

*Say to those  
who have an  
anxious heart,*

**"BE STRONG; FEAR NOT!"**

*Isaiah 35:4, ESV*

*Our Savior Lutheran Church*

# *Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

*Order of Matins*

*In Nomine Jesu*



*Preservice Music*

*Ringinq of the Bells*

*Prelude*

Coronation

*Greetings & Announcements*

# Hymn of Invocation

## All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Text: Edward Perronet; Tune: Oliver Holden – "Coronation"; LSB #549 © 2006 CPH



1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros-trate fall;  
2 Crown Him, ye mar-tyrs of our God, Who from His al - tar call;  
3 Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, Ye ran - somed from the fall,  
4 Hail Him, ye heirs of Da - vid's line, Whom Da - vid Lord did call,  
5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get The worm-wood and the gall,



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And crown Him Lord of all.  
Ex - tol the stem of Jes - se's rod And crown Him Lord of all.  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.  
The God in - car - nate, man di - vine, And crown Him Lord of all.  
Go, spread your tro-phies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all.



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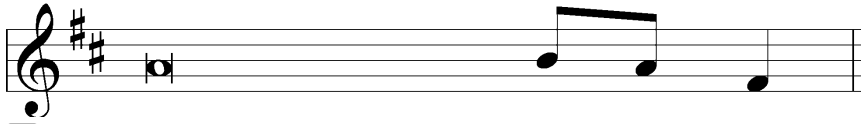
- 6 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,  
On this terrestrial ball  
To Him all majesty ascribe  
And crown Him Lord of all.  
To Him all majesty ascribe  
And crown Him Lord of all.
- 7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng  
We at His feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song  
And crown Him Lord of all.  
We'll join the everlasting song  
And crown Him Lord of all.

(Stand)

## Versicles

**P** O Lord, open thou my lips,

(Psalm 51:15)



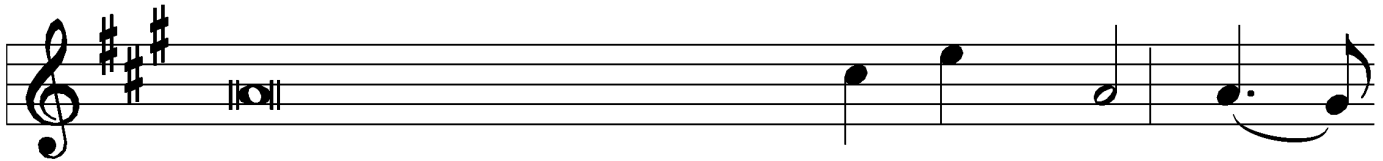
**C** And my mouth shall show forth thy praise.

**P** Make haste, O God, to deliver me;

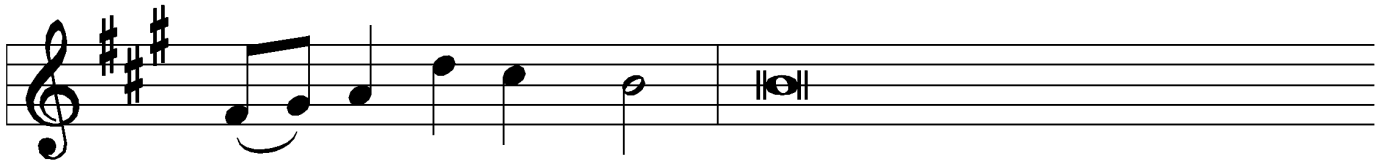
(Psalm 70:1)



**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.



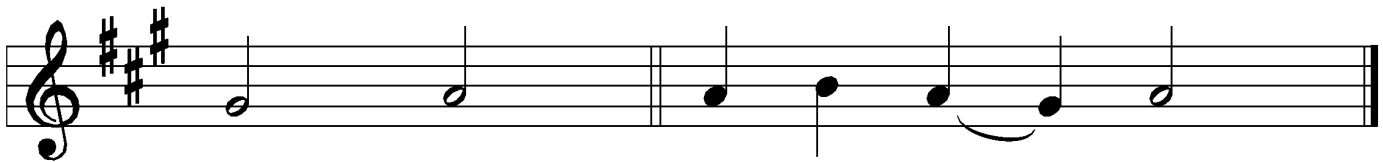
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and



to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is



now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end.



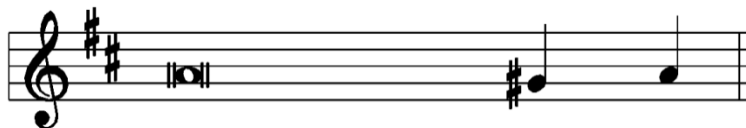
A - men.

Al - le - lu - ia!

## Invitatory

**P** Oh, come, let us worship the Lord:

(Psalm 95:6)



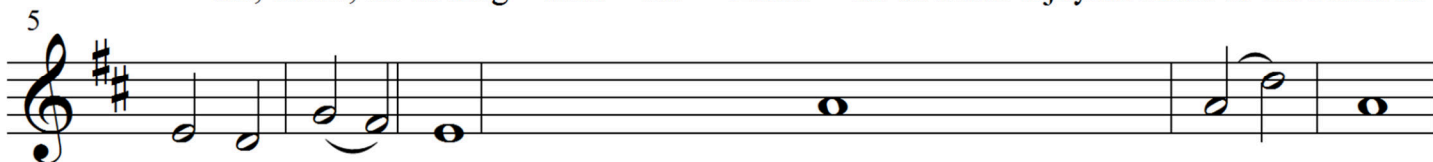
**C** For He is our Mak - er.

## Venite Exultemus Domino

(Psalm 95:1-7)



Oh, come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of



our sal - va - tion. Let us come before His presence with thanks - giv - ing:



and make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God:



and a great King a - bove all gods. In His hand are the deep places of the earth:



the strength of the hills is His al - so. The sea is His, and He made it:

32 and His hands formed the dry land. Oh, come, let us worship and bow down:

39 let us kneel before the Lord, our Mak - er. For He is our God:

46 and we are people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.

50 Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Ho - ly Ghost;

57 As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world with-out end. A - men.

## *Psalmody*

### “Dominus Fortitudo Plebis Suae”

(Psalm 28:1–2, 6–7; antiphon: Psalm 28:8)

- P** The LORD is the strength of his people; he is the saving refuge of his anointed.
- C** *To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me,*
- P** lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit.
- C** *Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to you for help,*
- P** when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.
- C** *Blessèd be the LORD!*
- P** For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.
- C** *The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;*
- P** my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.
- C** *Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.*
- P** The LORD is the strength of his people; he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

(Be Seated)

## Office Hymn

### Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us

Text: Eliza S. Alderson; Tune: Rowland H. Prichard – “Hyfrydol”; LSB #851 © 2006 CPH

1 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your  
2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Glad - ly,  
3 Won - drous hon - or You have giv - en To our  
4 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your

life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the  
free - ly of Your own. With the sun - shine of Your  
hum - blest char - i - ty In Your own mys - te - rious  
life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the

lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice;  
good - ness Melt our thank - less hearts of stone  
sen - tence, “You have done it all to Me.”  
lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice.

And with that have free - ly giv - en Bless - ings  
Till our cold and self - ish na - tures, Warmed by  
Can it be, O gra - cious Mas - ter, That You  
Give us faith to trust You bold - ly, Hope, to

count - less as the sand To the un - thank - ful  
You, at length be - lieve That more hap - py  
deign for alms to sue, Say - ing by Your  
stay our souls on You; But, oh, best of

and the e - vil With Your own un - spar - ing hand.  
and more bless - ed 'Tis to give than to re - ceive.  
poor and need - y, “Give as I have giv’n to you”?  
all Your grac - es, With Your love our love re - new.



# Old Testament Reading

## Isaiah 35:4–7a

[4] Say to those who have an anxious heart, “Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you.” [5] Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; [6] then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; [7] the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; in the haunt of jackals, where they lie down, the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

*Isaiah was sure that Israel’s God would not be silent and let his people suffer forever. In sharing this vision, the prophet brought light and hope not only to his contemporaries but also to our generation which also has its share of blind, deaf, lame, speechless, and desert places that long for the water of life – who have tasted the goodness of the Lord and now await the full consummation.*

**P** But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.



**C** Thanks be to Thee, O Lord.





## Epistle Reading

James 2:1–10, 14–18

[1] My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. [2] For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, [3] and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, “You sit here in a good place,” while you say to the poor man, “You stand over there,” or, “Sit down at my feet,” [4] have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? [5] Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? [6] But you have dishonored the poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? [7] Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called? [8] If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing well. [9] But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. [10] For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it...

*It was a temptation for James' contemporaries (as it is for us) to be overly impressed with status, wealth and power, and to be disdainful of poverty. James reminds Christians that God chose the poor to be the backbone of the Christian movement. They were among the first to listen and to follow, the first to see who Jesus was and what he really means. They are our teachers, not the powerful.*

[14] What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? [15] If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, [16] and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, be warmed and filled,” without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? [17] So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. [18] But someone will say, “You have faith and I have works.” Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

**P** But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.



**C** Thanks be to Thee, O Lord.

(Stand)

## *Gospel Reading*

### St. Mark 7:24–37

[24] From there [Jesus] arose and went away to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And he entered a house and did not want anyone to know, yet he could not be hidden. [25] But immediately a woman whose little daughter was possessed by an unclean spirit heard of him and came and fell down at his feet. [26] Now the woman was a Gentile, a Syrophenician by birth. And she begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. [27] And he said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not right to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs.” [28] But she answered him, “Yes, Lord; yet even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” [29] And he said to her, “For this statement you may go your way; the demon has left your daughter.” [30] And she went home and

*Jesus makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak. Not only did the word go out to all the Galilean countryside, but more importantly Jesus has opened the ears of millions to the voice of God as he confesses his love for the world. Christ has opened our ears to the voice of the Father. He releases our tongue to praise him. Truly he has done all things well, and we do well “the more zealously” to proclaim it.*

found the child lying in bed and the demon gone. [31] Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. [32] And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. [33] And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. [34] And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” [35] And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. [36] And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. [37] And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, “He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.”

**P** But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.



**C** Thanks be to Thee, O Lord.

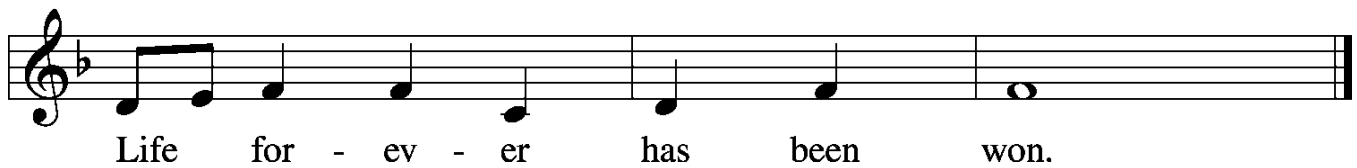
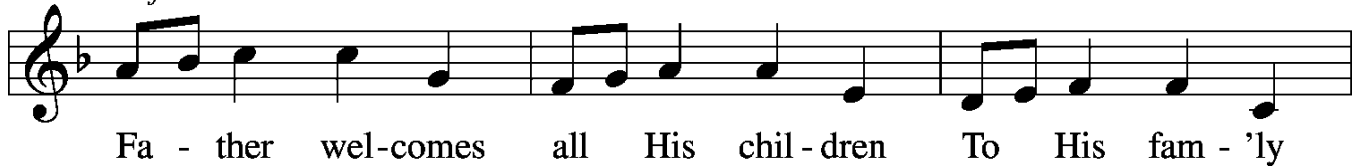
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# Baptism Hymn

## Father Welcomes

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*Refrain*



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## Sacrament of Holy Baptism for

Ryder Lenea Musgrove



# *Sermon Hymn*

## How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

Text: John Newton; Tune: Alexander R. Reinagle – “St. Peter”; LSB #524 © 2006 CPH



1 How sweet the name of Je - sus sounds In  
2 It makes the wound - ed spir - it whole And  
3 Dear name! The rock on which I build, My  
4 O Je - sus, shep - herd, guard - ian, friend, My



a be - liev - er's ear! It soothes our sor - rows,  
calms the heart's un - rest; 'Tis man - na to the  
shield and hid - ing place; My nev - er - fail - ing  
Proph - et, Priest, and King, My Lord, my life, my



heals our wounds, And drives a - way our fear.  
hun - gry soul And to the wea - ry, rest.  
trea - sury filled With bound - less stores of grace.  
way, my end, Ac - cept the praise I bring.

5 How weak the effort of my heart, How cold my warmest thought!  
But when I see Thee as Thou art, I'll praise Thee as I ought.

6 Till then I would Thy love proclaim With ev'ry fleeting breath;  
And may the music of Thy name Refresh my soul in death!

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*(Stand for Text)*

## *Sermon*

Text: St. Mark 7:14-23

“Inside Out”

*(Stand)*

## *Votum*

## Offertory

(Psalm 51:10-12)



**C** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

## Offering Prayer

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## Offering

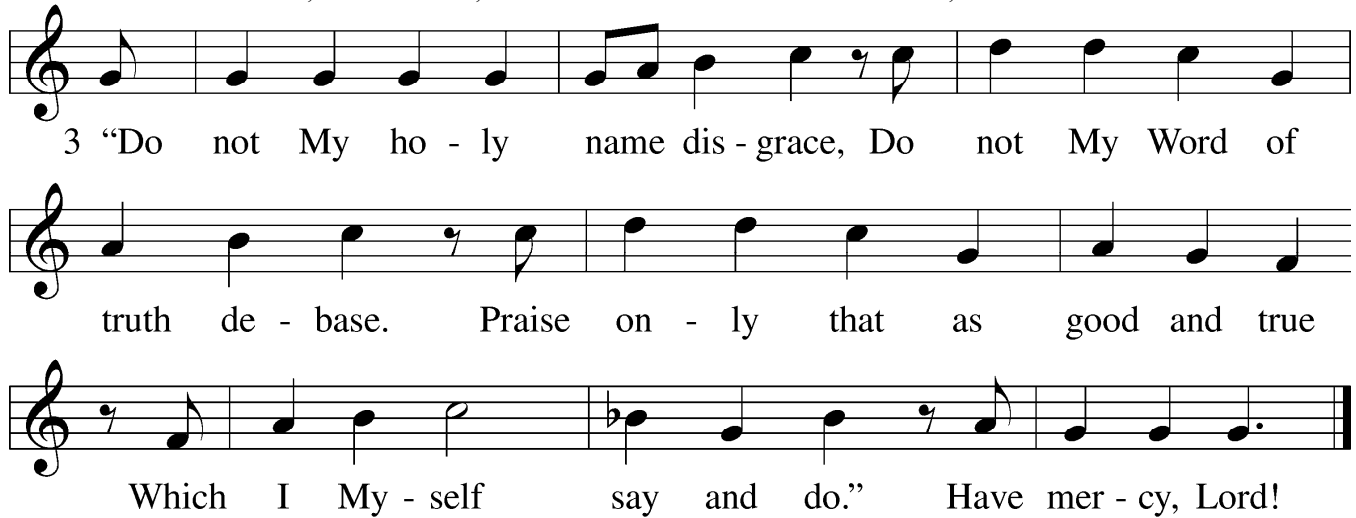
## Voluntary

St. Peter

## Catechism Hymn

### These Are the Holy Ten Commands

Text: Martin Luther; Tune: German, 13<sup>th</sup> cent. – “In Gottes Namen Fahren Wir”; LSB #581 st. 3 © 2006 CPH



3 “Do not My ho - ly name dis - grace, Do not My Word of  
truth de - base. Praise on - ly that as good and true  
Which I My - self say and do.” Have mer - cy, Lord!

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*The weekly recitation of the scripture and catechism lessons in the Divine Service helps to link us together with the children of our congregation and school who work weekly on the memorization of these texts. In the Divine Service we gather and recall the words of our youth, the words of our confirmation, the words of eternal life. The Catechism is more than a text book. The Catechism is a prayer book which is used throughout our life. The Catechism as a prayer book speaks to all our needs, giving us God's promises so that we might learn to “ask Him as dear children ask their dear Father.” The Catechism even gives us the very words with which to pray.*

## Catechism Lesson

- P** A lesson from St. John 14:23a –  
**C** *Jesus answered him, “If anyone loves me, he will keep my word...”*
- P** What is the Second Commandment?  
**C** *You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.*
- P** What does this mean?  
**C** *We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.*



(Stand)

## Canticle

### All Glory Be to God on High

Text & Tune: Nicolaus Decius – “Allein Gott in Der Höh”; LSB #947 © 2006 CPH



1 All glo - ry be to God on high And thanks for all His  
2 We praise and laud and wor - ship You; We give You thanks for -  
3 O Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son Be - got - ten of the  
4 O Ho - ly Spir - it, our de - light And source of con - so -



fa - vor; No harm can touch or ter - ri - fy A  
ev - er, O Fa - ther, for Your rule is true And  
Fa - ther, Your sav - ing death has made us one With  
la - tion, Pro - tect us from the dev - il's might Through



child of God for - ev - er. God shows His good and  
just and chang - es nev - er. With bound - less pow'r, Your  
God and with each oth - er. O Lamb of God, to  
Je - sus, our sal - va - tion, Who by His death up -



gra - cious will And grants His peace, the world to fill—  
might - y reign Ful - fills what - ev - er You or - dain.  
You on high In our dis - tress we sin - ners cry,  
on a tree Has res - cued us from mis - er - y:



All strife at last has end - ed.  
Lord, grant us ev - 'ry bless - ing!  
Have mer - cy on us, a - men!  
To this we hold for - ev - er.

## Kyrie

(Mark 10:47)



**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer cy up-on



us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on 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*

## Salutation

(2 Timothy 4:22)

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

## Intercessory Prayer

**P** Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** *hear our prayer.*

## Benedicamus

(Psalm 103:1)

**P** Let us bless the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

(2 Corinthians 13:14)

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

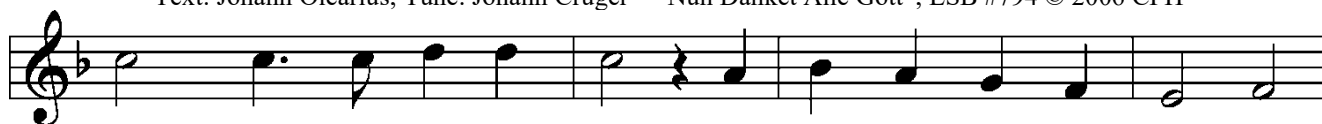


**C** A - men.

## Closing Hymn

### The Lord, My God, Be Praised

Text: Johann Olearius; Tune: Johann Crüger – “Nun Danket Alle Gott”; LSB #794 © 2006 CPH



1 The Lord, my God, be praised, My light, my life from heav - en;  
2 The Lord, my God, be praised, My trust, my life from heav - en,  
3 The Lord, my God, be praised, My hope, my life from heav - en,  
4 The Lord, my God, be praised, My God, the ev - er - liv - ing,



My mak - er, who to me Has soul and bod - y giv - en;  
The Fa - ther's own dear Son, Whose life for me was giv - en,  
The Spir - it, whom the Son In love to me has giv - en.  
To whom the heav'n - ly host Their laud and praise are giv - ing.



My Fa - ther, who will shield And keep me day by day  
Who for my sin a - toned With His most pre - cious blood  
His grace re - vives my heart And gives my spir - it pow'r,  
The Lord, my God, be praised, In whose great name I boast,



And make each mo - ment yield New bless - ings on my way.  
And gives to me by faith The high - est heav'n - ly good.  
Help, com - fort, and sup - port In sor - row's gloom - y hour.  
God Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the Ho - ly Ghost.

## Postlude - Nun Danket Alle Gott

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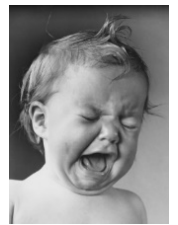
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*Enter reverently, meditate quietly, worship sincerely, serve Christ faithfully.*

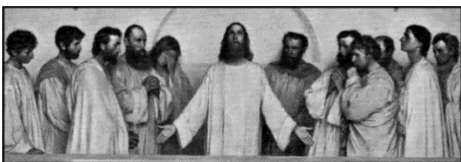
It is our heartfelt prayer that all who worships here this day may encounter the love of our Savior. According to His promise, He is here today reaching out to us in love through Word and Sacrament. If you are seeking a church home, we hope that you have found it here so that we may rejoice in serving the Lord together. If we can be of service to you or your family in any way please do not hesitate to ask.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY:** God of steadfast love, you have written your testimonies upon the hearts of your people; your commandments have guided them throughout the ages. We praise you for Jesus, who makes your will known to us. We sense your Spirit at work in our lives. Throughout all creation, you maintain your presence and give us cause for rejoicing. We acknowledge your marvelous deeds and adore you. Amen.

**ATTENDANCE CARDS – MEMBERS (yellow) & VISITORS (blue),** remember to fill out an attendance card listing all in attendance for your family. Please note any changes, otherwise you do not have to fill in the address information each week. It is appreciated if first-time visitors would include their address and phone number. Email and work numbers are helpful for inner-office needs. By filling out a card, your attendance and communing is recorded, and your comments are addressed. It is not necessary to indicate common or individual cup. Place cards in the offering plate or give to an usher on your way out. Thanks!



- *The Cry-Room and the four row spans directly in front of it are reserved for parents with small children. Thank you.*
- *Hearing devices are available from the ushers if you need this assistance.*



**HOLY COMMUNION** will be celebrated next on Sunday, September 12, at 9:30 AM. “Let a man examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup.” *1 Corinthians 11:28*

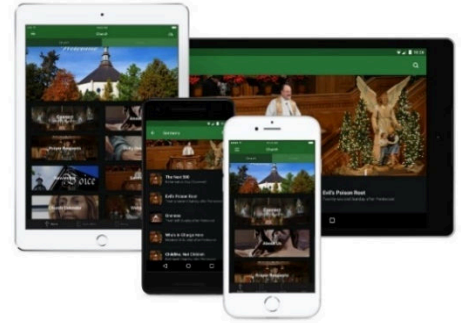
The Word of God teaches that the bread and wine of the Sacrament are the true Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. This precious gift of God’s grace is to be received in a sense of reverent awe after careful self-examination. The Bible defines that self-examination as a personal recognition of the real presence of Christ’s Body and Blood in the Sacrament, and a repentant acknowledgment of my own sinfulness recognizing my absolute dependence upon Christ as the only source of forgiveness for my sin. Scripture further instructs that our participation in Christ’s Body and Blood together is the most profound and powerful way for Christians to acknowledge their unity in the faith. That is to say, when we share in the Body and Blood of Jesus at this altar, we are thereby indicating our common commitment to all of the doctrines of God’s Word as they are taught in this congregation. Because of these Biblical convictions, we respectfully request that visitors, who wish to join us in receiving the Body and Blood of Christ and thereby identify with our confession of Bible truth, speak with one of our pastors before attending the Lord’s Supper.

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## ***Adult Bible Classes & Sunday School Options for All:***

### **8:15 AM**

**Genesis: The Beginning of All Things** – A study of Creation in Scripture, chapters 1-11 (Pastor White - Bible Class Room)

### **10:45 AM**

**Thru the Bible in One Year – A Personal Commitment to the Faithful Study of the Word of God:** We will continue our study on the Scripture readings the congregation is working on together this year. (Pastor White - Bible Class Room)

**Lutheran Confessions:** Our Lutheran Confessions were developed out of a genuine concern with false teachings obscuring the glory and merit of our Savior. These unconditional affirmations are as understandable and poignant today as when they were written. Learn their history and development, as well as their relevance in the daily life of a Christian. Through discussion, you will see how others are asking the same questions and how Scripture offers solid, reliable answers. (James Kriegel, C101)

**Bethel Bible Series: "Proverbs"** – The Bethel Class has now begun the study of the Book of Proverbs. Proverbs is a much-loved book of wisdom whose guidance has practical application to lives in every age. In our study of Proverbs, we will direct our attention to prerequisites to happiness. Good human relationships are indispensable to a happy life! What must we do then to be on amiable terms with those who live about us? It is to that question to which our study shall be addressed. (Herb Peterson, C102)

**Women's Bible Study:** We are diving into the first half of Nehemiah, using Donna Pyle's study *Perseverance* from CPH; we will be looking at the words of Scripture that guide us to persevere in the face of life's challenges. (Family Room, Church)

**Applying Scripture to Current Events:** This class for young adults will focus on today's headlines and current events and discuss these topics in light of scripture and how the verses covered each week apply to everyday life. (Adam White, C106)

**The Early Church:** The history of the first four centuries of the early Church, exploring how God guided and sustained the first Christians, and what it means for us today. (Karl Baughman, Cafeteria)

## **YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETS AS LISTED –**

High School - Youth Room

8th Grade Confirmation – C105

6th - 7th Grade – C103

4th - 5th Grade – C113

3rd Grade – C116

1st - 2nd Grade – C115

Kindergarten – B107

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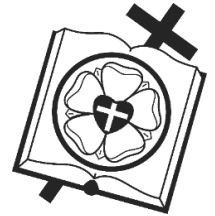


The flowers are given to the glory of God by the Mushinski Family in honor of Ray Hobratch's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday 9/3 and Taylor's birthday on 9/5; and by the Armstrong Family in celebration of Tyler's birthday 9/11.

**The FLOWER CHART is available to sponsor the church flowers for your special occasions!** Each flower arrangement is \$45. You will find the flower clipboard on the hutch in the narthex. Remember to write a "W" if you want the flowers, or "S" to send them to the sick. Thank you!

**UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION:** Remember to log in to your Breeze account, and make sure all your contact information is correct – phone numbers, address, email accounts, etc. You can even **add your own PHOTO**. Call the church office if you need help: 713-290-9087.

**Monday Evening Adult Information Class – BACK TO THE BASICS!** A new Adult Information Class will begin on **Monday, September 13 @ 7:00 PM**. The class will cover the most important teachings of the Bible as they are believed, taught and confessed in this Lutheran Congregation. The class is designed for anyone considering membership in Our Savior Lutheran Church and for members of the congregation who would like a great review of basic Bible doctrine. It should be particularly interesting for both member and non-member school parents to familiarize yourself with what your kids are learning in class every day. The class meets from 7:00 - 8:30 PM, on Monday evenings, and continues for twelve weeks. Babysitting and refreshments are provided. Join us on Mondays to go "BACK TO THE BASICS."



**WEEKLY MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** – We are studying the book of Acts. All men are invited on Wednesday mornings in the Bible Class Room, at 6:30-7:30 a.m. Contact Channing Wood at [channing@toddyblends.com](mailto:channing@toddyblends.com).

**PASTOR WHITE's WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS** is from 10:00-12:00, and we are studying *Romans, Chief Part of the New Testament and the Very Purest Gospel*. Make Bible study a regular part of your schedule every week. Food and fellowship provided of course!



**Our Savior Lutheran School Is Looking for a Backup BUS DRIVER** for our morning/afternoon bus service from Immanuel in the Heights and occasional field trips. You must have a current CDL license with air brake component. Interested applicants, contact Lynette Cherington at 713-290-8277 or email [lcherington@oslschool.org](mailto:lcherington@oslschool.org)

**ANY JOB OPENINGS?** John Thoeke (Principal Thoeke's husband) is on a job search in Houston. John is currently a Finance Director with extensive non-profit and government accounting experience for St. Charles County, Missouri. For the last 21 years he has overseen funding and grants to agencies that support individuals with developmental disabilities. If you know of any local leads regarding John's search and resume, please contact **Norman Adams**: [nadams@adamsins.com](mailto:nadams@adamsins.com), (713) 826-1289, or **Ryan Petree**: [rnpetree@gmail.com](mailto:rnpetree@gmail.com), (713) 202-2663, for more information. We pray someone in the OSL community has the right connection to open a door for John. Thank you!

**JOB OPPORTUNITIES** – Toddy, Inc. Winery, Distillery, Brewery and Event Venue is currently hiring for the following positions: Daiquiri Store Attendants, Bartenders, Bar-Backs, Servers, Drivers, Salesmen and Cooks. Send resume to [recruiter@toddyoaks.com](mailto:recruiter@toddyoaks.com), located at 20120 Franz Rd, Katy, TX 77449.







**THE BIG BLUE BABY BUS is NOW taking donations to keep saving lives on the street.** Your donations are really needed this year because so many people are not able to attend worship services and give us their check. **To contribute to OSL's sponsorship of the BLUE BUS, go online at <http://houstoncoalition.org> and click on the Run/Walk 2021 link, hit the GIVE button, and find the name of Our Savior Lutheran.**

You can also call **Ethelene Marshall (713) 849-9266**. Give her your information and request "bill me." Houston Coalition for Life will send you an envelope for your contribution when you are able to give. This is a donation from your heart – over your tithe to OSL. *These saved babies thank you for their lives!*

**GREETERS NEEDED to serve the Lord with gladness!** Get to know your fellow church family. Call Terry Tomchesson for information: 281-777-4879. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for audio-visual ministries:** If you would like to learn from a "hands on" perspective, call 713-290-9087, leave your name, number, and we will contact you. No experience needed.

**Texas Confessional Lutherans annaul FREE CONFERENCE:** Join us on Friday, September 10th and Saturday, September 11th at Grace Lutheran Church, located at 1212 Jefferson Street in Brenham, Texas. Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller of St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Austin, Texas will be the speaker. He will speak on the theme "Has American Christianity Failed?" A catered barbeque meal will be available at noon on Saturday for \$10 per plate. Please make a meal ticket reservation by September 3rd. To reserve a meal ticket or for more information, call or text 979-421-3740 or email [robertlangeinc@msn.com](mailto:robertlangeinc@msn.com).

**Name Tags upon request.** Simply express the way you want to have your name appear and give your place of birth to Debbie in the church office, 713-290-9087 ext. 202, or [dlazarine@osl.cc](mailto:dlazarine@osl.cc).

**STAMPS** – Cheerful Helpers are collecting stamps trimmed to ¼". Please put them in the mailbox in Pastor White's Bible Class Room. – Sandi Hall, Human Care Chairman.

**RECYCLE** Cans & Paper in east bins.

**BOX TOPS for Education** – Please place the trimmed box tops in an envelope marked for the school on the narthex table.

**Greeting Cards are available in the Bible Class Room.** Each box is \$6 or \$7. Make checks payable to Circle of Grace.

**AMAZON SMILE & OSL** – Now enjoy everything Amazon offers while supporting OSL School. Amazon will donate .5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to Our Savior Lutheran School. How? Visit [Smile.Amazon.com](https://Smile.amazon.com), search "Our Savior Lutheran Church and School, Houston" and select us as your preferred charity. Who knew supporting your school could be so easy?

**KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM** — Please make sure your account has our new NPO account number, **XB926**. Log in to your account at [Kroger.com](https://Kroger.com), place the cursor on the Savings & Rewards link at the top left-hand side, and click on Kroger Community Rewards. Choose the "View Details" button under "I'm a Customer". Verify that the Organization Number is **XB926**. You should also see "You are contributing to Our Savior Lutheran School" at the bottom of your grocery receipt. We thank everyone for their continued support.

***Don't forget to tithe!***

***Use Subsplash! It is free in the App Store. No monthly fee -No set up fee -No hidden fees***

***– Lowest processing rates that continue to drop as your giving increases.***

***All credit and debit cards (including AMEX) are processed at 2.3% + .30 cents per transaction.***

***All ACH donations are 1% with no cents. There is also a "GIVE" link at the top of our website: [www.OSL.cc](http://www.OSL.cc)***



**MEASURE OF DEVOTION:** Last Sunday, we had 310 people in attendance (last year 268), 1200 viewed our service online.

### Our Ministry Challenge

Tithes & Offerings for last week .....	\$ 33,415.27
Tithes & Offerings to date – week 35.....	\$ 1,116,467.56
Tithes & Offerings needed each week .....	\$ 35,365.00
Tithes & Offerings needed to date – week 35 .....	\$ 1,237,775.00
General Fund Income to date .....	\$ 2,383,644.58
Special Contributions to date .....	\$ 149,640.58

*“Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.” Malachi 3:10*

*Please use your assigned envelopes which are mailed to you, and have your number on them. That way we can be sure you are properly credited for ALL your contributions. Thank You!*

### Those To Serve:

	Today, Sunday, September 5, at 9:30 AM	Next Sunday, September 12, at 9:30 AM
<b>ELDERS:</b>	Alan Fritsche / Brian Nitsch / Mel Derong / Channing Wood	
<b>USHERS:</b>	Downie Team	Gobrogge Team
<b>SOUND:</b>	Blake	T. Wilbanks
<b>CARTS:</b>	Pampell Team	Kriegel Team
<b>ACOLYTES:</b>	Toni Willis / Mary Johnson	Nathan Russ / Greyson Williams
<b>ALTAR GLD:</b>	—	Pat Smithson Team
<b>COMM.ASST:</b>	—	Alan Fritsche / Mel Derong / James Kriegel / Brian Nitsch / Channing Wood
<b>EVANGELISM:</b>	Team 5 Al	Team 1 Lee
<b>GREETERS:</b>	Terry Tomchesson / Sharon Edwards	Garry & Evey Stuhr
<b>VIDEO:</b>	Amélie Boerger / Chad Greenwood / Mitchell Stephens / Aiden Sullivan / Adam White	

## NEW! JUNIOR ALTAR GUILD

*Have you ever wondered how the altar is maintained?*

*Would you like to see what goes on behind the scenes?*

**If you are a girl in middle school or high school, you are invited to take a tour of the sacristy to see where it all takes place!**

It is the pleasure of the Ladies Altar Guild to welcome every girl at OSL to the high calling of serving God in caring for the altar vessels and linen. It takes a kaleidoscope of talent to assist the pastors in services. Not every girl will be in Altar Guild when an adult woman. It's not everyone's calling. If you have never been involved, you will never know if it's where you belong.

Join us during the **Sunday school hour on Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>** to see what Altar Guild is all about!

*And if you're an adult who's interested in joining or if you're a current Altar Guild member and just want a refresher, we'd love to see you there!*



# OSJ at a Glance

## Sunday, September 5, 2021

<i>Event</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>
Bible Class	8:15 AM	Bible Class Room
<b>Matins-Baptism</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Church &amp; online</b>
Sunday School	10:45 AM	
Cantate	12:00 PM	
High School Youth Meeting	4:30 PM	Youth Room

## Monday, September 6, 2021

Labor Day - campus closed

## Tuesday, September 7, 2021

Circle of Grace-FR	10:00 AM	Family Room
Church Council-BC	7:00 PM	Bible Class Room

## Wednesday, September 8, 2021

Men's Bible Study-BC	6:30 AM	Bible Class Room
School Chapel	9:45 AM	Sanctuary
Bible Class-BC	10:00 AM	Bible Class Room
Bulletin Deadline	12:00 PM	Church Office
F A S T	5:45 PM	Cafeteria

## Thursday, September 9, 2021

Prayer Request printing deadline	3:00 PM	Church Office
Carillon Ringers	6:15 PM	Choir Loft
Jubilate Choir	7:00 PM	Choir Loft

## Friday, September 10, 2021

Joseph's Guild of Colors-LWML	9:00 AM	LWML
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## Saturday, September 11, 2021

Nativity Meeting-BC	10:00 AM	Bible Class Room
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## Sunday, September 12, 2021

Bible Class	8:15 AM	Bible Class Room
<b>Communion</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Church &amp; online</b>
Sunday School	10:45 AM	
Jr. Altar Guild	12:00 PM	Church
Laudate	12:00 PM	School Music Room
Middle School Youth Meeting	4:30 PM	Youth Room



**ATTENTION, HIGH SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** for childcare services, September 21 (Tuesday) 6:30-7:30pm, for the all-school PTL board meeting. If you are available and could use volunteer hours, please contact Monica Watkin at 713-858-4070.

# Fellowship And Study Together

## F.A.S.T.



## This Week!

# Wednesdays: Sep 8 – Oct 13

Supper in the cafeteria: 5:45 pm

Classes: 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Evening Prayer in the cafeteria: 7:35 - 8:00 pm

*Here's a preview of the classes being offered this season:*

**WITNESSING... WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?** Do you feel like you want to share Christ with others but don't know how? Then join Pastor Krieg as he guides you through the *Every One His Witness* Lutheran evangelism program. This program puts sound doctrine into practical action for sharing the faith with people in our everyday lives. You will learn: What is witnessing? Why do we witness? And the "how-to" of witnessing using the LASSIE approach — Listen-Ask-Seek-Share-Invite-Encourage. Taking this class does not obligate you to be on the Evangelism committee, it simply helps equip you to share the love of Christ with all those He places in your life. There is no door-to-door or cold-calling people, this is a different approach, yet still intentional. Bring a friend or family member and learn together. (Led by Pastor Krieg)

**COMMUNITY – WE ARE NOT ALONE (Concordia Publishing House)** – This is an easy and inspiring class for women that requires no weekly reading and no homework. Just show up and join us as we discuss Lutheran spirituality. *"Today, many people feel that no organized religion empowers them to be healthy, renewed, or growing human beings - or even Christians! To them, rituals and organizations found in churches are mere empty shells. This [series] will expound a Lutheran conviction that we do have abundant life given in the Church."* Jesus says: "I came that they may have life and have it abundantly." (John 10:10) Have you ever heard someone say, "I'm a spiritual person, but I'm not religious"? Using the Bible, Luther's Catechism, and the Lutheran hymnal, Pastor Masaki shows us that joy "is found in the Lord's Church alone and the life that is lived there together as Christians in community." (Led by Amanda Crabtree)

**GOD'S MISSION Through You, Me (Us) and All Christians** – Learn about Our Story/Your Story through: Family and congregations in Missions (1935-1966), God's Mission in India (1966-1972), God's Mission in Brazil and World supporting Bible Translation (1972-1991), God's Mission in Sri Lanka (1991-1993), God's Mission in Ghana, West Africa (1994-2001), God's Mission in the USA and beyond (2001- ?). End goal: That each of us would be in His mission and "To God Alone Be the Glory." (Led by Dalton Noack)

**FINANCE 101** – In this course we will look at budgets, investments, financial strategies, buying a home, retirement, insurance, and estate planning. This course is for people who have put off looking at their finances and need to get started, or those who want advice on how they are doing. (Led by Detlef Kemnitz)

**WHO'S RIGHT? Alternative Religions** (Led by Jeff Armstrong)

Contact Pastor Krieg for more information: 713-290-9087 ext. 209, or [kkrieg@osl.cc](mailto:kkrieg@osl.cc)