

THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE - "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" tune St. Agnes; arr. Darley

page 167 - **CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION**

HYMN 829 vs 1, 2, 3, 5 - we sing, standing

page 168 - **KYRIE**

page 171- **HYMN OF PRAISE**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

Let us pray. Almighty God, as Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, ascended into the heavens, so may we also ascend in heart and mind and continually dwell there with Him, 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!**

HYMN 705 vs 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 - Psalm 1
We sing, seated

SECOND LESSON *(bulletin back page)*

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

Page 173 - **ALLELUIA VERSE** - 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 493 vs 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 - we sing, seated

SERMON

NICENE CREED - hymnal, last page
all standing

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

all may kneel

Response: **Hear our prayer!**

OFFERTORY

we sing **HYMN 542**, seated

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 821 and 537**

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 - where He gives forgiveness and Christian unity.

All who commune, kindly sign your names in our Communicant Register, which is located on the narthex shelf along side our Guest Register.

page 181 - **POST COMMUNION CANTICLE** - all standing

page 183 - **BENEDICTION**

NEWS AND NOTES

Altar Flowers this morning are from Bill and Beth Soulier in honor of Beth's and Emily's birthdays.

Last Sunday Here

Attending: 64 Offering: \$5,826

This Week Here

Today - 7:00PM - Confirmation Class
Wed - 1:30PM - Adult Bible Study
Thur - 10:00AM - Open Office Hours

VBS will be held here July 19-23, 9:00-12:00. We need adult and youth volunteers to make this program a success - please sign up on the youth bulletin board located in the hallway. Questions? Contact Vicki DePaolo, Karen Smith, Tricia or Pastor Rowold.

Mark Your Calendars! Our church picnic will be held on **June 13**. Please sign up on

A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

The Ascended Lord Jesus Is with Us Always in His Church on Earth - After He rose from the dead, the Lord Jesus presented Himself alive to the apostles, "appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God" (Acts 1:3). When He ascended to the right hand of the Father, He did not orphan His Church, but He fills all things in heaven and on earth and gives gifts to His disciples. Even now, through His Church, He continues "to do and teach" (Acts 1:1), preaching "repentance for the forgiveness of sins" (Luke 24:47), even "to the end of the earth" (Acts 1:8). Though the cloud hid Jesus from the sight of His disciples then, and He remains hidden from sight even now, He remains with His people through His Gospel and Sacraments. He comes to us by the word of His apostles, by the promise of His Father and by the power of the Holy Spirit, whom He pours out upon "the church, which is his body" (Eph. 1:22-23). In this Holy Christian Church, we bless God and worship Christ with joy, for in His Church He blesses us with forgiveness, lifts us up in His hands and seats us with Himself "in the heavenly places" (Eph. 1:20).

HYMN 492 - we sing, standing

POSTLUDE - "Jesus Shall Reign" tune Duke Street; arr. Kraff

the bulletin board if you plan to attend. Please note that as guidelines for restrictions evolve, it may be necessary to change how we share our side dishes. We will keep you posted as to any changes in restrictions as we find out.

Food Pantry - No family should go without food and basic needs. Please assist local food pantries throughout and beyond our own community. Items should be deposited in the blue plastic containers located under the hallway counter.

Helping Hands - If you would like to volunteer as a member of the helping hands committee by making a meal or providing a ride for someone who is in need, please call Sally Schrumm so that we may call upon you when the need arises for your assistance.