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COMMUNION STATEMENT ~ *The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an Elder. For further study, see Matt. 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.*

PRELUDE: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Dietrich Buxtehude
(based on the LSB # 656)

OPENING HYMN: "All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall"

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1 All man - kind fell in Ad - am's fall; One com - mon
 2 Through all our pow'rs cor - rup - tion creeps And us in
 3 From hearts de - praved, to e - vil prone, Flow thoughts and
 4 But Christ, the sec - ond Ad - am, came To bear our



sin in - fects us all. From one to all the
 dread - ful bond - age keeps; In guilt we draw our
 deeds of sin a - lone; God's im - age lost, the
 sin and woe and shame, To be our life, our



curse de - scends, And o - ver all God's wrath im - pends.
 in - fant breath And reap its fruits of woe and death.
 dark - ened soul Seeks not nor finds its heav'n - ly goal.
 light, our way, Our on - ly hope, our on - ly stay.

- 5 As by one man all mankind fell
 And, born in sin, was doomed to hell,
 So by one Man, who took our place,
 We all were justified by grace.
- 6 We thank You, Christ; new life is ours,
 New light, new hope, new strength, new pow'rs.
 This grace our ev'ry way attend
 Until we reach our journey's end.

Stand

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

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

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P 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.

Stand

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

(Antiphon, Ps. 91:15-16; Ps. 91:1-2, 11)

When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in | trouble;*

I will rescue him and | honor him.

With long life I will sat- | isfy him*

and show him my sal- | vation.

He who dwells in the shelter of the | Most High*

will abide in the shadow of the Al- | mighty.

I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my | fortress,*
my God, in | whom I trust."

For he will command his angels con- | cerning you*
to guard you in | all your ways.

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.

When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in | trouble;*
 I will rescue him and | honor him.
 With long life I will sat- | isfy him*
 and show him my sal- | vation.

KYRIE

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1 Lord, _____ have mer - cy. Lord, _____ have mer - cy.
 2 Christ, _____ have mer - cy. Christ, _____ have mer - cy.
 3 Lord, _____ have mer - cy. Lord, _____ have mer - cy.



Lord, _____ have mer - - - cy.
 Christ, _____ have mer - - - cy.
 Lord, _____ have mer - - - cy.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.



G And with thy spir - it.

P O Lord, mercifully hear our prayer and stretch forth the right hand of Your majesty to defend us from those who rise up against us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



G A - men.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 3:1-21

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God actually say, ‘You shall not eat of any tree in the garden?’” And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.’” But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die. For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

To the woman he said, "I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you."

And to Adam he said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, 'You shall not eat of it,' cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life; thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Psalm 32

Blessèd is the one whose transgression is for- | given,*
whose sin is | covered.

**Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no in- | iquity,*
and in whose spirit there is | no deceit.**

For when I kept silent, my bones wast- | ed away*
through my groaning | all day long.

**For day and night your hand was heavy up- | on me;*
my strength was dried up as by the heat of | summer.**

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my in- | iquity;*

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the
iniquity | of my sin.

**Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you
| may be found;***

surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not | reach him.

You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from | trouble;*
you surround me with shouts of de- | liverance.

I will instruct you and teach you in the way | you should go;*

I will counsel you with my eye- | on you.

Be not like a horse or a mule, without under- | standing,*

which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay | near you.

Many are the sorrows of the | wicked,*

but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts | in the LORD.

Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O | righteous,*

and shout for joy, all you up- | right in heart!

EPISTLE

Romans 5:12-19

Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned—for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. If, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

VERSE sung by the choir

Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

HOLY GOSPEL **Matthew 4:1-11**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 4th chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. And the tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” But he answered, “It is written, “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.”” Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, “He will command his angels concerning you,” and “On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.”” Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’” Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. And he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” Then Jesus said to him, “Be gone, Satan! For it is written, “You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.”” Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



P Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

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.

Sit

CHILDREN’S SERMON

At this time, please give ushers your prayer request cards and fill out the Welcome Cards located in the back of each pew.

HYMN OF THE DAY: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

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1 A might - y for - tress is our God,
 2 With might of ours - can naught be done,
 3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill,
 4 The Word they still shall let re - main



A trust - y shield and weap - on;
 Soon were our loss ef - fect - ed;
 All ea - ger to de - vour us,
 Nor an - y thanks have for it;



He helps us free from ev - 'ry need
 But for us fights the val - iant One,
 We trem - ble not, we fear no ill;
 He's by our side up - on the plain



That hath us now o'er - tak - en.
 Whom God Him - self e - lect - ed.
 They shall not o - ver - pow'r us.
 With His good gifts and Spir - it.



The old e - vil foe Now means
 Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus
 This world's prince they may still Scowl fierce
 And take they our life, Goods, fame,



dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might
 Christ it is, Of Sab - a - oth Lord,
 as he will, He can harm us none.
 child, and wife, Though these all be gone,



Are his dread arms in fight; On earth
 And there's none oth - er God; He holds
 He's judged; the deed is done; One lit -
 Our vic - t'ry has been won; The King -



is not his e - qual.
 the field for - ev - er.
 tle word can fell him.
 dom ours re - main eth.

SERMON

VOTIVE

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

Stand

OFFERTORY

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

Sit

OFFERING

Bells: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Richard Gieseke

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE AND SANCTUS

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising you and saying:



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

P Blessed are You, Lord ... one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

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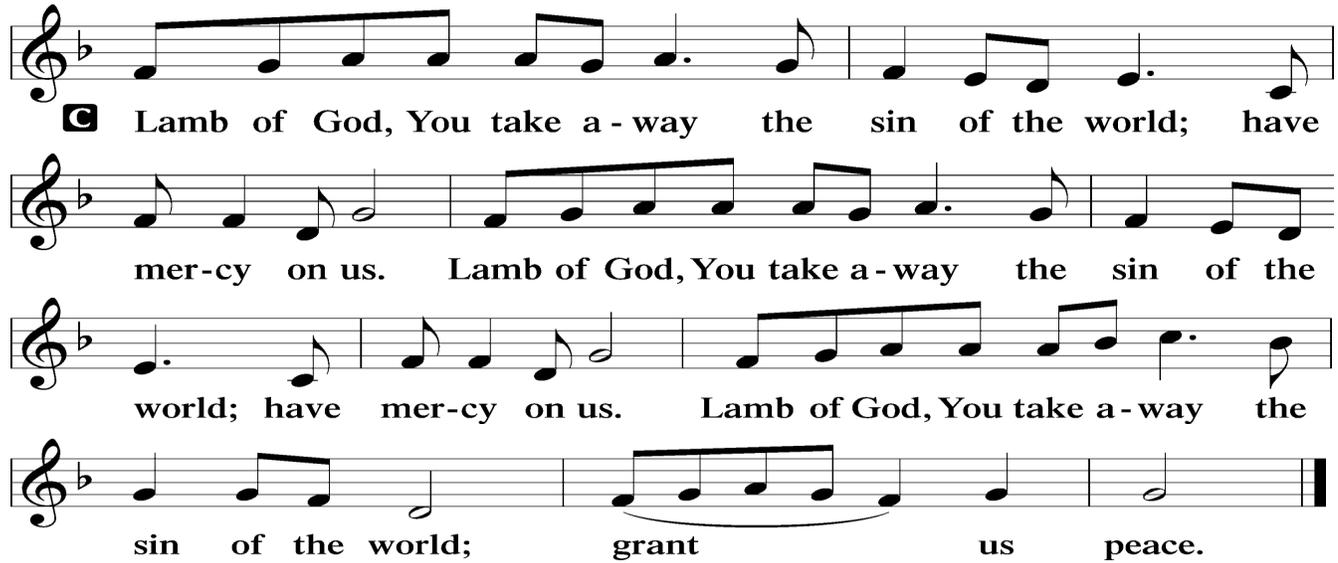
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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C A - men. 9

AGNUS DEI



☐ 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

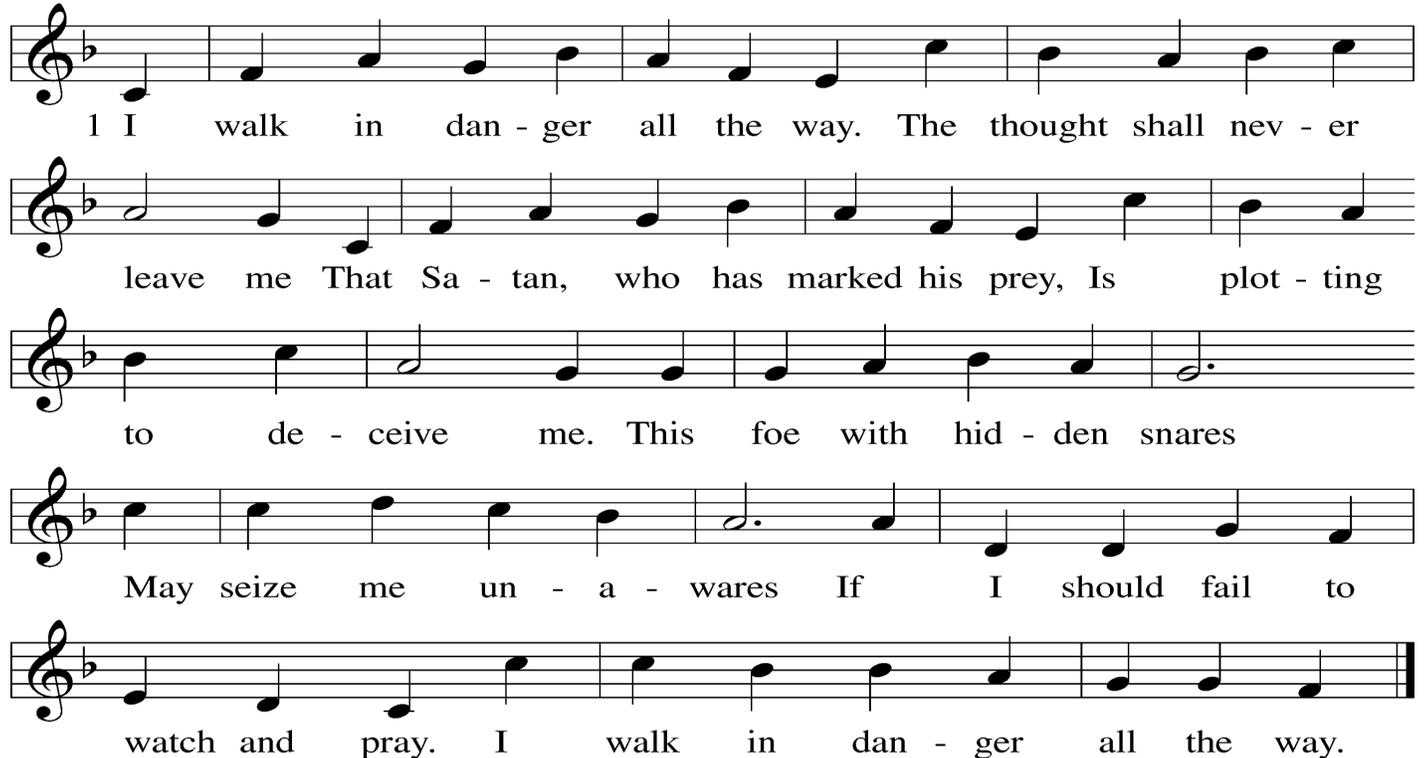
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HYMN: "I Walk in Danger All the Way"

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Choral settings by Kenneth T. Kosche

All:



1 I walk in dan - ger all the way. The thought shall nev - er
leave me That Sa - tan, who has marked his prey, Is plot - ting
to de - ceive me. This foe with hid - den snares
May seize me un - a - wares If I should fail to
watch and pray. I walk in dan - ger all the way.

Choir: 2 I pass through trials all the way,
With sin and ills contending;
In patience I must bear each day
The cross of God's own sending.
When in adversity
I know not where to flee,
When storms of woe my soul dismay,
I pass through trials all the way.

All: 3 And death pursues me all the way,
 Nowhere I rest securely;
 He comes by night, he comes by day,
 He takes his prey most surely.
 A failing breath, and I
 In death's strong grasp may lie
 To face eternity today
 As death pursues me all the way.

Choir: 4 *I walk with angels all the way,
 They shield me and befriend me;
 All Satan's pow'r is held at bay
 When heav'nly hosts attend me;
 They are my sure defense,
 All fear and sorrow, hence!
 Unharm'd by foes, do what they may,
 I walk with angels all the way.*

Choir: 5 *I walk with Jesus all the way,
 His guidance never fails me;
 Within His wounds I find a stay
 When Satan's pow'r assails me;
 And by His footsteps led,
 My path I safely tread.
 No evil leads my soul astray;
 I walk with Jesus all the way.*

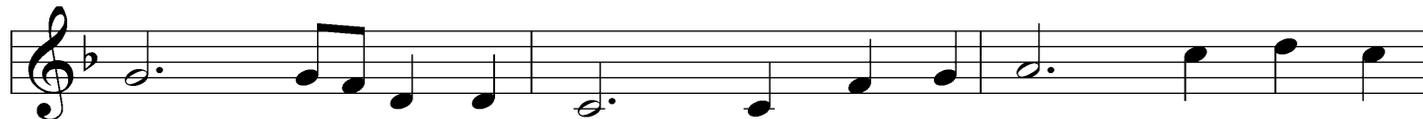
All: 6 My walk is heav'nward all the way;
 Await, my soul, the morrow,
 When God's good healing shall allay
 All suff'ring, sin, and sorrow.
 Then, worldly pomp, begone!
 To heav'n I now press on.
 For all the world I would not stay;
 My walk is heav'nward all the way.

HYMN: "The Tree of Life"

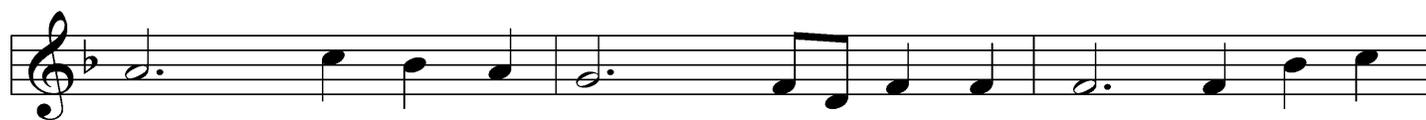
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1 The tree of life with ev - 'ry good In E - den's
 2 The still - ness of that sa - cred grove Was bro - ken,
 3 What mer - cy God showed to our race, A plan of
 4 Now from that tree of Je - sus' shame Flows life e -



ho - ly or - chard stood, And of its fruit so pure and
 as the ser - pent strove With tempt - ing voice Eve to be -
 res - cue by His grace: In send - ing One from wom - an's
 ter - nal in His name; For all who trust and will be -



sweet God let the man and wom - an eat. Yet in this
 guile And Ad - am too by sin de - file. O day of
 seed, The One to fill our great - est need— For on a
 lieve, Sal - va - tion's liv - ing fruit re - ceive. And of this



gar - den al - so grew An - oth - er tree, of which they
 sad - ness when the breath Of fear and dark - ness, doubt and
 tree up - lift - ed high His on - ly Son for sin would
 fruit so pure and sweet The Lord in - vites the world to



knew; Its love - ly limbs with fruit a -
 death, Its aw - ful poi - son first dis -
 die, Would drink the cup of scorn and
 eat, To find with - in this cross of



dorned A - gainst whose eat - ing God had warned.
 played With - in the world so new - ly made.
 dread To crush the an - cient ser - pent's head!
 wood The tree of life with ev - 'ry good.

HYMN: "Fight the Good Fight"

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1 Fight the good fight with all your might; Christ is your
 2 Run the straight race through God's good grace; Lift up your
 3 Cast care a - side, lean on your guide; His bound - less
 4 Faint not nor fear, His arms are near; He chang - es



strength, and Christ your right. Lay hold on life, and
 eyes, and seek His face. Life with its way be -
 mer - cy will pro - vide. Trust, and en - dur - ing
 not who holds you dear; On - ly be - lieve, and



it shall be Your joy and crown e - ter - nal - ly.
 fore us lies; Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.
 faith shall prove Christ is your life and Christ your love.
 you will see That Christ is all e - ter - nal - ly.



wounds I find, Ev - 'ry hour that I am feel - ing Pains of
 sin - ful mind, Draw me to Your cross and pas - sion, And new
 eas - y road, With se - duc - tive, sin - ful vi - ces, Let me
 is made whole; When I'm faint, Your cross re - vives me, Grant - ing



bod - y and of mind. Should some e - vil thought with - in
 cour - age I shall find. Or should Sa - tan press me hard,
 weigh the aw - ful load You were will - ing to en - dure.
 new life to my soul. Yes, Your com - fort ren - ders sweet



Tempt my treach-'rous heart to sin, Show the per - il, and from
 Let me then be on my guard, Say - ing, "Christ for me was
 Help me flee all thoughts im - pure And to mas - ter each temp -
 Ev - 'ry bit - ter cup I meet; For Your all - a - ton - ing



sin - ning Keep me from its first be - gin - ning.
 wound - ed," That the tempt - er flee con - found - ed.
 ta - tion, Calm in prayer and med - i - ta - tion.
 pas - sion Has pro - cured my soul's sal - va - tion.

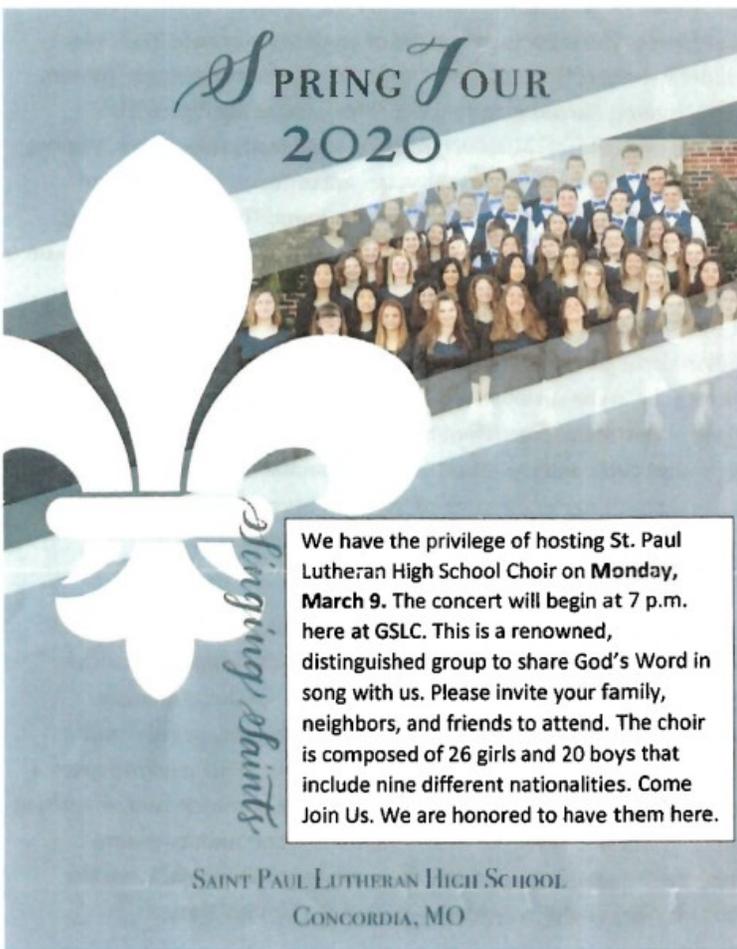
5 O my God, my rock and tower,
 Grant that in Your death I trust,
 Knowing death has lost its power
 Since You crushed it in the dust.
 Savior, let Your agony
 Ever help and comfort me;
 When I die be my protection,
 Light and life and resurrection.

POSTLUDE: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Johann Walther

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Good Shepherd Hosts St. Paul Lutheran High School Choir



Singing Saints

We have the privilege of hosting St. Paul Lutheran High School Choir on **Monday, March 9**. The concert will begin at 7 p.m. here at GSLC. This is a renowned, distinguished group to share God's Word in song with us. Please invite your family, neighbors, and friends to attend. The choir is composed of 26 girls and 20 boys that include nine different nationalities. Come Join Us. We are honored to have them here.

SAINT PAUL LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL
CONCORDIA, MO

The **SINGING SAINTS** is a 46-voice concert choir of Saint Paul Lutheran High School, Concordia, Missouri, under the direction of Dr. Jerrode Baker Marsh. The choir is comprised of students in grades 9-12, and includes members from, Ghana, Kenya, Botswana, Hong Kong, Taiwan, China, Norway, Slovakia, and Mexico. They will be performing in southern and central Missouri (Freistatt, Lockwood, Lake Ozark, Liberty, and Blue Springs), in Midwest City, OK, and in Texas, in the cities of Austin, Houston, Sugar Land and Flower Mound. The award-winning choir has toured annually since 1971 with over 1000 appearances in the United States, Canada, and Europe. They have also performed in the Kauffmann Center for the Performing Arts in Kansas City, and three times in Carnegie Hall, NYC. The choir made its first international concert tour in the summer of 2018, where it performed a 19-day tour, singing in Germany, Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia and Hungary. Both the concert choir and the elite 13-voice Chamber Choir consistently receives top ratings in the state of Missouri at contests and festivals, as do many individual members who compete in both vocal and instrumental solo entries.

The choir has a singular focus--that of proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ through music. It does this by singing a vast range of musical styles, including sacred Renaissance, German Chorales, American Spirituals, 19th-century motets, 20th century anthems, popular world music favorites and more. They sing an average of 30+ performances a season, including performances on their annual domestic tour, in nursing homes, in worship services, and for numerous community events. Students who graduate from the choir are selected regularly for top choirs in colleges and universities around the United States.

Please Join Us. You Don't Want to Miss This

Opportunity! You will be blessed in hearing these fine young women and men and their beautiful voices in sharing God's Word through their choral selections.

Thanks to many of you for sharing your hospitality in housing them for the night. We are most grateful! Good Shepherd is their only stop in Oklahoma. They will also be providing a mini-concert at GSLC on Tuesday at 8:45 a.m. for the students, patrons, as well as any others that would like to attend. Please join us. You are most welcome.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Tracy Morris (friend of the Roggow family) in heart hospital.

Mary Brasher (Sister of Rex Barker) passed away Saturday, February 22nd.

Whitney Perkins and Family (Friend of Sandi Wolfgram) were in a car accident, broke her leg and fighting an infection.

The Bradley Family (Friends of the Bresdal) daughter Shelly passed away last Saturday.

The Family of Sharan Kennedy (Friends of Basford Family and Marilyn Henderson) passed away this week from stage 4 cancer.



Our Sunday School children singing last Sunday.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

LWML

DISTRICT CONVENTION

*You are cordially invited to attend the LWML Oklahoma District Convention
April 17-18, 2020*

at the Hilton Garden Inn, Edmond, OK.

Servant activities begin Friday, 9 a.m. with convention convening at 1 p.m.

Jan Struck will be our Keynote Speaker. Be refreshed through the Word!

Worship, learn of missions abroad, and participate in servant activities with us.

Mark your calendar and plan to attend.

*You may fill out the registration form on our website: stjohnsmoore.life/church
then don't forget to print and mail it to the address on the form. Thank you.*

More Information at oklwml.org.

Bible Study: Deaconess Betty Knapp, who serves as VP of Special Focus Ministry, will be the Bible Study Leader at our LWML Oklahoma District Convention April 17-18, 2020 in Edmond. Leading the Bible study for convention on both days, you are sure to glean wisdom from God's Word through the eyes and heart of this deaconess. Join us at convention and hear the Word of God from this inspirational Bible study leader. Information at oklwml.org.

Special Mite Activity: Come Build a Mitey Bear to raise money for Mites. Purchase a bear for \$10, embellish it with items provided. The bears can be donated or taken home. During convention, mission grants for the next biennium will be selected. Join your LWML sisters at the LWML Oklahoma District Convention on April 17-18, 2020 in Edmond. Information at oklwml.org.

Servant Activities: At our LWML Oklahoma District Convention, April 17-18, 2020 we will have many servant activities to benefit others. We will assemble gift bags for the Garfield Advocacy Council, cut out aprons and bibs for nursing homes, produce Braille pages, tie fleece baby blankets and lap blankets. Come, join your LWML sisters as we work, laugh, and joyously prepare these mission gifts. See you Friday, April 17, at 9 a.m. in Edmond. Information at oklwml.org.

Gifts from the Heart: A question that many ask when preparing to attend LWML convention is how can I help? LWML Oklahoma District will be collecting the following items: Baby blankets, Walmart and Amazon Gift Cards for Pregnancy Resource Center, monetary donations to purchase CPH gift cards for Oklahoma District Seminary Students, and men's and women's sock and underwear (no white) and school supplies for the homeless. Join in, bring a friend, and come to LWML Oklahoma District Convention April 17-18, 2020, in Edmond. Information at oklwml.org.

Worship and Communion Service: Want to experience an opportunity to share praise and worship with Lutherans across the Oklahoma District? Come to the opening worship service of the LWML Oklahoma District Convention on April 17, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. The service will be held at Hilton Garden Inn, Edmond. Information at oklwml.org.

LWML Store: Come, shop at the LWML Store April 17-18 during the LWML Oklahoma District Convention 2020. Many items with the new logo are available. You'll be a walking witness for the Lord with LWML apparel and devotional products. Information at oklwml.org. See you there!



ATTENTION!

There will be a Special Voters Meeting, Sunday, March 22, 2020 following Sunday School/Adult Bible Class (approximately 11:30 AM).

Agenda items for the meeting are: a vote on the procedures for allocation of funds from the Wanda Van Gelder will; and election of a Financial Secretary to complete the term of Keith Wilson.

Thank you



Thank you Sunday School Children for singing God's praises last week you did an amazing job ! Also , thank you to my dedicated teachers - I am so truly blessed to have such faithful servants - and to our parents for their continued support.

*Blessings to all of you,
Kathleen*

PUBLISHING DEADLINE

Sunday Bulletin information & Newsletter Articles due Wednesdays at Noon.

Instead of just once a month, you may now send articles any week you would like and they will be included in the Sunday bulletin.

If possible please type and submit articles by email to Lacy Urban at: Lacy@stjohnsmoore.life

EMAILING ARTICLES HELPS TO ELIMINATE ERRORS.

THANK YOU



Save the Date for VBS

June 22nd - 25th from 6-8:30pm.

Watch the bulletin for more info

On behalf of the VBS team, we wanted to thank you all who have donated paper towel rolls for Vacation Bible School! We are excited to help the kids make some fun crafts with them!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Our School building is in need of some help! If you can spare some time it would be greatly appreciated! Here is a list of some of the work we need completed:

1. fixing front restroom toilet and checking all the others for needed replacements
2. replacing ceiling tiles
3. replacing light bulbs
4. moving furniture to attic
5. moving Christmas decor to attic
6. reorganizing chair and table storage
7. replacing water fountain filters
8. painting bathrooms
9. general repairs to coat racks, outlets, etc
10. replacing light bulbs in gym
11. finish the painting in the sensory room

Think you can help? Please contact someone on the School Board, or you may call the school directly.

Thank you!

Do you shop on amazon.com?

If so, the LWML Oklahoma District asks you to consider establishing a smile account to support the district's mite goal. Go to: smile.amazon.com

and establish your account. You will be asked which charitable organization you wish to support. Choose the LWML Oklahoma District with the address as Ponca City. Whenever you shop, log into your account through smile.amazon.com. Whenever you shop, 0.05% of the amount you spend will be donated to the LWML Oklahoma District. It's an easy way to contribute to the work of

Are you or someone you know looking for a babysitter?

Hello, my name is Grace Thieme!! I am Ryan Groh's fiancée! I just moved here and I will be here through the summer. If you ever need a babysitter, just give me a call or shoot me a text!!! I have worked at a preschool for the past three years, I am CPR certified, and I have experience babysitting all ages.

My number is
573-397-3529

Thank you so much!



LWML asks you to give them the t-shirt off your back

LWML's In As Much project for February will be to donate new or gently used t-shirts to Oklahoma City's City Rescue Mission. While mild weather has come in January, February and March are predicted to be colder months. Those who are homeless or spend extended time outside could use an extra layer of warmth. When summer hits, and less layers are needed, a t-shirt is just right on its own. Most of us have several t-shirts in a drawer that we rarely wear (perhaps forgot we owned) that could be an extra layer to someone else. LWML asks you to consider giving those who could use them the t-shirt off your back. T-shirts should be clean and free of stains, rips, or tears when donated. Place them in the baskets in the narthex. Thank you for your support of this important project.





Kitchen Project

We are needing approximately \$10K to complete the kitchen remodeling project. The additional funding will pay for a new stove, counter tops, exhaust hood, and hardware for the new kitchen cabinets. Please donate what you can to help us complete this project. Thank you for your support. We currently have \$1,744.45~*The Kitchen Committee*



ST. JOHN'S HEAT & AIR FUND

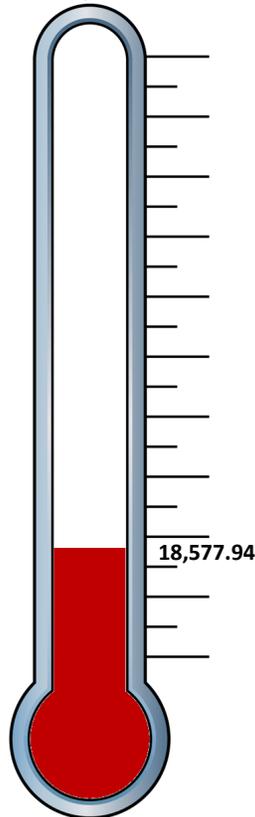
Several of our old heat and air units here at the church really need to be replaced as soon as possible, in order to do that \$61,300 will need to be collected and put into the heat and air fund. Considering we have about 125 active members, that would average to about \$500 per person. If you would like to donate please mark envelopes "St. John's heat & air fund"

Our current fund only has about \$18,577.94, but if systems don't get replaced soon that money will quickly get depleted as we pay to maintain our old heat & air units. Keep an eye on the bulletin for updates.

Please and Thank you!
~Ricco

GOAL!

\$61,300



We are hoping to update the Online directory! Please check and see if you need to update or add the following:

- Email address
- New phone number
- Address change
- New family members
- Family Photos

There are 2 ways to make updates happen. If you already have access to the online directory you can submit changes for approval online or you can email them to Lacy at:

Lacy@stjohnsmoore.life

If you are not sure if you have changes or additions to make and don't have access to the online directory there is a print out on the bulletin board. Thank you!

GET TO KNOW YOUR CHURCH FAMILY

Get Involved, Make a Difference.

Sunday School	Sundays, 9:15am	
Youth Group	Sundays, 9:15am	School
Handbell Choir	Mondays, 5:45pm	Sanctuary
Choir	Mondays, 6:45pm	Choir Loft
Tuesday Night Bible Class	Tuesdays, 6:00pm (we skip the 1st Tuesday of each month)	Blanchard Hall
Senior Saints	2nd & 4th Tuesday each month	Blanchard Hall
LWML	1st Tuesday of the month, 7:00pm	Blanchard Hall
Mission Board	2nd Tuesday each month, 7:00pm	Library
Quilters	Wednesdays, 9:00am-11:00am	Blanchard Hall
Wednesday Bible Study	Wednesdays, 11:00am	Sanctuary
In Christ Alone Bible Study	Thursdays, 7:00pm	Varies
Men's Bible Study	3rd Saturday every month, 08:00am	Blanchard Hall

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED OR WOULD LIKE TO LEARN MORE PLEASE REFER TO THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE WEST HALLWAY!



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

March 1st- March 8th

No Anniversaries

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

March 1st: Joshua Peck

March 3rd: Jaedan Bersche, Richard Conner, Pam Lee

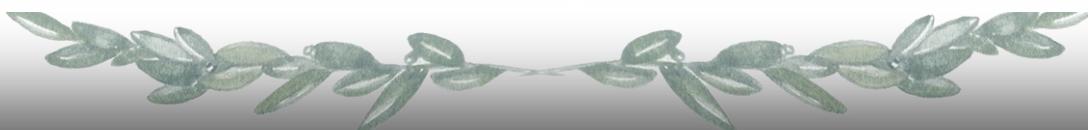
March 4th: Keith Wilson

March 5th: Adam Basford, Shirley Stillman, Dick Kortemeier

March 6th: Rachel Peck

March 7th: Shawna Wolfgram

March 8th: Carolyn Goldbeck





SCHOLARSHIPS

*And I heard the voice of the Lord saying,
"Whom shall I send,
and who will go for us?"
Then I said, "Here I am! Send me"
(Isaiah 6:8 ESV)*

Answering God's call is a weighty decision, especially when doing so means paying for education. To become a full-time church worker can be expensive. St. John's Lutheran Church has a scholarship fund available for members who plan to enter or are presently enrolled in an academic program leading to full-time church work. Scholarships are awarded annually prior to the start of the fall term. This year's application process will begin in March with a submission deadline of August 15. Scholarships will be awarded soon after that date. Scholarship amounts are completely dependent upon contributions from the members of St. John's Lutheran Church. Each year available funds will be divided equally between those who apply. Anyone who would like to contribute to the St. John's Church Worker Scholarship Fund is asked to write in the memo of their check prior to donating "Church Worker Scholarship Fund." Thank you for your financial support of our future church workers.



ATTENDANCE

Wednesday, February 19th

06:30pm: 18

Sunday, February 23rd

09:00am: 127

Children's Sunday School: 16

HAVING TROUBLE HEARING OUR WORSHIP SERVICE?

We have listening devices that will help you to concentrate on the worship service and also shut out surrounding noise distractions. If you would like to try one you may speak to Larry Urish, Beverly Eskew, or one of the Elders. They will be very happy to help you try a listening device at one of our worship services.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME

A cry room with speakers is provided in the back of the sanctuary during both services.

ALTAR FLOWERS

See the sign up sheet on the main bulletin board. You may purchase one or two vases at \$20 each. Just fill out the envelope, include your payment and the dedication, then drop it in the collection plate. If needed, there are temporary containers in the Sacristy for you to borrow so that you may take flowers home. However, please remember to bring back our flower containers so that we may reuse them. Thank you!

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

For the Week of March 1st, 2020 - March 8th, 2020

SUNDAY

February March 1st

Worship Service: Communion

09:00am, Sanctuary

Bible Study

Following the service

Young Adult Bible Study

Following the service

Children's Sunday School

10:15am-11:00am

MONDAY

March 2nd

Handbell Rehearsal

05:45pm, Sanctuary

Choir Rehearsal

06:45pm, Choir Loft

TUESDAY

March 3rd

Tuesday Night Bible Study

06:00pm, Library

SUNDAY

March 8th

Worship Service

09:00am, Sanctuary

Bible Study

Following the service

Young Adult Bible Study

Following the service

Children's Sunday School

10:15am-11:00am

ALTAR GUILD

*Wendy Bersche, Dawn Brouwer,
Kathleen Peck*

WEDNESDAY

March 4th

School Chapel

09:00am, School Gym

Quilters

09:00am-11:00am, Blanchard Hall

Bible Study

11:00am, Sanctuary

Worship Service

06:30pm, Sanctuary

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1st Sunday of the Month

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J. Groh, M. Mathews, C. Corey, S. Lake

2nd Sunday of the Month

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*M. Tolman, S. Frazier, C. Corey,
L. Urish, J. Olson, S. Christopher,
C. Karner*

3rd Sunday of the Month

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*J. O'Laughlin, R. Barker, B. Baird,
R. Brensdal, S. Reynolds, K.
Wilson, R. Malson*

4th Sunday of the Month

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*R. Picione, P. Shurow, G. Hinrichs,
L. Grummer, T. Kuter*

Floater

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R. Harpham & F. Reichert