Thank you for your understanding.



**Dear Brothers and Sisters in
Christ Jesus,**

We are seeking to fill the position of **District President's Executive Assistant** in the FLGA District Office. We ask for your assistance in finding an individual who has a heart for serving our Lord and a desire to further the mission and ministry of the Florida-Georgia District.

This is a full-time exempt position and includes medical/dental/vision and retirement/disability benefits. This position works partially remote (1-2 days/week and in the District Office in Orlando 3-4 days/week). The applicant must be able to work both in a team environment and independently. Desire is for the new employee to be available to begin late-October. If you know a person who might meet this need, please reach out to our district office.

<https://flgadistrict.org/district-job-opening-hiring-for-dpaa/>

IN OUR PRAYERS

Homebound Care:

Fran Boatwright, George & Dee Buono, Laura Cox, Millie Cox, Dave & Gayle DeBraccio, Marv & Lil Fitzwater, Aida Florit, Bruce & Connie Frilstad, Betty Golembieski, Hedi Heinrich, Janet Jackson, Cris & Linda Kelly, Val Korman, Millie Tyczka, Ken & Mary Werring

Strength, Healing, Guidance: *

Bob Bartelson	Recovery & healing
Bea Butler	Recovery & healing
Betty Lou Cordes	Recovery & healing
Dylan Clark	Strength & courage
Cheryl Domingo	Recovery & healing
Donna Gendreau	Sister Sue Heim; Recovery & healing
Sam Jackson	Healing & recovery
Linda Kelly	Healing & recovery
Chris Sabin	Continued recovery & healing
The family of Rueben Schmidt	Son of Rev. Toby Schmidt; peace & understanding
Dave Weaver	Strength & healing

**Prayers will run for four consecutive weeks unless otherwise notified.*

Battling Cancer:

Adriana	Family Noel & Linda Hyde; diagnosed lymphoma
April	Friend of LCC; battling cancer
Ivana	Friend of Augusto & Isabel Vazquez; battling cancer
Jeanette	Sister of Augusto Vazquez; battling cancer
Kevin	Friend of Rene & Sue Richard; cancer
Mike	Son of Phil Woodruff; battling cancer
Scott	Friend of Chuck Anderson & Barb Powell; cancer
Bill Docherty	Brother-in-law Joy Hougan; battling cancer, surgery
Matt Doctor	Brother-in-law of Diane Barton; strength & peace
Lisa Anne Denofrio	Daughter Tom & Krystyna Johnson; battling cancer
Rev. Ron & Carolyn Fletcher	Cousins of Mark Polzin; battling cancer
Randy Hornby	Friend of Dorothy Christman; battling cancer
John Kewn	Son-in-law Davis & Del Rozak; battling cancer
Emily Reidel	Friend of Dave & Gayle DeBraccio; battling cancer
Patricia Ruiz	Family of Fadely/Maestas family; battling cancer
Dennis Simplot	Brother in law Pam Specht; battling cancer
Tyra Strelesky	Neice of Bert & Marcia Strefling; battling cancer
Carmen Torres	Sister-in-law of Augusto & Isabel Vazquez; cancer
Lori Truelove	Niece Joyce Schankin; cancer battle; strength, peace
Arthy Turtotte	Friend of LCC; battling cancer

Jim & Ellen Vance
Connie Warner
Michael Woodruff

Cousins of Mark Polzin; battling cancer
Friend of Mary Woodruff; diagnosed lymphoma
Son of Phil & Mary Woodruff; battling cancer

Military:

US Army SFC Paul Behling
USAF TSGT David Cope Jr.
US Army CSM Matt Hopkins
USAF Sr. Airman

Shawn Golembieski

US Navy ENS Joe Golembieski
US Navy Seaman Nick Golembieski
USCG SCPO Robert Kecken
USAF SrA Riley Latarski
Marines Sgt. Jonathan Metz
US Army LT Anastasia Osborne-Black
Marines LCPL Kyle Spilker
USAF TSGT Kalin McDonnell
US Army PFC Parker Woodruff
Bragg

Son of Ron & Cohleen Nottingham; in MN
Son of David and Shelly Cope; in NM
Grandson of Dave & Gayle DeBraccio; in Kuwait
Grandson of Stan & Betty Golembieski; in FL

Grandson of Stan & Betty Golembieski; in VA
Grandson of Stan & Betty Golembieski; Seabound
Son Jerry & Meredith Kecken; in CA
Granddaughter Bill & Dorothy Christman in ND
Grandson of Jerry & Joyce Metz; in MD
Granddaughter Pat Gilreath; in HI
Grandson in law Chuck Anderson; in Japan
Granddaughter Bill & Dorothy Christman; in MA
Grandson of Larry & Delila Woodruff; in Fort

Family Prayer: We remember all our **families** during times of personal and family **trial and tribulation.**

If you know of someone needing church prayers, please contact the church office at 941-627-6060. Be sure to have the name, relationship to the church family and what is the need for the prayer.

SEPTEMBER WILL BE LCC PRAYER SHAWL MONTH!

Prayer shawls are symbolic of God's grace, peace, inclusive and unconditional love. Touching a prayer shawl gives comfort and the assurance that God is near. It is a reminder that we are NEVER alone. the Prayer Shawl Ministry will have a display in the church narthex all through the month of September. The small pocket/purse prayer shawls are also now available in both the church narthex and the FMC on the glass prayer shawl display case.

Prayer shawls are always available upon request by contacting Joyce Spier or the church office.



UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS:

Pastor Stolarczyk at Conference Sunday Sept. 21-Wed Sept. 24

Mon-Sept 22 Men's Bible Study @ 11:30am (FMC)

Tues-Sept 23 NO Confirmation class

Thurs-Sept 25 Bible Class: The Chosen Season 5 @ 10:00am (FMC)
Handbell Rehearsal @ 4:30pm (Sanctuary)