

THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE - *“May Angels Bright be Near Me”* by J. S. Bach

HYMN 930 vs 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 - *we sing, standing*

OPENING DIALOG

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

This is the day which the Lord has made; **we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

From the rising of the sun to its setting, **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

Better is one day in Your courts **than a thousand elsewhere.**

Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
Teach me Your paths.

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.

GREETING, followed by PRAYER

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray. **Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

(please be seated)

FIRST LESSON *(bulletin back page)*

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

PSALM 18:1-6 - *we read in unison*

SECOND LESSON *(bulletin back page)*

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

page 156 - **ALLELUIA** - *we sing, standing*

GOSPEL *(bulletin back page)*

Before, all shout: Glory to you, O Lord!
After, all shout: Praise to you, O Christ!

HYMN 523 - *we sing, seated*

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

OFFERTORY - *we sing HYMN 715*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Response: **Hear our prayer!**

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

HYMN 817 vs 1, 2, 3, 6, 7 - *we sing, standing*

POSTLUDE - *“Rondo in G”* by J. Bull; arr. Simone



NEWS AND NOTES

Altar Flowers this morning are from Jim and Margie Mertz in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

This Week Here

Wed - 1:30PM - Bible Study (via zoom)

Last Week Here

Worshipping: 41 Offering: \$7,580

Baptism of Cora Jacqueline Swayner took place prior to this morning's service. Cora is the daughter of Lauren and Matthew Swayner and the grand-daughter of Paul and Trish Greenhalgh.

Reminder - the office is open every Thursday morning from 10:00 - 12:00 for those who want to pick up the following Sunday's bulletin and inserts, and/or drop off offerings.

Cheshire Food Pantry needs food donations more than ever as Covid-19 has decreased contributions. Items can be dropped off at the Pantry located at 175 Sandbank Road, Cheshire (call for hours) or monetary

donations may be mailed to Cheshire Community Food Pantry, P. O. Box 457, Cheshire or online at www.cheshirefoodpantry.org

Communion will be held here at CLC next Sunday. If you are watching our services online, you are welcome to drive to the parking lot entrance to the building where you will be able to receive communion between 10:30 and 11:30. Please let the office know if you plan to arrive by calling or emailing us by Thursday morning so that we may be prepared.

Attn! School kit supplies will **not** be collected this year. Keep your eyes open for a collection of health kit items in the future.

Little Cherubs Christian Preschool - there is still room to register for the 2020-2021 school year. If you, or someone you know, have a child who is preschool eligible, please call the church or preschool office for more information. A registration packet may also be picked up from the counter outside the church office. This is a great program with wonderful teachers - spread the word!

A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

Christ the Crucified Comes to Save Us by the Word of Faith - The Lord who *“laid the foundation of the earth”* (Job 38:4) is the Author and Giver of life who governs all things by His Word. His wisdom and power are beyond our understanding, except as He reveals Himself in the incarnate Word, Christ Jesus. He has *“entered into the springs of the sea”* and *“walked in the recesses of the deep”* (Job 38:16), and He draws near to us in mercy. We have been *“a long way from the land, beaten by the waves”* and tossed about by hostile winds (Matt. 14:24). In our mortality and sinful unbelief, we do not always recognize the Lord Jesus. But as we cry out in fear, He speaks tenderly to us, *“Do not be afraid,”* and He reaches out His hand to save us (Matt. 14:27, 31). *“Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved”* (Rom. 10:13), and now we call upon Him in faith, because we have heard *“through the word of Christ”* (Rom. 10:17). *“The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart”* (Rom. 10:8).