

THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE - "Our Hearts in Christian Love"
by Mark Roberts

page 151 - **CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION**

HYMN 465 vs 1, 3, 4 - we sing, standing

page 152 - **KYRIE**

page 155- **HYMN OF PRAISE**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

Let us pray. O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; 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 150 - Men read odd numbered verses
Women read even numbered verses

SECOND LESSON *(bulletin back page)*

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Page 156 - **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 706 - we sing, seated

SERMON

NICENE CREED - hymnal, last page
all standing

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

all may kneel
Response: **Hear our prayer!**

PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

*During the gathering (10:30) the Parish
Choir sings "Hymn of Promise" by Natalie
Sleeth*

page 160 - **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

page 161 - **SANCTUS**

LORD'S PRAYER

page 179 - **WORDS OF OUR LORD**

SHARING OF PEACE

page 163 - **AGNUS DEI**

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

During the Distribution we sing HYMN 464

*All are invited to commune who have been
baptized and instructed in the Faith; who re-
pent 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 164 - **POST COMMUNION
CANTICLE** - all standing

page 166- **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

page 166 - **BENEDICTION**

HYMN 474 vs 1, 2, 3, 5 - we sing, standing

POSTLUDE - "Alleluia, Alleluia" tune Lux
Eoi; arr. Broughton

NEWS AND NOTES

Last Sunday Here

Attending: 50 Offering: \$2,117

This Week Here

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

Thank You for the beautiful music from the Bell and Parish Choirs throughout the year. Well done, good and faithful servants of Christ.

Summer Worship Music - summer is an excellent time for church members and friends to volunteer to provide music at our

services. Please contact Martha Medford, 203-481-6952.

Reminder - Since it is still mandatory for us to social distance during our services, it is important that you reserve a seat for Sunday services. Please call us to register on Thursday mornings between 10:00 and noon.

Little Cherubs Christian Preschool is now taking registration for the 2021-2022 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 or downloaded from our website.

A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

Jesus Christ Is the True Vine Who Bears Much Fruit in Us - "God is love," and He has manifested Himself to us by sending "his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him" (1 John 4:9, 16). By the ministry of the Gospel, "he has given us of his Spirit," so that we also believe and confess "that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh." In this way, we "abide in him and he in us," and we "love one another" (1 John 4:2, 7, 13). Such divine love is exemplified in Philip's preaching of "the good news about Jesus" to the Ethiopian eunuch. And when "they came to some water," the eunuch was baptized into the very Gospel that Philip had preached (Acts 8:35-38). That Ethiopian was thereby grafted into "the true vine," Jesus Christ (John 15:1), just as we are. Already we are clean because of the Word that Christ has spoken to us and by the washing of water with His Word. We now abide in Him by faith in His forgiveness. As He abides in us, both body and soul, with His own body and His blood, He "bears much fruit" in us (John 15:3-5).