THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

"O Christ, Thou Lamb of God" tune Christ, du Lamm Gottes; setting Gerike

page 167 - CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

HYMN 435 - we sing, standing

page 168 - KYRIE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; 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 119:9-16 - we read responsively Men read odd numbered verses Women read even numbered verses

SECOND LESSON (bulletin back page)
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page 173 - VERSE FOR LENT - all standing

GOSPEL (bulletin back page) - all stand Before, all shout: Glory to you, O Lord! After, all shout: Praise to you, O Christ!

HYMN 430 vs 1, 2, 4, 7 - we sing, seated

SERMON

NICENE CREED - hymnal, last page all standing

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

all may kneel

Response: Hear our prayer!

OFFERTORY

10:30 - the Parish Choir sings "Canticle of Renewal" by Althouse text is version of Psalm 51

page 177 - SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

page 178 - SANCTUS

LORD'S PRAYER

page 179 - WORDS OF OUR LORD

SHARING OF PEACE

page 180 - AGNUS DEI

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT During the Distribution we sing HYMNS 624 & 628

All are invited to commune who have been baptized and instructed in the Faith; who repent of their sins; who are committed to Christ and to the mission of his church; and who believe with us that we receive and share our Savior's Body and Blood in, with, and under the bread and the wine of the Sacrament - as signs of his forgiveness and of our Christian family solidarity.

All who commune, kindly sign your names in our Communicant Register, which is located on the narthex shelf along side our Guest Register. page 182 - NUNC DIMITTIS - all standing

BENEDICTION

HYMN 857 - we sing, standing

POSTLUDE - "Pavan" by Wilson

NEWS AND NOTES

Last Sunday Here

Attending: 54 Offering: \$3,576

This Week Here

Today - 7:00PM - Confirmation Class Wed - 1:30PM - Adult Bible Study

- 6:10PM - Bell Choir

- 7:30PM - Lent 4 Service

- 8:15PM - Parish Choir

Thur -10:00AM - Open Office Hours Sat -12:00-2:00 - High School Pizza Lunch

Reserving a Seat for Maundy Thursday Holy Communion and Good Friday Ser-

vice will take place at the same time reservations are taken for Sunday morning services. Please call or visit us on Thursday mornings from 10:00 to 12:00 and specify which service(s) you would like to attend.

Easter Sunday: Please signup for our celebration to take place after our 8AM Easter ser-

vice. We would appreciate knowing early how many hope to attend. If you would like to join us but are not sure, please put your name down anyway. Also, we would love help setting up Saturday, April 3rd 11AM and cleaning up afterwards as well. If you are unable to sign up in person yet, feel free to contact Pam Clark, Aclark@snet.net with your desire to participate.

Hope Pregnancy Center Volunteer Needed - Ever wish you were more involved in the Pro-Life movement and aren't sure how? Have ideas you'd like to share? Are you a decision maker? Feel like you have to be hands on? Hope Pregnancy Center in Cheshire is currently seeking supporting individuals to be a Board of Directors member. This is a VOLUNTEER position. Please contact Julianna at 203-271-2703 for more information or for an application.

A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

In the Holy Sacraments, We Share the Glory of the Cross of Christ - Jesus catechizes His disciples in the way of the cross, revealing that He will be condemned and put to death "and after three days he will rise" (Mark 10:33–34). But the Twelve do not understand. Instead, they argue among themselves about who will be the greatest, with James and John requesting the places of honor on either side of Jesus in His glory. However, Jesus has come to make Himself the "slave of all" and "to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mark 10:43–45). He shares the true glory of His cross with all who are baptized with His Baptism and with those who drink His cup of salvation, the New Testament in His blood (Mark 10:39). By these Holy Sacraments, the Lord makes Himself known to all His people, forgiving their sins "from the least of them to the greatest" (Jer. 31:33–34). Though He is the very Son of God, "he learned obedience through what he suffered" and so became our great High Priest, that we may enter His glory by the way of His sacrifice (Heb. 5:8–10).