

***No one who puts his hand  
to the plow and looks back  
is fit for the Kingdom of God.***



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**PILGRIM LUTHERAN CHURCH WELCOMES YOU HERE!** We are pleased that you have come to receive God's gift of forgiveness. Pentecost and the Sundays after Pentecost emphasize the work of the Holy Spirit through God's Word and Sacraments in growing the Church, so we especially invite you to join us in our Bible Classes, as well as in all of our other activities. If you have no church home, you are cordially invited to consider making Pilgrim Lutheran Church your church home!

**AS YOU ARRIVE**, please move down the pew towards the wall, in order to leave room for others. If you arrive late, please wait for an appropriate time to enter the sanctuary, such as during a hymn. Please also remember to turn off your cell phones and/or any other electronic devices. Thank you!

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** To your right you will find today's order of service. The right side of that outline indicates from where the item listed comes: either in this bulletin or the hymnal, *Lutheran Service Book*, with the Psalms towards the front, its liturgical pages towards the middle, and its hymns towards the back. The  $\Delta$  symbol before a hymn stanza indicates that it especially gives glory to the Triune God; we stand before singing the stanza and, in most cases, conclude the stanza by singing "Amen.", if an "Amen" is not already included.

**HOLY COMMUNION:** At Pilgrim we value your presence among us and love and care about our guests and visitors! However, due to the sad divisions that exist in the world and even in Christianity, we cannot commune everyone at the Lord's Table here. We respectfully ask that guests and visitors who desire to commune first speak with the pastor well before the service. All those present but not communing still may approach the rail for a blessing: come forward and kneel with those who are communing, but fold your arms over your heart and place your hands on the opposite shoulders. For more information about the ancient practice of Closed Communion, see <http://www.pilgrimlc.org/closed-communion>.

**INDIVIDUAL CUPS:** The top of the tray contains several individual cups of highly-diluted wine. If you receive the blood of Christ in an individual cup, please be sure to wait to consume it until Pastor comes by with the chalice, so that he knows you are receiving it in that fashion. If the supply of individual cups is depleted, please accept the blood of Christ from the chalice.

# CATECHESIS

(On the following page[s],  
locate the specified portion of Luther's Small Catechism,  
and, when prompted by the question, recite the given answer.)

*The week's announcements follow the service at the back of the binder.*

*What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?*

These words, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins,” show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

*How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?*

Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: “forgiveness of sins.”

*Who receives this Sacrament worthily?*

Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words “for you” require all hearts to believe.

## SECTION 2

### Daily Prayers

HOW THE HEAD OF THE FAMILY SHOULD  
TEACH HIS HOUSEHOLD TO PRAY MORNING  
AND EVENING

#### Morning Prayer

*In the morning when you get up, make the sign of the holy cross and say:*

In the name of the Father and of the  
✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Then, kneeling or standing, repeat the Creed and the Lord’s Prayer. If you choose, you may also say this little prayer:*

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen. (423)

*Then go joyfully to your work, singing a hymn, like that of the Ten Commandments, or whatever your devotion may suggest.*

#### Evening Prayer

*In the evening when you go to bed, make the sign of the holy cross and say:*

In the name of the Father and of the  
✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Then, kneeling or standing, repeat the Creed and the Lord’s Prayer. If you choose, you may also say this little prayer:*

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen. (424)

*Then go to sleep at once and in good cheer.*

HOW THE HEAD OF THE FAMILY SHOULD  
TEACH HIS HOUSEHOLD TO ASK A BLESSING  
AND RETURN THANKS

#### Asking a Blessing

*The children and members of the household shall go to the table reverently, fold their hands, and say:*

The eyes of all look to You, [O Lord,] and You give them their food at the proper time. You open Your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing. *Psalms 145:15–16*

*Then shall be said the Lord's Prayer and the following:*

Lord God, heavenly Father, bless us and these Your gifts which we receive from Your bountiful goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. (445)

**Returning Thanks**

*Also, after eating, they shall, in like manner, reverently and with folded hands say:*

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good. His love endures forever. [He] gives food to every creature. He provides food for the cattle and for the young ravens when they call. His pleasure is not in the strength of the horse, nor His delight in the legs of a man; the Lord delights in those who fear Him, who put their hope in His unfailing love. *Psalm 136:1, 25; 147:9-11*

*Then shall be said the Lord's Prayer and the following:*

We thank You, Lord God, heavenly Father, for all Your benefits, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen. (446)

**SECTION 3**

**Table of Duties**

CERTAIN PASSAGES OF SCRIPTURE FOR VARIOUS HOLY ORDERS AND POSITIONS, ADMONISHING THEM ABOUT THEIR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

**To Bishops, Pastors, and Preachers**

1 Timothy 3:2-4  
1 Timothy 3:6  
Titus 1:9

**What the Hearers Owe Their Pastors**

1 Corinthians 9:14  
Galatians 6:6-7  
1 Timothy 5:17-18  
1 Thessalonians 5:12-13  
Hebrews 13:17

**Of Civil Government**

Romans 13:1-4

**Of Citizens**

Matthew 22:21  
Romans 13:5-7  
1 Timothy 2:1-3  
Titus 3:1  
1 Peter 2:13-14

**To Husbands**

1 Peter 3:7  
Colossians 3:19

**To Wives**

Ephesians 5:22  
1 Peter 3:5-6

**To Parents**

Ephesians 6:4

**To Children**

Ephesians 6:1-3

**To Workers of All Kinds**

Ephesians 6:5-8

**To Employers and Supervisors**

Ephesians 6:9

**To Youth**

1 Peter 5:5-6

**To Widows**

1 Timothy 5:5-6

**To Everyone**

Romans 13:9  
1 Timothy 2:1

*Let each his lesson learn with care,  
And all the household well shall fare.*

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Stand*

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

**C** Amen.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**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.

**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.

*Kneel/Stand*

**C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

**P** Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

### Introit

*Psalm 85:8-10; antiphon: v.7*

(Sing the Introit responsively using the tone provided.)

The congregation sings the indented and bold portions of the text.

See *LSB* xxvi for how the tone and text correspond.)



Show us your steadfast love, | O LORD,\*  
and grant us your sal- | vation.

Let me hear what God the | LORD will speak,\*

for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them  
not turn back to | folly.

Surely his salvation is near to those who | fear him,\*  
that glory may dwell | in our land.

Steadfast love and faith- | fulness meet;\*  
righteousness and peace kiss each | other.

Righteousness will go be- | fore him\*  
and make his foot- | steps a way.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Show us your steadfast love, | O LORD,\*  
and grant us your sal- | vation.

## Kyrie



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

## Gloria in Excelsis



**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 - shiped 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

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** Let us pray. ... now and forever.
- C** Amen.

*Sit*

Behold, the word of the Lord came to [Elijah], and he said to him, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” <sup>10</sup>He said, “I have been very jealous for the Lord, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away.” <sup>11</sup>And he said, “Go out and stand on the mount before the Lord.” And behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. <sup>12</sup>And after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. <sup>13</sup>And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” <sup>14</sup>He said, “I have been very jealous for the Lord, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away.” <sup>15</sup>And the Lord said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. <sup>16</sup>And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. <sup>17</sup>And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. <sup>18</sup>Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.”

<sup>19</sup>So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of

him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him. <sup>20</sup>And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” And he said to him, “Go back again, for what have I done to you?” <sup>21</sup>And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the yokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Gradual

*Romans 10:15b, 18b; Isaiah 52:7b, altered*

(Sing the Gradual responsively as the Introit using the tone provided.

Each of the Gradual’s four half-lines corresponds  
to one fourth of the double tone)



How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the | good news,\*  
who publish peace and bring good news of sal- | vation.  
Their voice has gone out to | all the earth,\*  
and their words to the ends | of the world

### Epistle

*Galatians 5:1, 13–25*

<sup>1</sup>For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. . . .

<sup>13</sup>For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. <sup>14</sup>For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>15</sup>But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another.

<sup>16</sup>But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. <sup>17</sup>For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. <sup>18</sup>But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. <sup>19</sup>Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, <sup>20</sup>idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, <sup>21</sup>envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. <sup>22</sup>But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup>gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. <sup>24</sup>And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

<sup>25</sup>If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

**Alleluia and Verse**

*LSB 205; Luke 9:51*

(After a brief introduction, the congregation sings the triple Alleluia before and after Pastor sings the appointed Verse.)



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

**P** When the days drew near for him to be | taken up,\*  
he set his face to go to Je- | rusalem.



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

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

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>51</sup>When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. <sup>52</sup>And he sent messengers ahead of him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for him. <sup>53</sup>But the people did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. <sup>54</sup>And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" <sup>55</sup>But he turned and rebuked them. <sup>56</sup>And they went on to another village.

<sup>57</sup>As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." <sup>58</sup>And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." <sup>59</sup>To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father." <sup>60</sup>And Jesus said to him, "Leave the dead to bury their own dead. But as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." <sup>61</sup>Yet another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home." <sup>62</sup>Jesus said to him, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

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

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Apostles' Creed

**C** 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.

*Hymns of the Day*

## 688 "Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake



1 "Come, fol - low Me," the Sav - ior spake, "All in My  
2 "I am the light, I light the way, A god - ly  
3 "My heart a - bounds in low - li - ness, My soul with  
4 "I teach you how to shun and flee What harms your



way a - bid - ing; De - ny your - selves, the world for - sake,  
life dis - play - ing; I bid you walk as in the day;  
love is glow - ing; And gra - cious words My lips ex - press,  
soul's sal - va - tion, Your heart from ev - 'ry guile to free,



O - bey My call and guid - ing. O bear the cross, what -  
I keep your feet from stray - ing. I am the way, and  
With meek - ness o - ver - flow - ing. My heart, My mind, My  
From sin and its temp - ta - tion. I am the ref - uge



e'er be - tide, Take My ex - am - ple for your guide.  
well I show How you must so - journ here be - low.  
strength, My all, To God I yield, on Him I call.  
of the soul And lead you to your heav'n - ly goal."

- 5 Then let us follow Christ, our Lord,  
And take the cross appointed  
And, firmly clinging to His Word,  
In suff'ring be undaunted.  
For those who bear the battle's strain  
The crown of heav'nly life obtain.

*Sit*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Prayer of the Church**

*Congregational responses may be included according to one of the following forms:*

**A** ... Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**A** For ... let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

*Sit*

**Offering**

*Stand*

**Seasonal Offertory**

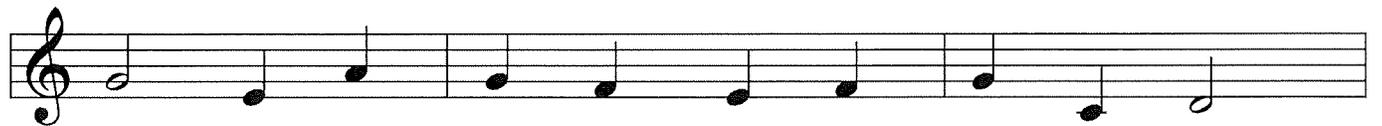
786 Lord of All Good (stanzas 1 & 3 with Amen)



1 Lord of all good, our gifts we bring You now;  
△ 3 Fa - ther, whose boun - ty all cre - a - tion shows;



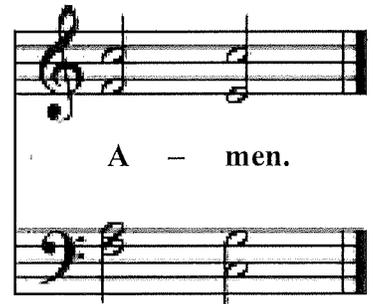
Use them Your ho - ly pur - pose to ful - fill.  
Christ, by whose will - ing sac - ri - fice we live;



To - kens of love and pledg - es they shall be  
Spir - it, from whom all life in full - ness flows:



That our whole life is of - fered to Your will.  
To You with grate - ful hearts our - selves we give.



A - men.

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## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

*Stand*

### 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.**

**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



**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

**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.

*The prayer continues as appropriate to the season and concludes as follows.*

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

## Lord's Prayer

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

## The Words of Our Lord

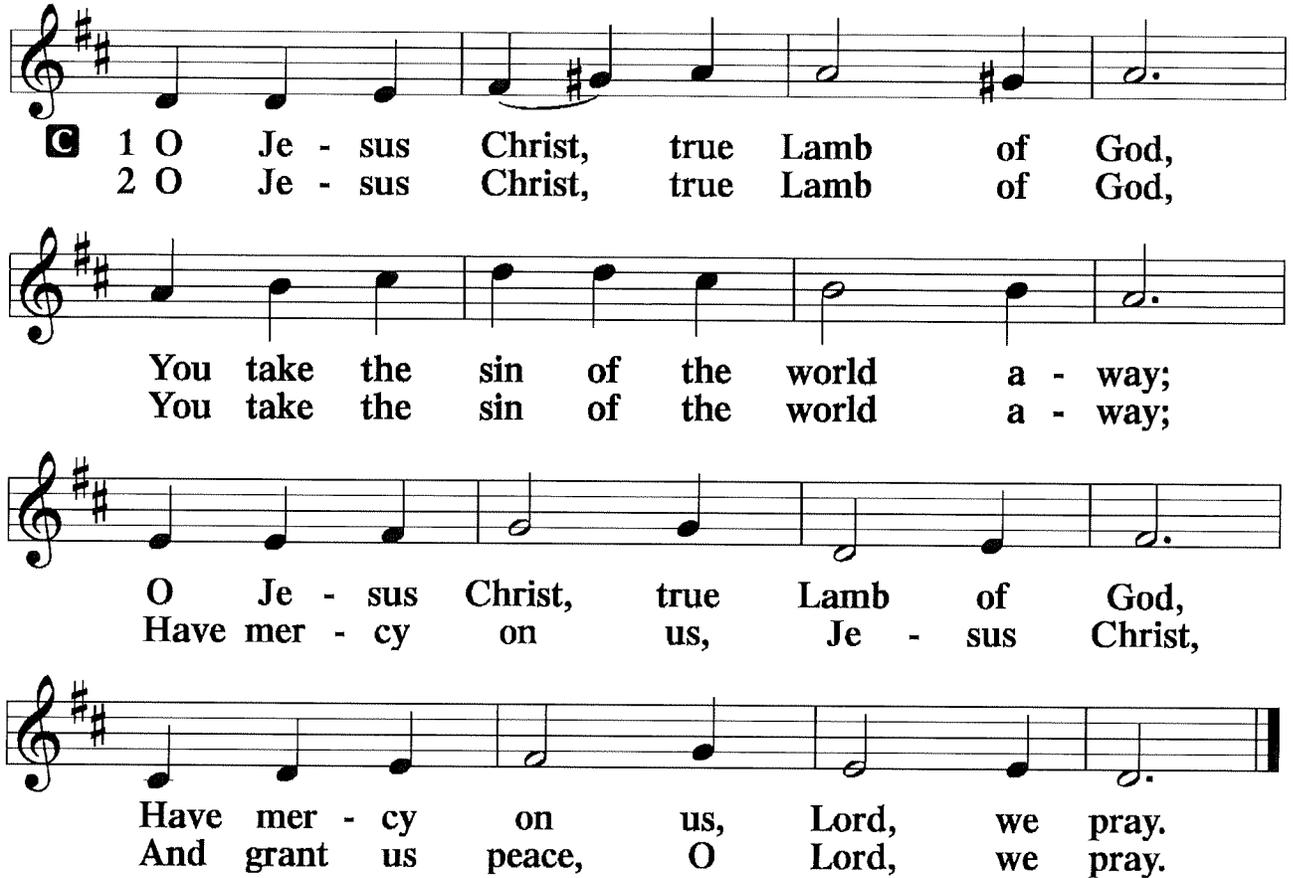
**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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

## Pax Domini

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

## Agnus Dei



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.

*Sit*

### 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 Hymns**

## 691 Fruitful Trees, the Spirit's Sowing



1 Fruit - ful trees, the Spir - it's sow - ing, May we rip - en  
2 Lad - en branch - es free - ly bear - ing Gifts the Giv - er  
3 Root - ed deep in Christ our Mas - ter, Christ our pat - tern  
4 Fruit - ful trees, the Spir - it's tend - ing, May we grow till

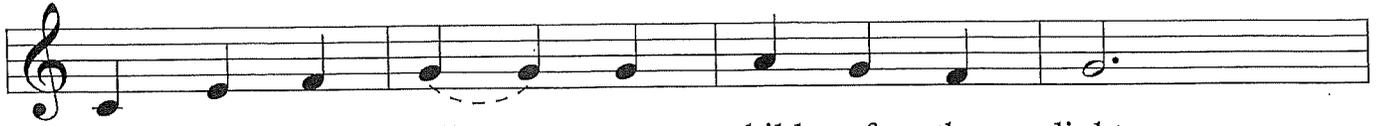


and in - crease, Fruit to life e - ter - nal grow - ing,  
loves to bless; Here is fruit that grows by shar - ing,  
and our goal, Teach us, as the years fly fast - er,  
har - vests cease; Till we taste, in life un - end - ing,



Rich in love and joy and peace.  
Pa - tience, kind - ness, gen - tle - ness.  
Good - ness, faith, and self - con - trol.  
Heav - en's love and joy and peace.

# 411 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light



1 I want to walk as a child of the light.  
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.  
3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.



I want to fol - low Je - sus.  
I want to look at Je - sus.  
I want to be with Je - sus.



God set the stars to give light to the world.  
Clear Sun of Righ - teous - ness, shine on my path,  
When we have run with pa - tience the race,



The star of my life is Je - sus.  
And show me the way to the Fa - ther.  
We shall know the joy of Je - sus.



*Refrain*

In Him there is no dark - ness at all.



The night and the day are both a - like.



The Lamb is the light of the cit - y of God.

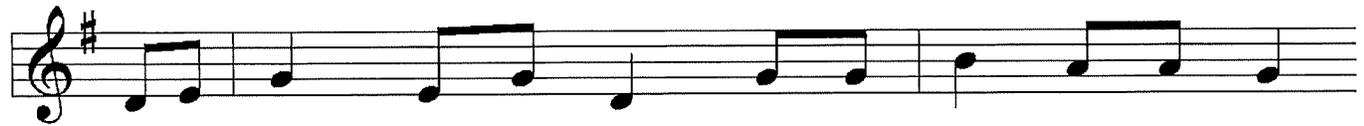


Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

## 728 How Firm a Foundation



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,



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.



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



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.

5 "Throughout all their lifetime My people will prove  
My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love;  
And then, when gray hairs will their temples adorn,  
Like lambs they will still in My bosom be borne."

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

**C** 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. Amen

Post-Communion Collect

- A** Let us pray.  
... one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

## Benedicamus and Benediction

**A** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**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

## 965 God Bless Our Native Land



1 God bless our na - tive land; Firm may she ev - er stand  
2 So shall our prayers a - rise To God a - bove the skies;



Through storm and night. When the wild tem - pests rave, Rul - er of  
On Him we wait. Thou who art ev - er nigh, Guard - ing with



wind and wave, Do Thou our coun - try save By Thy great might.  
watch - ful eye, To Thee a - loud we cry: God save the state!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 29, 2025

**BEFORE THE SERVICE:** As you greet and visit one another, please be sensitive to others who may wish an opportunity for silence to pray and otherwise to prepare for worship.

**OFFERING BOX:** Offerings may be placed in the Offering Box in the Narthex before or after services. Envelopes are available on the side of the Box for your use, such as if you would like your cash offering to be recorded, tracked, and receipted in a report back to you.

**PEW CUSHIONS:** If you would like to use a cushion either for your seat or for your seat and back, cushions for your use are available in the Usher's Closet off the north side of the Narthex.

**PEW SLIPS:** *Visitors*, please register your attendance both by completing a slip from rack on the back of the pews and placing them in the Offering Box in the Narthex and by signing the Guest Register at the door. *Members*, please complete a slip only if your contact information has changed or you have a new or updated prayer-list request. (The Usher tracks church attendance and communion participation.)

**GROWING IN WORSHIP:** Parents, please make use of the bulletins available in the Narthex for children aged 5-10, including the bulletins' activities for the whole week!

**LARGER-PRINT/FLOW-THROUGH BINDERS** are available in the Narthex for those who have trouble seeing the smaller-print of the hymnal, those with other special needs who cannot follow the liturgy in the hymnal or handle its weight, and those who are visiting Pilgrim who are not already familiar with liturgical services and/or our hymnal. If you need or otherwise want to use a flow-through and can help minimize paper and copying expenses, a PDF of the flow-through binder's contents is available in the upper-right corner of Pilgrim's homepage, [www.pilgrimlc.org](http://www.pilgrimlc.org), to open on or to download to your electronic device.

**PRAYER REQUEST:** If you have a special petition for the Prayers of the Church, please notify the Usher, Elder on Duty, or Pastor before the service.

**IF A NEED SHOULD ARISE,** Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Restrooms are available in the Parish Hall (non-ADA Restrooms are available in the Office Area, one with a change table), and there is a Cry Room (also with a change table) off the south side of the Narthex. Let the Usher or Elder-on-Duty know if you need assistance or supplies.

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**JITSI AND YOUTUBE:** Links for both Jitsi, for two-way live virtual participation, and YouTube, for one-way live and recorded video streaming, are on Pilgrim's homepage ([www.pilgrimlc.org](http://www.pilgrimlc.org)). Please let Remo or Ben them know if you experience any difficulties!

**LAST WEEK:** There were 0 students but 1 teacher prepared for Sunday School; 13 people were present in person for Adult Bible Class, and another 1 participated via Jitsi; 26 were present in person for the Sunday Divine Service (23 communed), and another 3 participated via YouTube; 3 were present in person for the Presentation of the Augsburg Confession Divine Service (9 communed); and three catechumens were present for Thursday-evening catechesis.

**THANKS** to all those caring for the inside and outside of Pilgrim's facilities; to Rev. Adler for the use of his chasubles; to Remo Gualtieri and all those helping with the video and audio for classes and services; and to Ellen Menconi for Church Office work.

**SERVING TODAY:** The Rev. Dr. Jayson S. Galler, Pastor; Don Gibson, Elder on Duty; and Elaine Navaille, Accompanist.

**LIFE THOUGHTS:** Even the prophet Elijah at one time thought things looked so bad that he should die (1 Kings 19:4), but the Lord had a bigger perspective than Elijah saw (1 Kings 19:9b-21). The Lord, Who did not come to the prophet Elijah as might have been expected in a great and strong wind but in the sound of a low whisper, also works in our lives in sometimes unconventional ways when we might think that things would be better if we or someone else would die.

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS:** When St. Paul for the Galatians and for us contrasts the works of the flesh and the fruits of the Spirit, his lists are not all-inclusive but "such as these" (Galatians 5:1, 13-25). We are not free in Christ to let only others support the work of God's Kingdom in this place, but, keeping in step with the Spirit, also we give generously (proportionately, sacrificially) of what God has entrusted to our care.

**AS YOU DEPART**, please be mindful of those who are ushered out behind you, who may have difficulty standing and waiting, and so who may need an open path to the door and to get to their cars quickly. If you stop to talk to someone in the Sanctuary, please keep the aisle as clear as possible, and please delay lengthier conversations with the pastor until after he has greeted everyone. Thank you for your consideration!

**“LOOSE-CHANGE SUNDAY”:** Please use the large Mite Box in the Narthex today, in order to contribute your loose change and more, beyond your regular offering, for LWML mites that in part fund District and National mission grants (lists of grant recipients are on the bulletin board above the Mite Box).

**AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX** are hardcopies of the July edition of Pilgrim’s monthly newsletter *The Pilgrimage*; Pastor Galler’s recent newspaper columns (including his 06/21 column, “Whether ‘No Kings’ or ‘Yes Kings’, God still rules”); the larger-print schedule of Daily Bible Reading for June and July; *Portals of Prayer* for July-September 2025; the Winter 2025 edition of *Christian Culture: A Magazine for Lutherans* from Luther Classical College (and some hardcopies of the Fall 2024 edition, too); the latest Church Directory (dated 2024/12/22, printed on darker-purple paper); and Pilgrim’s Funeral Planning Worksheet for completing, discussing with Pastor Galler, and filing in the Church Office.

**FIFTH-SUNDAY MEAL/CHURCH PICNIC/GAME DAY:** After the Divine Service today, join us in the Great Room of the Parish Hall. All are invited and welcome, whether or not you brought any food or games!

**TEXAS SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL:** The 2025 Summer Season is underway! We could get a group together to see one or more of the shows. The schedule and tickets are at [www.texasshakespeare.com](http://www.texasshakespeare.com). (Note that the last few years tickets for Sunday 2:00 p.m. matinees and 7:30 p.m. evening shows have been sold at discounted prices the day of the shows.)

**STUDY HOURS:** Pastor Galler is usually in his study Tuesdays from 5:00-8:00 p.m., Wednesdays through Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to Noon, and Saturdays Noon to 3:00 p.m. Come for Individual Confession and Absolution (see *Lutheran Service Book* 292-293) or for any other reason. Pastor Galler is also available at other times by appointment at Pilgrim, or he can come to you (email [pastor@pilgrimlc.org](mailto:pastor@pilgrimlc.org) or text/call 903-984-4333). For emergency pastoral care, please call Pastor Galler.

**MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY:** Join us for “Salvation History is Our Story” this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in-person in the Conference Room/Library and on-line. We will continue our discussion of Revelation 21:9-27, the “New Jerusalem”, focusing on vv.22-27. (If Jitsi is not working for you, feel free to call the church phone in order to be conferenced in.) Find past sessions at [www.pilgrimlc.org/bible-studies/salvation-history](http://www.pilgrimlc.org/bible-studies/salvation-history).

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**CATECHESIS:** Pastor Galler's Thursday 7:30 p.m. in-person class on the Small Catechism will not meet July 3 or 10 but will meet next July 17.

**COUNCIL REPORTS:** Please submit reports for the Third Quarter of 2025 and agenda items for the next Council Meeting to Recording Secretary Joy McHargue by next Sunday, July 6, so that the Packet for the July 27 regular Quarterly Council Meeting can be distributed and otherwise be available before that Meeting. Thank you!

**NEXT SUNDAY:** 9:15 a.m. Refreshments; 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class ("Romans: The Righteousness of God"); and 10:45 a.m. Divine Service, followed by a gathering of "The 15-2 Folk".

Readings: Isaiah 66:10-14; Galatians 6:1-10, 14-18; and Luke 10:1-20.

Hymns: LSB 533, 826, 704, 763, and 895.

Prepare yourself for worship in advance by praying about, reading over, and meditating on the appointed Scripture and Hymns.

"**THE 15-2 FOLK**" will meet next Sunday, July 6 after the Divine Service in the Great Room, for heavy snacking and playing some Cribbage. All are welcome to stay for the heavy snacking, even if not staying for the Cribbage! If you do not know how to play Cribbage, they will teach you!

**ELDERS' MEETING:** Pilgrim's next Elders' Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 8, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room/Library. If you have an item of concern that the Elders should address, please share it with Pastor Galler, your Elder, or one of the other Elders before then. Elders will please come having read and being prepared to discuss Augsburg Confession and Apology Article X: Lord's Supper, *Concordia*, pp.35, 153-155.

**HELP NEEDED:** Please volunteer to help operate Jitsi and YouTube live for classes and services, especially while Remo is in Australia, September 1 through November 24. Do not let the technology scare you off: Remo will teach you all that you need to know in order to do it!

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Longview is offering VBS the evenings of July 15-17. To volunteer and/or to enroll students, text/call Barbara Wuthrich at 903-720-3525.

**LUTHERAN HYMN FESTIVAL:** Mark your calendar now for the festival, themed "The Holy Trinity: Yesterday, Today, Forever", on Sunday, October 19, at 4:30 p.m. at the Meyerson Symphony Center in Dallas. Tickets are expected to go on sale July 16.

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