

*St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church*  
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*Sunday, June 25, 2023*  
*The Festival of the Presentation of the Augsburg Confession*

### **Service Notes:**

- The following psalms in the front of the hymnal (page 64f) will aid you in your meditation before receiving the Lord's Supper: Psalms 34, 42-43, 51, 84, 116, 150. Prayers for preparation for worship are on pages 10 and 11 in the hymnal. A form for preparation for Communion is on page 156.
- Guests, please sign the guest registry in the narthex.
- If you have a prayer request or would like Pastor Schaefer to visit or call you, please talk to him (734-658-5735).

**Holy Communion** will be celebrated today. Our guests are kindly asked to note that it is our practice to first become a member of our communion fellowship before communing with us. Please speak to our pastor about becoming a member of our communion fellowship.

### **ABOUT THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION**

By 1530, the Holy Roman Emperor Charles V had either defeated or made temporary peace with his enemies. Hence, he was finally able to turn his full attention to the religious issue that had plagued Germany since the Diet of Worms in 1521. Therefore, in January of 1530, the Emperor called an imperial Diet (the general assembly of the estates of the Holy Roman Empire) to meet in the German city of Augsburg in April of that year to decide the religious question.

As part of this imperial meeting, the Lutheran princes were asked to present their religious teachings. Wishing to present a unified front at the Diet, Martin Luther, Philipp Melanchthon, and several other Wittenberg reformers met at Torgau in March of the 1530 and drafted a confessional document which came to be known as the "Torgau Articles." Since Luther was still officially an outlaw under imperial law, he could not travel on to Augsburg to present these articles before the Emperor and the imperial Diet. Instead, a delegation led by Melanchthon traveled to Augsburg to present the confession of faith before the Emperor, while Luther remained at Coburg Castle. Once there, Melanchthon revised the articles drafted earlier at Torgau under the advice of a number of theologians and political leaders. The final draft was complete on June 23 and came to be known as the "Augsburg Confession." Luther was sent drafts of the revised document

as it was composed and approved the revisions and the final draft as well. Although the petition of the Lutheran princes to have the document publicly read was initially refused, the Emperor finally agreed. As a result, Melanchthon read the confession in the presence of the Emperor on June 25, 1530. For the full text, go to <http://www.splp.org/files/TrigBOC.pdf> and click on “Augsburg Confession” in the Table of Contents.

The Augsburg Confession is comprised of twenty-eight articles. Of these articles, twenty-one represent a positive presentation of the Christian faith as taught in the Lutheran Churches while the last seven articles cover suggested reforms of certain practices of the medieval Church. Although the ultimate aim of the Augsburg Confession was to summarize the main teachings of the Bible, Melanchthon also wished to emphasize the “catholic” (that is, meaning “universal,”) nature of Lutheran teaching. Throughout the confession, Melanchthon quotes or makes reference to the theologians and councils of the ancient Church to demonstrate the Lutheran Church’s continuity with early Christian teaching.

Showing the catholicity of Lutheran belief was important, because many Roman Catholic theologians had claimed that the Lutherans had broken with the traditional theology of the Church going all the way back to Christ and the apostles. Contrary to this charge, the Lutherans sought to show that their faith was not only drawn from Scripture, but had been the basic teachings of the Christian Church throughout the ages. It was only later that the medieval Church had corrupted the true faith through unbiblical and uncatholic innovations. This argument also carries over into the last seven articles that deal with reforms. With a few exceptions, most of the reforms proposed by Melanchthon involve rolling back changes that had been made to Church teaching and practice in the eleventh century by Pope Gregory the VII and his followers during a period often called the “Gregorian Revolution” by Church historians.

## **SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT**

**OPENING HYMN: #203** “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”  
Text: Martin Luther (1483-1546)

# 203 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in your Word; Curb those who  
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, your pow'r make known, For you are  
 3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and



by de - ceit or sword Would seek to o - ver - throw your  
 Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend your Chris - ten - dom that  
 u - ni - ty on earth. Sup - port us in our fi - nal



Son And to de - stroy what he has done.  
 we May sing your praise e - ter - nal - ly.  
 strife, And lead us out of death to life.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. composite.

Tune: ERHALT UNS, HERR (LM) Klug, *Geistliche Lieder zu Wittenberg*, Wittenberg, 1543, alt.

## STAND

**M:** The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

## CONFESSION OF SINS

**M:** God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

**C:** Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

**M:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

### LORD, HAVE MERCY (*Kyrie*)

**M:** For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



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

**M:** For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

**M:** For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

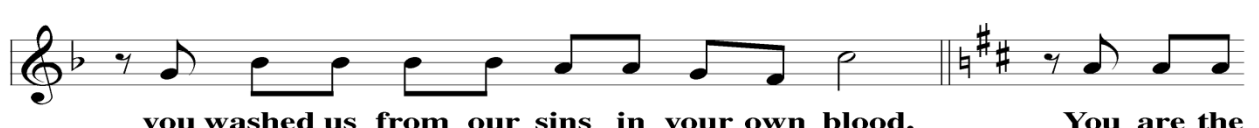
**M:** Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



C: A - men.

**M:** The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

# O LORD, OUR LORD



# PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray.

O Lord, favorably receive the prayers of your Church, that being instructed by the doctrine of the blessed apostles, we may always make a pure confession of your saving truth; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever



## BE SEATED



## THE WORD

### FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 55:6-11

“Seek the LORD while he may be found;  
call upon him while he is near;

<sup>7</sup> let the wicked forsake his way,  
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;

let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him,  
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

<sup>8</sup> For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD.

<sup>9</sup> For as the heavens are higher than the earth,



so are my ways higher than your ways  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

<sup>10</sup> “For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven  
and do not return there but water the earth,  
making it bring forth and sprout,  
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,  
<sup>11</sup> so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;  
it shall not return to me empty,  
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,  
and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

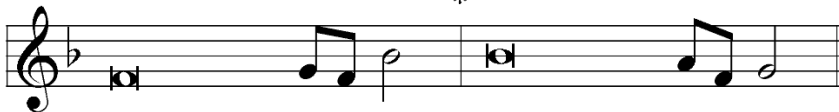
## PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 46

### *Refrain*



The might-y Lord is with us; the God of Ja-cob is our for-tress.

### *Psalm tone*



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God is our refuge and strength,\*  
an ever-present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way\*  
and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,

though its waters roar and foam\*  
and the mountains quake with their surging. ***Refrain***

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,\*  
the holy place where the Most High dwells.

God is within her, she will not fall;\*  
God will help her at break of day.

“Be still, and know that I am God;\*  
I will be exalted among the nations,  
I will be exalted in the earth.”

**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. *Refrain***

## **SECOND LESSON:** Romans 10:5-17

<sup>5</sup> For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. <sup>6</sup> But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) <sup>7</sup> “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). <sup>8</sup> But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup> because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup> For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup> For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup> For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup> For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

<sup>14</sup> How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? <sup>15</sup> And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” <sup>16</sup> But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” <sup>17</sup> So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

### **VERSE OF THE DAY** (spoken by the pastor)

Alleluia! Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. Alleluia!  
(John 8:31,32)

**STAND**

### **GOSPEL LESSON:** Matthew 10:32-39

<sup>32</sup> So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, <sup>33</sup> but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

<sup>34</sup> “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. <sup>35</sup> For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. <sup>36</sup> And a person's enemies will be those of his own household. <sup>37</sup> Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. <sup>38</sup> And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup> Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.



# HYMN OF THE DAY: #200 "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

Text and Tune: Martin Luther (1483-1546)



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, A trust - y shield  
2 With might of ours can naught be done; Soon were our loss  
3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill, All ea - ger to  
4 The Word they still shall let re - main, Nor an - y thanks



and weap - on; He helps us free from ev - 'ry need  
ef - fect - ed. But for us fights the val - iant one  
de - vour us, We trem - ble not, we fear no ill;  
have for it; He's by our side up - on the plain



That has us now o'er - tak - en. The old  
Whom God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask,  
They shall not o - ver - pow'r us. This world's  
With his good gifts and Spir - it. And do



e - vil foe Now means dead - ly woe;  
"Who is this?" Je - sus Christ it is,  
prince may still Scowl fierce as he will,  
what they will— Hate, steal, hurt, or kill—



Deep guile and great might Are his dread arms in fight;  
The al - might - y Lord. And there's no oth - er God;  
He can harm us none. He's judged; the deed is done!  
Though all may be gone, Our vic - to - ry is won;



On earth is not his e - qual.  
He holds the field for - ev - er.  
One lit - tle word can fell him.  
The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. composite.  
Tune: EIN FESTE BURG (87 87 55 56 7) Martin Luther, 1483–1546.

# **STAND**

## **NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son  
of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from  
true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from  
heaven,**

**was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin  
Mary,  
and became fully human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with  
the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and  
the dead,**

**and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,**

**who in unity with the Father and the Son is  
worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic  
Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness  
of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the (+) life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR THE FESTIVAL OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION**

(Based on Luther's prayer at the Diet of Worms [1521])

**M:** Almighty, eternal God! Out of the depths we call to you. The world opens its mouth to swallow your church, and our faith in you is too small to confront its lures and attractions!

**C:** **We confess the weakness of our sinful flesh. Satan deceives us daily. If we are to depend upon any strength from ourselves, all is lost. Help us, we beg, to withstand the ungodly way of life that the world has to offer.**

**M:** The work is not ours, O God, but yours. O Sovereign Lord and Creator, we have no way to satisfy your righteousness, nothing to contest the great Deceiver's earthly power, nothing to mute its false attractions, nothing to uproot the rule of our sinful flesh.

**C: We would gladly pass our days in happiness and peace in an age awash with iniquity. Hear us, heavenly Father, for the cause is yours. Yes, Creator of all that is, your cause is righteous and everlasting. Vindicate your name among the nations.**

**M: O all-seeing Lord, have mercy on your church. You understand our plight. We thank you for sending a messenger of peace to correct the times between life and death. This One is your Son, Jesus the Christ, the incarnate Savior, who saves us from calamities that plague your church.**

**C: You have chosen us to do your work. Therefore, O God, accomplish it by your will. Stand by your church each day in the name of Jesus, who is our shelter and shield, our mighty fortress. Through the strength of the Holy Spirit, such faith works joy and peace and willingness to serve a world in need.**

**M: We are even ready to lay down our life for this cause, as were your servants Martin Luther and his fellow Reformers and Confessors, who forcefully stormed the kingdom of heaven to restore the gospel of your righteousness to its central place in Christian life.**

**C: For the cause is holy. Though this world is filled with devils and though our bodies perish in persecution, your Word and your Spirit still remain. The church**

**always needs reform as its message encounters the false and frivolous. But the Word of God stands firm forever.**

**M:** In the confidence of faith, gracious Lord, bless our efforts to spread the gospel of the glory and grace of God throughout the world to the joy and edifying of all who hear and believe and for your glory and our good.

**C: Amen.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

**M:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

**M:** Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare. **C: Amen**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**C: Our Father who art in heaven.**

**M:** With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father.

**C: Hallowed be Thy name.**

**M:** God's name is certainly holy in itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept holy among us also. God's name



is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and we, as the children of God, also lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this, dear Father in heaven! But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God's Word profanes the name of God among us. Protect us from this, heavenly Father!

**C: Thy kingdom come.**

**M:** The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also. God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity.

**C: Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**P:** The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also. God's will is done when He breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God's name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die. This is His good and gracious will.

**C: Give us this day our daily bread.**

**M:** God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving. Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home,

land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

**C: And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**M:** We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

**C: And lead us not into temptation.**

**M:** God tempts no one. We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice. Although we are attacked by these things, we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory.

**C: But deliver us from evil.**

**M:** We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.

**C:** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**M:** This means that I should be certain that these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven, and are heard by Him; for He Himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Amen, amen means “yes, yes, it shall be so.”

### **BE SEATED**

*Please use this time for personal preparation or meditation before the Lord's Supper. A form to assist you is on page 156 in the front part of the hymnal.*

**NOTE:** Please be prepared to receive the host in your outstretched hand, rather than in your mouth.

### **STAND**



## **THE SACRAMENT**

**M:** The Lord be with you.



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

**M:** Lift up your hearts.



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

**M:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

**M:** Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing.

He protects and preserves his Church in every age and gives us confidence to lift up our heads and watch for Jesus with joy.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*Sanctus*)**

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.

The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.

I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -

va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.

The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

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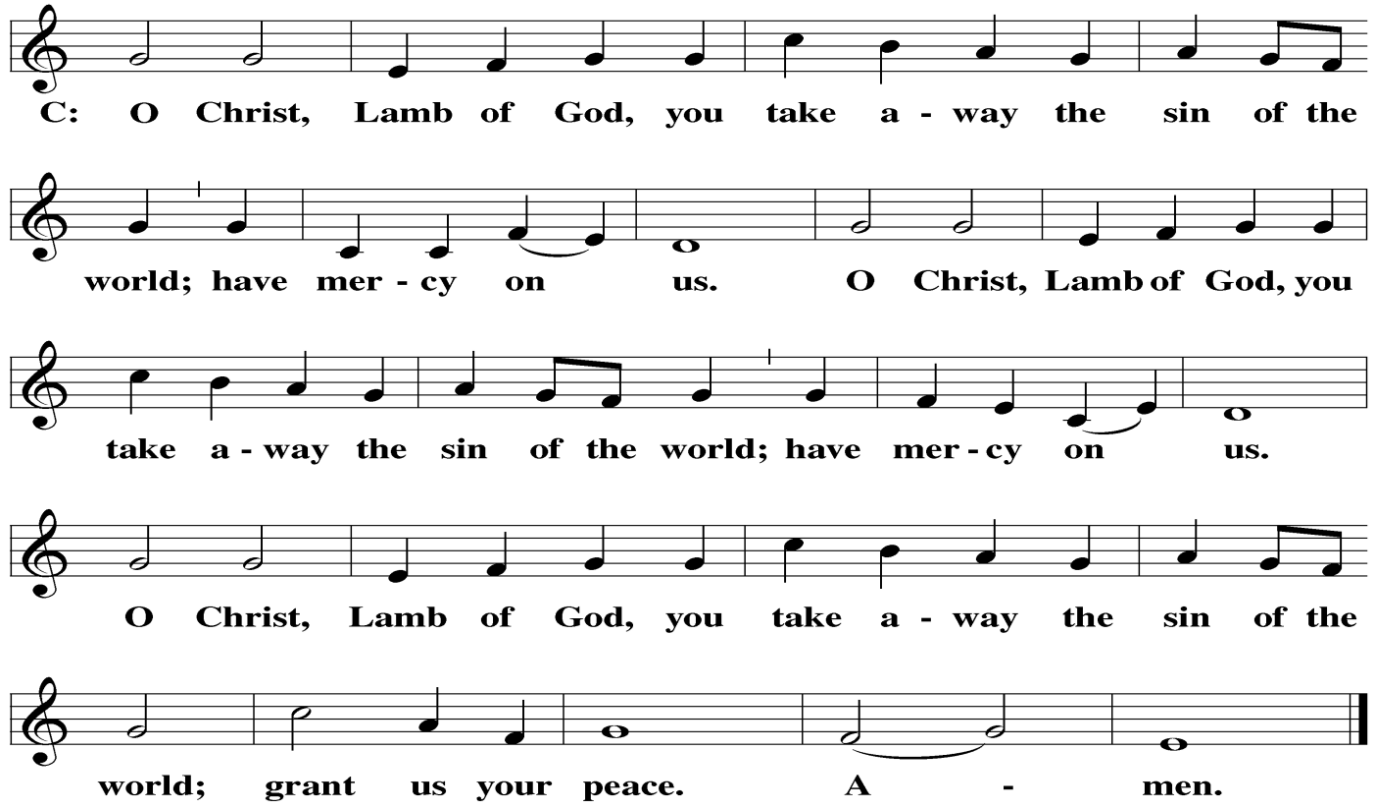
**M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is the new testament in my (+) blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

**M:** The peace (+) of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

# O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*Agnus Dei*)



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us your peace. A - men.

## BE SEATED

## DISTRIBUTION

**DISTRIBUTION ANTHEM:** “Long hast thou stood, O Church of God” Text and tune by N.F.S. Grundtvig and Ludvig M. Lindeman (1812-1887) Public Domain

Long hast thou stood, O Church of God, long mid the tempest’s assailing.  
Founded secure on timeless rock rises thy light never failing.  
Shining that all may understand what has been wrought by God’s  
command, O’er night and chaos prevailing.

“Let there be light!” and light was there, clear as the Word that declared it.  
Healing and peace to all it gave, who in humility shared it.  
Ah, they were faithful, they who heard: steadfast their trust in God’s great  
Word. Steadfast the truth that prepared it.

“Let there be light!” the Word shines forth, lo, where the new morning whitens.

O Church of God, with book unsealed, how its page beacons and brightens!  
Living stones we, each in his place; may we be worthy such a grace,  
While Truth the wide earth enlightens.

## DISTRIBUTION HYMN:

### #429 “What God Ordains Is Always Good” Text: Samuel Rodigast (1649-1708)



1 What God or - dains is al - ways good; His  
2 What God or - dains is al - ways good; He  
3 What God or - dains is al - ways good; He  
4 What God or - dains is al - ways good. Though  
5 What God or - dains is al - ways good; This



will is just and ho - ly. As he di - rects my  
nev - er will de - ceive me. He leads me in his  
is my friend and Fa - ther. He will not let me  
I the cup am drink - ing Which sa - vors now of  
truth re - mains un - shak - en. Though sor - row, need, or



life for me, I fol - low meek and low - ly. My  
right - eous way And nev - er will he leave me. I  
suf - fer harm Though man - y storms may gath - er. Now  
bit - ter - ness, I take it with - out shrink - ing. For  
death be mine, I shall not be for - sak - en. I



God in - deed In ev - 'ry need Knows well how he  
take con - tent What he has sent; His hand that sends  
I may know Both joy and woe; Some day I shall  
af - ter grief God grants re - lief, My heart with com -  
fear no harm, For with his arm He will em - brace



will shield me; To him, then, I will yield me.  
me sad - ness Will turn my tears to glad - ness.  
see clear - ly That he has loved me dear - ly.  
fort fill - ing And all my sor - row still - ing.  
and shield me; So to my God I yield me.

# THANKSGIVING

STAND

## THANK THE LORD



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-news 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!

**M:** Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.





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Communion Assistant: Mark Castellese

Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi

Soloist: Lois Bude

## THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service; -10:45 AM Lemonade on the Lawn

Monday through Thursday – 9:00 to 11:30 AM Vacation Bible School

Monday - 7:00 PM Divine Service

Tuesday – 7:00 PM Board of Elders Meeting

Wednesday – 9:30 AM Online Bible Class

Saturday – 12:00 PM Hope Christian Academy Carnival (see below)

Sunday - 9:30 AM Divine Service; -10:45 AM Lemonade on the Lawn

Monday - 7:00 PM Divine Service

Serving next week: Altar Guild – Chris Ward; Ushering – Team 1

Flowers are donated to the glory of God.

### **Hope Christian Academy Carnival - July 1 (12pm-4pm)**

Everyone is invited to this fun community event. Please consider bringing friends, family, neighbors, and anyone who might be interested in learning more about Hope Christian Academy. This free event is for all ages and will have games, food, and fun activities. We want more people in our community to know who we are and what we have to offer, so please help us by spreading the word.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** begins Monday, June 26 and continues through Thursday, June 29 (9:00 AM to 11:30 AM). It is for children age 3 (must be potty trained) through students entering 5th grade. Please preregister your child by sending name, birthdate, and grade they will be entering in the fall to Becky Lohrmann at [lohmannr@yahoo.com](mailto:lohmannr@yahoo.com). If you would like to help with VBS this year, please speak with Carol Schwartz, Chris Abbott or Becky Lohrmann.

**THANK YOU** to all who donated for the **SERVICE of LOVE** this year. Our church members, together with our Parents and Tots and Preschool programs and a donation from Thrivent, were able to donate several boxes of diapers and wipes, new and gently used clothes, toys, and a car seat. We also donated baby formula as well as other miscellaneous items. We filled an SUV with your generosity and delivered it to the Pregnancy Care Center earlier in June.

**PASTORAL CARE & MERCY** – Please remember with prayers, cards, and visits those whose needs have been reported.

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