THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE - "The Path of Jesus" by T. Merula

HYMN 589 - we sing, standing

INVOCATION

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

OPENING DIALOG

O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you made them all.

These all look to you, to give them their food in due season.

When you give it to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

When you send forth your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground.

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. Lord of all power and might, author and giver of all good things, graft into our hearts the love of Your name and nourish us with all goodness that we may love and serve our neighbor; 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 16

Pastor speaks odd numbered verses Congregation speaks even numbered verses

SECOND LESSON (bulletin back page)
This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

page 173 - ALLELUIA VERSE we sing, standing

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

HYMN 685 - we sing, seated

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED - hymnal, back cover

OFFERTORY

Congregation sings HYMN 769, seated

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH Response: **Hear our prayer!**

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

HYMN 698 - see insert; we sing, standing

POSTLUDE - "Glory and Honor" by Edmund Missa

NEWS AND NOTES

We Welcome Greg Gauvin, our pianist, this morning.

Please Join Us outside after service for fellowship and refreshments. Thank you to Pam Clark for serving this morning.

Last Sunday Here

Attending: 79 Offering: \$5,888

This Week Here

Thur -10:00 AM- Bulletin Pick Up

Lunch on the Lawn - join us this summer for fellowship. Bring a chair and your lunch and meet us by the columbarium (weather permitting). We will meet 12:00 starting tomorrow, June 27. The remaining dates that we will meet are July 11 & 25; August 15 & 29.

Refreshment Servers Needed! Please sign up on the bulletin board if you would like to serve refreshments following one or two of our summer worship services. Everything you need, including the <u>prepared</u> iced tea /

lemonade, will be in the kitchen.

VBS will be held here August 8 − 12. We need volunteers to make this a successful program. There are many areas that we need help in. Please sign up on the youth bulletin board located in the hallway. Some items we are in need of are: large cardboard boxes, plain white floppy paper plates, round toothpicks, 5-6 different colors of tissue paper. We would also like to borrow a small oneperson pop-up tent. Watch the bulletin board for a detailed list, coming in late May/early June.

VBS registrations are open to students age 4 through just having completed 6th grade. please pick up a packet from the hallway counter or go on our website, www.cheshirelutheran.org to register for VBS, August 8 - 12. The deadline for registration is this Friday, July 1.

Food Contributions collected this month totaled 116 lbs and was brought to the food pantry. Thank you to all who contributed!

A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

Christ's Messengers Proclaim His Kingdom - When the prophet Elijah became discouraged and despaired of his life, "the word of the LORD came to him" (1 Kings 19:9b) and stood him "on the mount before the LORD" (1 Kings 19:11). The Lord made Himself known to the prophet — not in the impressive power of gale force winds, or in an earthquake, or in the fire, but in "the sound of a low whisper" (1 Kings 19:12). Today God reveals Himself to us through the frail preaching of the Gospel. The Son of Man sends "messengers ahead of him ... to make preparations for him" (Luke 9:52). Putting their hand to that plow of preaching, they "go and proclaim the kingdom of God," and they do not look back (Luke 9:60, 62). What they preach is not the power of the Law with its "yoke of slavery," but the power of God unto salvation through the Gospel of forgiveness, by which "Christ has set us free" (Gal. 5:1).