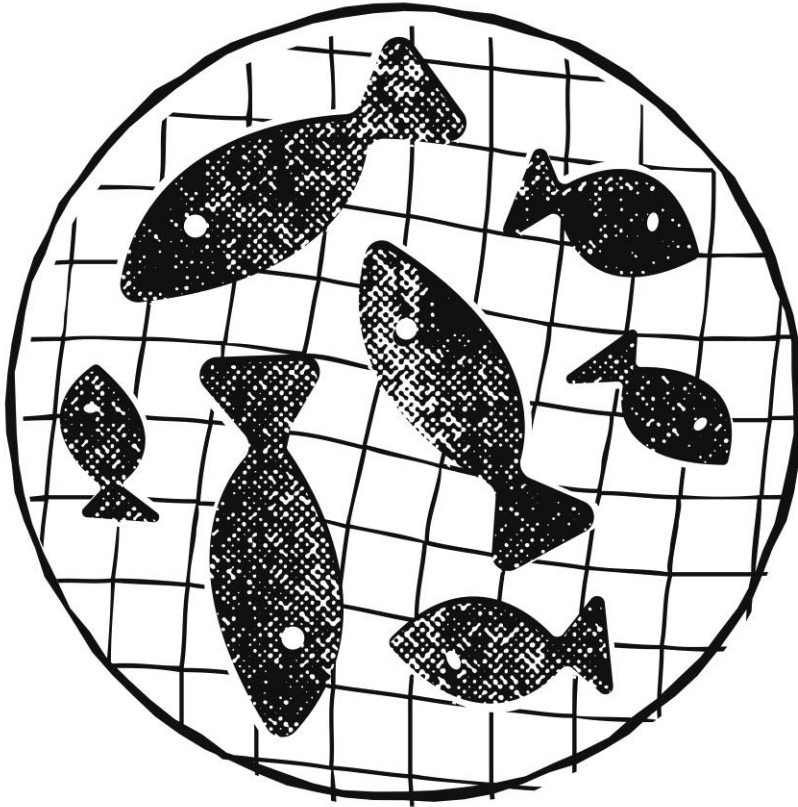


*"Follow me, and I will make you become  
fishers of men." -- Mark 1:17*



The Third Sunday after Epiphany  
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## Welcome and Opening Prayer

### 856 O Christ, Who Called the Twelve

LSB 856



1 O Christ, who called the Twelve To rise and fol - low You, For -  
2 O Christ, who taught the Twelve The truth for a - ges sealed, Whose  
3 O Christ, who led the Twelve A - mong the des - o - late And  
4 O Christ, who sent the Twelve On roads they'd nev - er trod To  
5 O Christ, the a - pos - tles' Lord, The mar - tyrs' strength and song, The



sak - ing old, fa - mil - iar ways For ven - tures bold and new:  
words and works a - wak - ened faith, The ways of God re - vealed:  
broke as bread of life for all Your love com - pas - sion - ate:  
serve, to suf - fer, teach, pro - claim The near - er reign of God:  
cru - ci - fied and ris - en King To whom the saints be - long:



Grant us to hear Your call To risk se - cu - ri - ty And,  
In - struct us now, we pray, By Your em - pow'r - ing Word. True  
Lead us a - long the ways Where hope has near - ly died And  
Send us on ways where faith Tran - scends ti - mid - i - ty, Where  
Though gen - er - a - tions pass, Our trib - ute still we bring, Our



bound in heart and will to You, Find per - fect lib - er - ty.  
teach - er, be for all who seek Their light, their life, their Lord.  
help us climb the lone - ly hills Where love is cru - ci - fied.  
love in - forms and hope sus - tains Both life and min - is - try.  
hymns a sac - ri - fice of praise, Our lives an of - fer - ing.

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*Stand*

## **Divine Service Setting One, page 151**

### **✠ Confession and Absolution ✠**

*Confession, to confess to God our sins and sinful nature. Absolution, “To absolve of sin and wrongdoing,” more specifically, to affirm God’s forgiveness to all who sincerely confess their sins to Him.*

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

### **Invocation**

*Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*

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

**C** Amen.

### **Exhortation**

*1 John 1:8–9 151*

**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.**

*Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination. Consider: Have you loved God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your strength? Have you loved your neighbor as yourself?*

### **Confession of Sins**

*LSB 151*

**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.**

### **Absolution**

*[John 20:19–23] LSB 151*

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

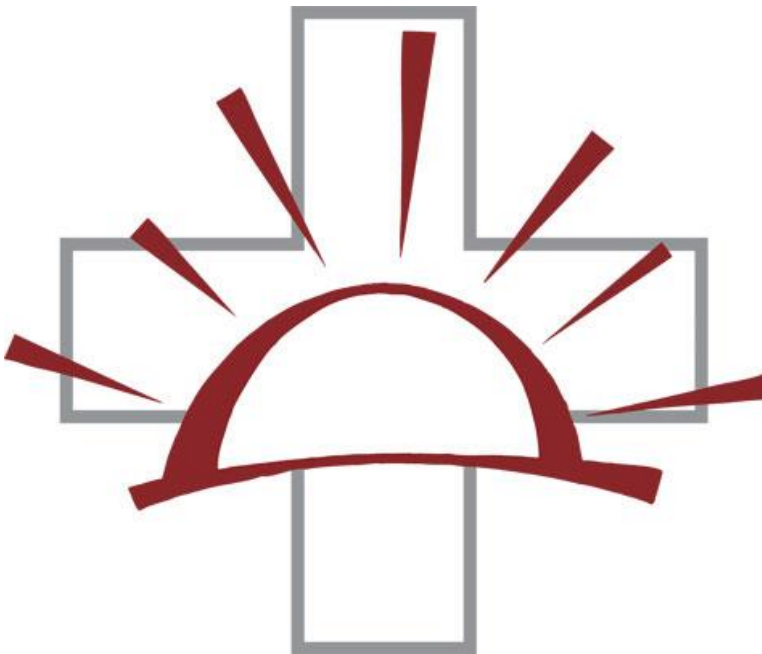
**C** Amen.

## Service of the Word

### Introit

*Psalm 113:1-2, 4, 7-8; antiphon: v. 3*

- P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
**C** **the name of the LORD is to be praised!**
- P** Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD,  
**C** **praise the name of the LORD!**
- P** Blessed be the name of the LORD  
**C** **from this time forth and forevermore!**
- P** The LORD is high above all nations,  
**C** **and his glory above the heavens!**
- P** He raises the poor from the dust  
**C** **and lifts the needy from the ash heap,**
- P** to make them sit with princes,  
**C** **with the princes of his people. 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** From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
**C** **the name of the LORD is to be praised!**



# Kyrie

Mark 10:47 152

*A Greek phrase meaning, "Lord, have mercy!" A brief prayer not only imploring God's mercy but rejoicing in it through Jesus Christ.*

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



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

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



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

**P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



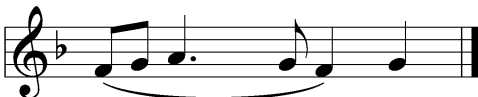
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

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



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

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



**C** A - men.

# Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29 LSB 154

**P** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



**C** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

*“Salutation” is a word from Latin meaning, “to greet.” “Collect” (KAH-lekt), a brief structured prayer, usually consisting of five parts: address to God, basis for the prayer, petition, desired benefit or result, and trinitarian conclusion. The Collect of the Day also “collects” the message of the day’s Gospel reading.*

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Jonah 3:1–5, 10*

**A** The Old Testament Reading is from Jonah, chapter 3.

<sup>1</sup>Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, <sup>2</sup>“Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you.” <sup>3</sup>So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days’ journey in breadth. <sup>4</sup>Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s journey. And he called out, “Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” <sup>5</sup>And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them. . . .

<sup>10</sup>When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

1 Corinthians 7:29–35

**A** The Epistle is from 1 Corinthians, chapter 7.

<sup>29</sup>This is what I mean, brothers: the appointed time has grown very short. From now on, let those who have wives live as though they had none, <sup>30</sup>and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no goods, <sup>31</sup>and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

<sup>32</sup>I want you to be free from anxieties. The unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to please the Lord. <sup>33</sup>But the married man is anxious about worldly things, how to please his wife, <sup>34</sup>and his interests are divided. And the unmarried or betrothed woman is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to be holy in body and spirit. But the married woman is anxious about worldly things, how to please her husband. <sup>35</sup>I say this for your own benefit, not to lay any restraint upon you, but to promote good order and to secure your undivided devotion to the Lord.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse

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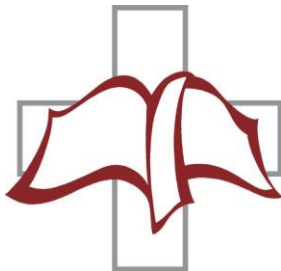
*Hebrew word meaning "praise the LORD." Also spelled "Hallelujah".*



**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.





## Holy Gospel

Mark 1:14–20

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

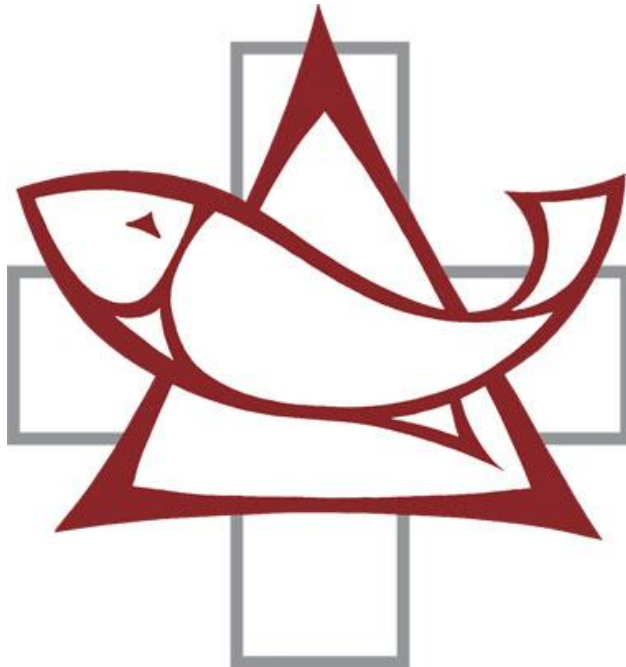
**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>14</sup>After John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, <sup>15</sup>and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”

<sup>16</sup>Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup>And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.” <sup>18</sup>And immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>19</sup>And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. <sup>20</sup>And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

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

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



## Nicene Creed

*Creed comes from the Latin "credo" which means "I believe." We confess our Christian faith in one of the three creeds (short statement of belief) agreed upon by the ancient church.*

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

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

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

## Children's Message (10:30 am only)

Matthew 19:14; Mark 13:13-15; Luke 18:16

*A message especially for children from our Director of Christian Education,  
Amanda Adams.*

### 839 O Christ, Our True and Only Light

LSB 839



1 O Christ, our true and on - ly light, En - light - en  
2 Fill with the ra - diance of Your grace The souls now  
3 O gent - ly call those gone a - stray That they may  
4 Shine on the dark - ened and the cold; Re - call the  
5 That they with us may ev - er - more Such grace with



those who sit in night; Let those a - far now  
lost in er - ror's maze; En - light - en those whose  
find the sav - ing way! Let ev - 'ry con - science  
wan - d'ers to Your fold. U - nite all those who  
won - d'ring thanks a - dore And end - less praise to



hear Your voice And in Your fold with us re - jice.  
in - most minds Some dark de - lu - sion haunts and blinds.  
sore op - pressed In You find peace and heav'n - ly rest.  
walk a - part; Con - firm the weak and doubt - ing heart,  
You be giv'n By all Your Church in earth and heav'n.

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## Sermon



## Offering

*For those gathered with us in-person, an offering plate will be at the back of the room for a contactless drop-off for your gifts, tithes, and offerings as you leave today's service.*

*For those still joining us remotely, we have multiple options for giving. You can text **CHRISTLCMS** to 77977 to give via text message, or sign up for online giving at [pushpay.com/pay/christlcms](https://pushpay.com/pay/christlcms) for a one-time or recurring gift. Or, use the "My Church by PushPay" app, with keyword **CHRISTLCMS**. You may also mail your offering to the church office (3509 SW Burlingame Rd, Topeka, KS 66611).*

*Direct links with more information are available on the church website ([christlcms.org/giving](https://christlcms.org/giving)).*

*If you have prayer requests, please e-mail them to our church office ([office@christlcms.org](mailto:office@christlcms.org)) or call the office at (785) 266-6263. We will include them in next week's service, and also share them with our prayer chain if desired.*

*Stand*

## Offertory

Psalm 116:12–13, 17–19 LSB 159

What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## Prayer of the Church

1 Timothy 2:1-4

*At the end of each petition, the pastor will say, “Lord, in Your mercy,” to which the congregation will respond, “**Hear our prayer.**”*

**P** ...through Jesus Christ, Your son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136] LSB 160

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.



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

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



**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

### Proper Preface (Full)

**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; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9 161

(SAHNK-toose), "Sanctus" is Latin for "holy".



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

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**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.



## Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13 LSB 162

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

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

## Pax Domini

John 20:19 163

*(PAKS DOH-mee-nee), Latin for "peace of the Lord" (John 20:19).*

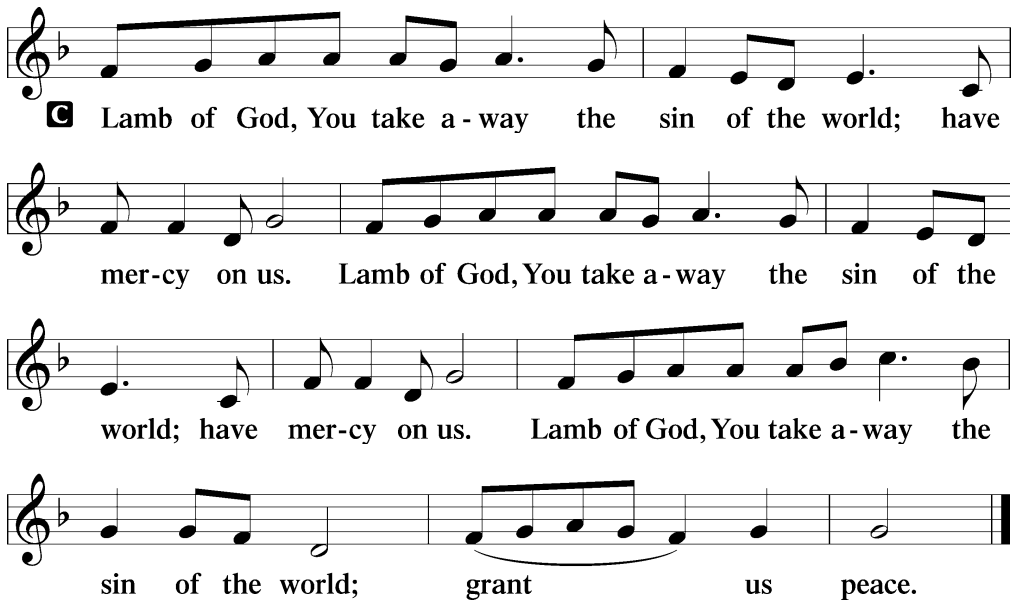
**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.



## Agnus Dei

John 1:29 LSB 163

(AHG-noose DAY-ee). Latin for "Lamb of God."



□ Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

*Sit*

### Distribution

*Communion is reserved for those who are members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod or members of a church body in fellowship with the LCMS unless special arrangements have been made with the pastor. The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first. Then they will distribute it to those who cannot come up to the front of the sanctuary due to physical ailments. Following that the ushers will dismiss the people from their pews to proceed to the front. All are invited up to receive a blessing.*





# 409 Hail, O Source of Every Blessing

LSB 409



1 Hail, O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Fa - ther of our  
 2 Once far off but now in - vit - ed, We ap - proach Your  
 3 Hail, O all - in - vit - ing Sav - ior! Gen - tiles now their



hu - man race! Gen - tiles now, Your grace pos - sess - ing, In Your  
 sa - cred throne, In Your cov - e - nant u - nit - ed, Rec - on -  
 of - f'rings bring, In Your tem - ples seek Your fa - vor, Je - sus



courts ob - tain a place. Grate - ful now, we fall be - fore You,  
 ciled, re - deemed, made one. Now re - vealed to east - ern sa - ges,  
 Christ, our Lord and King. May we, bod - y, soul, and spir - it,



In Your Church re - joice to live, See Your glo - ry  
 See the Star of Mer - cy shine, Mys - t'ry hid in  
 Live de - vot - ed to Your praise, Glo - rious realms of



and a - dore You, Thank - ful for the grace You give.  
 for - mer a - ges, Mys - t'ry great of love di - vine.  
 bliss in - her - it, Grate - ful an - thems ev - er raise.

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# 511 Herald, Sound the Note of Judgment

LSB 511



1 Her - ald, sound the note of judg - ment, Warn - ing  
 2 Her - ald, sound the note of glad - ness; Tell the  
 3 Her - ald, sound the note of par - don— Those re -  
 4 Her - ald, sound the note of tri - umph; Christ has



us of right and wrong, Turn - ing us from sin and  
 news that Christ is here; Make a path - way through the  
 pent - ing are for - giv'n; God re - ceives His way - ward  
 come to share our life, Bring - ing God's own love and



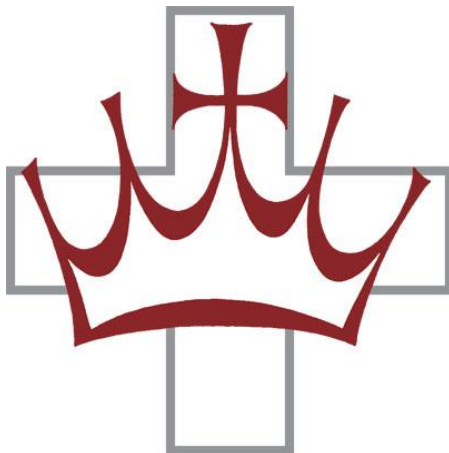
sad - ness Till once more we sing the song.  
 des - ert For the one who brings God near.  
 chil - dren, And to them new life is giv'n.  
 pow - er, Grant - ing vic - t'ry in our strife.

*Refrain*



Sound the trum-pet! Tell the mes-sage: Christ, the Sav-ior king, is come!

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# 510 A Multitude Comes from the East and the West

LSB 510



1 A mul - ti - tude comes from the east and the west  
 2 O God, let us hear when our Shep - herd shall call  
 3 All tri - als shall be like a dream that is past,  
 4 The heav - ens shall ring with an an - them more grand



To sit at the feast of sal - va - tion  
 In ac - cents per - sua - sive and ten - der,  
 For - got - ten all trou - ble and mourn - ing,  
 Than ev - er on earth was re - cord - ed.



With A - bra - ham, I - saac, and Ja - cob, the blest,  
 That while there is time we make haste, one and all,  
 All ques - tions and doubts have been an - swered at last,  
 The blest of the Lord shall re - ceive at His hand



O - bey - ing the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion.  
 And find Him, our might - y de - fend - er.  
 When ris - es the light of that morn - ing.  
 The crown to the vic - tors a - ward - ed.



Have mer - cy up - on us, O Je - sus!  
 Have mer - cy up - on us, O Je - sus!  
 Have mer - cy up - on us, O Je - sus!  
 Have mer - cy up - on us, O Je - sus!

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*Stand*

**Dismissal**

## Thank the Lord

[Psalm 105:1–3, 42–43]; [1 Chronicles 16:8–10] LSB 164



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



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



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

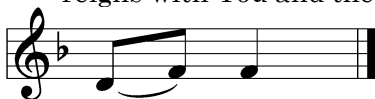


with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

## Post-Communion Collect

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## Luther's Morning Prayer

**C** 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.

## Benediction

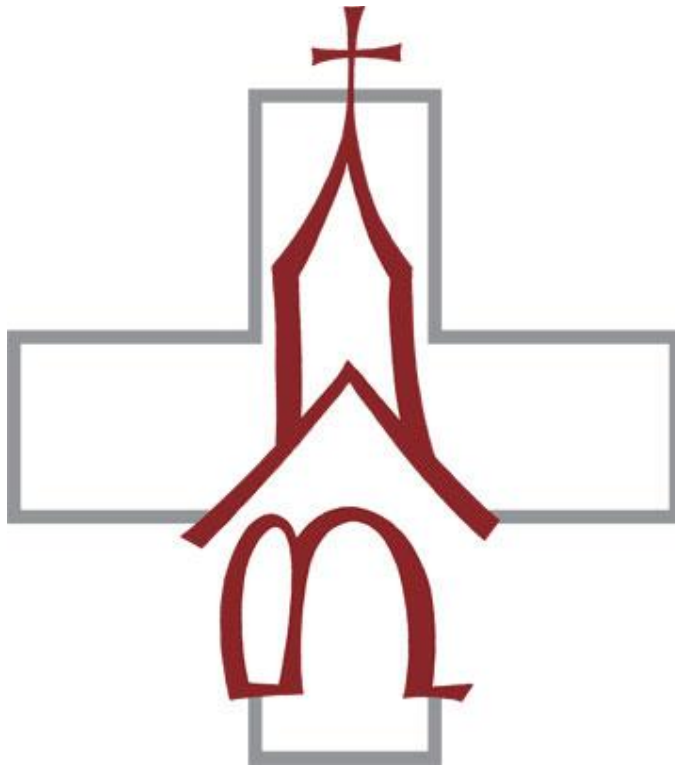
Numbers 6:24–26 166

*A final blessing from God this morning before we leave.*

- ☐ 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.



*Sit*



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1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, Fol - low His ex -  
 2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus And with pa - tience  
 3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death He  
 4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en



am - ple pure, Through a world that would de - ceive us And to  
 bear our cross. Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; Where He  
 con - quered death, He will free us from de - struc - tion, Give to  
 from the dead That to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus,



sin our spir - its lure. On - ward in His foot - steps tread - ing,  
 is, there is no loss. Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter,  
 us im - mor - tal breath. Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion  
 You are now our head. We are Your own liv - ing mem - bers;



Pil - grims here, our home a - bove, Full of faith and  
 We shall reap ce - les - tial joy; All dis - com - forts  
 That would lead us in - to sin; And the grave that  
 Where You live, there we shall be In Your pres - ence



hope and love, Let us do the Fa - ther's bid - ding. Faith - ful  
 that an - noy Shall give way to mirth here - af - ter. Je - sus,  
 shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heav - en. Je - sus,  
 con - stant - ly, Liv - ing there with You for - ev - er. Je - sus,



Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where You guide.  
 here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.  
 here with You I die, There to live with You on high.  
 let me faith - ful be, Life e - ter - nal grant to me.

## -- Week at a Glance --

Sunday January 24th	<b>8:00, 9:15, &amp; 10:30 am</b> 5:00 pm	<b>Worship Service w/ Communion</b> Youth Group (7 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> grades)
Monday January 25th		
Tuesday January 26th		
Wednesday January 27th	4:00 pm 7:00 pm	Confirmation Pastor's Adult Bible Class
Thursday January 28th		
Friday January 29th		
Saturday January 30th	10:00 am	Men's Bible Study (via Zoom)
Sunday January 31st	<b>8:00, 9:15, &amp; 10:30 am</b> 2:00 pm	<b>Worship Service w/ Communion</b> Movie Day

# -- Announcements --

## Celebrating

**Birthdays:** Darin H., Stephanie M. (26<sup>th</sup>); Danny E. (28<sup>th</sup>); Dalton N. (29<sup>th</sup>); Arlyce A. (30<sup>th</sup>); Kelcie K. (31<sup>st</sup>)

**Baptism Birthdays:** John H. (28<sup>th</sup>); Cindy F. (29<sup>th</sup>); Mike S. (30<sup>th</sup>)

**Anniversaries:** (none this week)

## Worship Service Updates

*We have three worship service times: Sunday mornings at 8 am, 9:15 am, and 10:30 am. These services are capped at 45 people each to allow for proper distancing.* Please continue to sign up through the church website. Thank you for your patience as we navigate this ever-changing situation!

## Ash Wednesday (Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>)

This year (in addition to our traditional worship service at 6 PM), we are offering an abbreviated rite that still includes the Imposition of Ashes. Call the church office or sign up online for a 15-minute time slot between 2:00 and 4:00 PM. Each time slot (located in the sanctuary) will be limited to 5 people. Ashes will be applied with a cotton swab for safety purposes.

## Children/Youth Sunday School

In-person Sunday School class for children (Pre-K through 6<sup>th</sup> grade) will resume TODAY (January 24<sup>th</sup>) at 9:15 am in the gym. We will continue with the single room setup that we used last fall. DCE Amanda will continue posting weekly lessons and resources to the members page of our website ([christlcms.org/members](http://christlcms.org/members)) for those unable to attend – contact the church office if you need the password.

Youth (7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades) Sunday School is currently meeting in-person in the basement youth room on Sundays at 9:15am.

## Pastor's Bible Class

Pastor Ben's Bible Class is now back to its regular day/time on Wednesdays at 7 pm. This class is available both in person and via Zoom. Please e-mail the church office if you need the link. This class takes a closer look at the lectionary readings for the coming Sunday.

## Bible Reading Challenge

Join us as we take three weeks to read through Acts and Romans. Pick up the pink reading calendar in the coffee lobby or download it from our website. Bring it back when you're done for a reward!



# -- Announcements --

## **5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Movie Day**

We're switching it up a bit and will host Movie Day at 2pm on January 31<sup>st</sup> at B&B Theatre. We have rented the theatre to watch Lego Movie 2 and can have up to 25 people so we will be safely seated. Cost is \$5 per person with \$10 max per family. Please contact Amanda at [dceadams@christlcms.org](mailto:dceadams@christlcms.org) if you would like to join!

## **Drive-Up Communion**

If you have been watching our services online or receiving a bulletin in the mail during the pandemic but have not been able to attend in person, we invite you to join us for a brief Holy Communion service on Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>. Sign up online or call the church office for a private 10-minute time slot between 3 pm and 4 pm. Please limit one household per time slot. *This communion service is intended to reach out to those who have been unable to attend our weekly worship services in person. If you have been attending on Sunday mornings, we encourage you to continue receiving communion at that time.*

## **Soup-er Bowl**

The Evangelism Committee and LWML are teaming up for our next outreach event – the SOUP-er Bowl! During the month of February, we will be collecting soup, crackers, and other non-perishable food items for the Topeka Rescue Mission. You may leave your donations in the coffee lobby or drop them by the church office throughout the week. Thank you for your generosity!

## **Remembered in our Prayers**

Charlie P., Alice M., Luke H., Betty C., Julie J., Don L., Brittian K. (Sondra K.'s grandson), Lance L., Jerry M., Bob T., Glenna L., Jean B. (sister Pauline C.'s sister), Mert B., Angela (Mary D.'s daughter), Judy (Colleen B.'s neighbor), Noel (Colleen B.'s brother), Kathy (Brenda Z.'s sister-in-law), Martin E., Shirley (Frank J.'s grandmother), Melanie (Sharon L.'s daughter), Ella (Marsha S.'s granddaughter), Julie (Heather S.'s cousin), Brian C., Bob (David B.'s brother), Sherry (Liz J.'s sister-in-law), Omer (Cristy B.'s father), Carlie G., Rene A. for a speedy adoption process for Barbara, our front line/essential workers, and others named in your heart. Pray for the Topeka Rescue Mission, the Schumachers and their ministry in Ghana, and missionaries around the world. We pray especially for those around the world being persecuted for their faith in the one, true God and the suffering they endure. Please continue to pray for Pastor Ben, DCE Amanda, our staff and their families as they do our Lord's work here at Christ Lutheran. We pray for the staff and students of TLS and the Center for Young Children. We also pray for those who serve in the armed forces, first responders, and for our country and government. Prayers of thanksgiving for our Lord and Savior and the new life we have in Him.

## *The Lord Calls Us to Himself by the Preaching of Repentance in His Name*

When “*the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time,*” sending him to preach judgment against the great city of Nineveh, “*Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD*” (Jonah 3:1, 3). By this preaching, the people were brought to repentance. Because they “*believed God,*” as He spoke to them through His prophet, “*they turned from their evil way*” and were spared “*the disaster that he had said he would do to them*” (Jonah 3:5, 10). St. Paul also warns that “*the appointed time has grown very short*” (1 Cor. 7:29). Therefore, while we live in this world and deal with it, we are not to cling to it, nor put our trust in it, for “*the present form of this world is passing away*” (1 Cor. 7:31). Rather, give “*your undivided devotion to the Lord*” (1 Cor. 7:35). When our Lord Jesus Christ comes and is proclaimed in the Gospel, “*the time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand*” (Mark 1:14–15). Therefore, He still calls men and sends them to become “*fishers of men*” with the net of that Gospel (Mark 1:17).

### Offerings

We have multiple options for your gifts, tithes, and offerings. You can text CHRISTLCMS to 77977 to give via text message, or sign up for online giving at [pushpay.com/pay/christlcms](https://pushpay.com/pay/christlcms) for a one-time or recurring gift. Or, use the “My Church by PushPay” app, with keyword CHRISTLCMS. You may also mail your offering to the church office (3509 SW Burlingame Rd, Topeka, KS 66611). Direct links with more information are available on the church website ([christlcms.org/giving](https://christlcms.org/giving)).

## Stewardship Corner

*Budgeted Weekly Needs:* \$ 7,878

*Offerings Received – Week of 1/17* \$ 5,405

*Budgeted Needs (Jan-Dec 2020)* \$383,149

*Offerings Received (Jan-Dec 2020)* \$371,808

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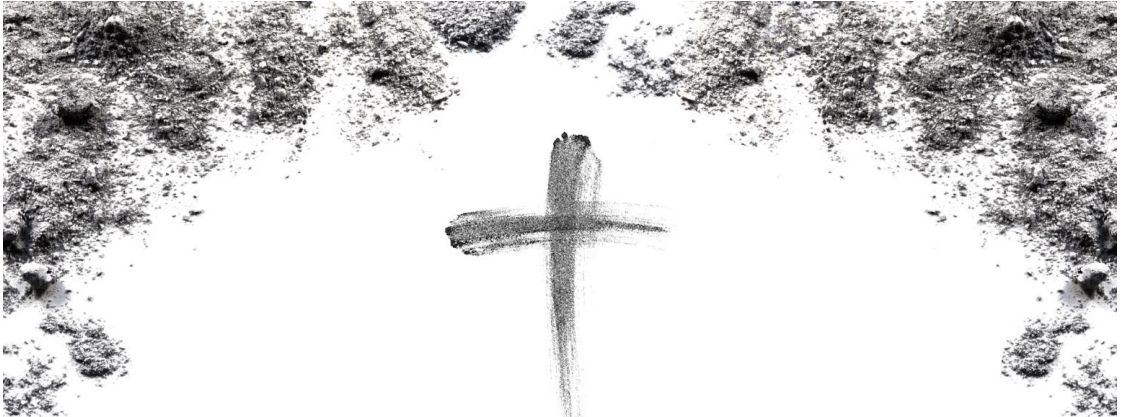
**Mark 1:14-15 – “... Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, ‘The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.’ ”** To repent means to turn away from sins and our former way of thinking and turn toward belief in God and His Gospel of grace and mercy. The whole Christian life is one of repentance and faith. Where is God calling you to repent today? How is He calling you to deeper faith?



# **SOUP-ER BOWL**

**DURING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY,  
WE WILL BE COLLECTING  
SOUP, CRACKERS, AND OTHER  
NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS  
FOR THE TOPEKA RESCUE MISSION.**

**YOU MAY LEAVE YOUR DONATIONS  
IN THE COFFEE LOBBY  
OR DROP THEM BY THE CHURCH OFFICE  
THROUGHOUT THE WEEK.**



# ASH WEDNESDAY

## FEBRUARY 17

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*15-minute Rite with Imposition of Ashes:*

**2:00 PM - 4:00 PM**

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*Full Worship Service including Imposition of Ashes:*

**6:00 PM**

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-- SIGN UP AT [CHRISTCMS.ORG](http://CHRISTCMS.ORG) --

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ASHES WILL BE APPLIED WITH A COTTON SWAB  
FOR SAFETY PURPOSES.