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RESPONSORY (*Congregation rising*)

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C before the gods I sing Your praise;

P I bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness;

C for You have exalted Your name and Your word above everything.

P The Lord will fulfill His purpose for me;

C Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

GOSPEL

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P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

AGPS Hymn 261

MEDITATION

Kevin Cook

THE APOSTLES' CREED (*Congregation rising*)

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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P We ask:

C Lord, receive our prayer.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING & HYMN CHOICE

OFFERING PRAYER (*Congregation rising*)

P Almighty God, You bless Your servants with various and unique gifts of the Holy Spirit.

C Use us, and the offerings we have gathered here, to fill the world with Your love, through the One who gave Himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

† HOLY COMMUNION †

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, 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. We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit into our hearts to establish in us a living faith and prepare us joyfully to receive our Redeemer who comes to us in His body and blood. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION and SIGN OF PEACE

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 the new covenant 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."

P Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

C Lord, have mercy upon us and grant us Your peace.

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

DISTRIBUTION & HYMN CHOICE

As you come forward, you will receive the bread in your hand; then take the wine in the individual cup from the tray. White grape juice is available in the center of the tray and gluten-free bread is available in separate packets. After drinking, place empty cups in the second tray.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P Gracious God, in this meal You have drawn us to Your heart, and nourished us at Your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Send us forth to be Your people in the world, and to proclaim Your truth this day and evermore; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

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

I Love You, Lord

AGPS **Hymn 129**

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace to serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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COMMUNION STATEMENT

Village Lutheran Church welcomes to Holy Communion those baptized Christians who: †Know Jesus Christ as their Savior (*John 20:31*); †Recognize that the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine (*1 Cor. 11:29*); †Are able to examine themselves and repent of their sins (*1 Cor. 11:28*); and †Look to God’s Holy Spirit for help in living the Christian life (*Col. 1:10*). Persons not receiving Communion may come forward to receive a blessing.

Service of Holy Communion 10:45 a.m.

PRELUDE

Intrada & Fugue on "Neander"

Jacob Weber

OPENING HYMN (*Congregation rising*)

LSB Hymn 901

Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

INVOCATION and CONFESSION

P 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.**

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 In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

(LSB Page 155)

Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. **Refrain**

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His. **Refrain**

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

Refrain

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia. **Refrain**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray:

C O God, Your ears are always open to the prayers of Your servants. Teach us by Your Word and Spirit to seek Your will in our lives and to bring our prayers to You in all circumstances; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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F. W. Zachau

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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 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:

♪SANCTUS

(LSB Page 161)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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AGNUS DEI

(LSB Page 163)

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

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BENEDICTION

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C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

LSB Hymn 649

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace to serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Sweet Hour of Prayer

Elizabeth Krouse

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Participants in the Service:

	9:00	10:45
Lector	Anton DeRosa	Kevin Cook
Communion Asst.	Anton DeRosa	Deacon Joan Condon
Altar Care	Morris Mayer Arnold Mayer	Deacon Joan Condon
Usher Team	Richard Graham	Ralph Schoene
Sexton	Audrey Heath, Layla Livingston	
Refreshments	Runge Family	

News and Notes:

HOLY BAPTISM – We rejoice with the newly baptized and welcome them into the family of faith. George Weston, son of Chandler and Meagan Weston, will be baptized at a special service on July 24, 2022.

Youth News: Voyagers (Grades 3-6) and **Lifers** (Grade 7-Going into 9th) meet on Thursday, July 28, at 6:00 p.m. **Donuts and Discussion** will meet on Sundays, July 24 and 31, after the 9:00 service.

Children’s bulletins are available each week. They include word games, pictures and activities related to the readings or liturgical theme of the week. Families can also take them home to review and explore after worship.

VBS 2022: Summer Vacation Bible School will be held on **August 1-5** from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. This year’s theme is “God’s Wonder Lab – Jesus Does the Impossible.” Registration is open now thru August 1.

❖ **CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS** - If you like serving snacks, making crafts, reading Bible stories, and sharing God’s love, then this is a week for you! Middle and High School students are welcome to help as well...this is a great way to get community service hours! Fill out this form to sign up: <https://forms.gle/8VUMYvZNwi9nSGQj8>.

For more information, contact Danielle DiCuio (DDiCuio@TheChapelSchool.org) or Kate Marino (KMarino@TheChapelSchool.org)

CAR SHOW: Run by Shiftmasters of Westchester in support of Community Service Associates (our Soup Kitchen partner), **Sunday, August 7**, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (rain date August 28) on Gramatan Avenue in Fleetwood. Car registration is \$20/car, \$10 motorcycle, payable in cash only at the entrance.

SOUP KITCHEN – Prepare food in aluminum trays (available at the Reception desk) and drop off in the parking lot from 12:00-1:00. Please go to our church web site in advance to sign up and indicate what food you will prepare. The next date is **Wednesday, August 17**. For more information, contact Katie Bukofzer at etakwhit@aol.com.

Summer Coffee Hour: Stop by the School Entrance after the 9:00 a.m. service for light refreshments. **We are in need of a host for Sunday, August 21.** Bring milk, juice and cookies, crackers, etc. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the MPR or speak to Warren Wong during coffee hour.

Blessing Basket/Food for ECAP: We continue to collect non-perishable food. As costs go up, it is even harder for families to keep food on the table. If you can pick up a few items to donate, please drop them off in the Friendship Room or at the Reception Desk. All contributions welcome!

2022 Stewardship Appeal – Thank you to all who have returned pledge cards in response to our 2022 Stewardship Appeal, “We are all in this together.”

As of Tuesday, July 19:

- ❖ 27 individuals or families have returned a pledge card
- ❖ \$147,005.00 pledged
- ❖ 8 individuals or families signed up for electronic giving

Prayer Line: We pray for the sick and those experiencing any kind of difficulty: John Accocella, Bernie Ansorge, Marge Baum, Arthur Bier, Jennifer Brown, Vincent Brown, Lorelei Burns, Flora Caivano, Rachel Campanielle, Walter Cerfontaine, Frank Clark, Agnes Coakley, Ron DeGeorge, Fran DeLillis, Rev. Rudy DeRosa, Linda Fader, Trish Hayde, Gloria Hazan, Billy Hildreth, Deacon Joe Lamoureux, Larson Family, Frank Lyman, Gabriel Mancuso, Isaiah Nieves, Laura Pencola, Gus Politis, Jason Psomas, Sylvia Puig, Hilda Qualetero, Willi Rosendahl, Chloe Runge, Dottie Rudolf, Ilene Tangredi, Ben Tashoff, Jack Walsh, Stephen Walsh, Alfred Woltersdorf, Edward Zlock

Bereavement Prayer Line: We pray for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

- † **Linda Jean (Nelson) Conkright**, mother of Jennifer Conkright Jerabek, who passed away on July 16, 2022

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