THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE - "Jesus, My Redeemer" tune by McGranahan; arr. Ritter

HYMN 796 - we all 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. O Lord, grant us wisdom to recognize the treasures You have stored up for us in heaven, that we may never despair but always rejoice and be thankful for the riches of Your grace; 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 100 -** we read in unison

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 782 - we all sing, seated

SERMON

HYMN 732, st 1 & 5 & 6 - all sing, standing

APOSTLES' CREED - hymnal, back cover

OFFERTORY

"Battle Hymn of the Republic" by Howe and Steffe; Susan Harris, Clarinet, Stan Harris, Guitar Congregation may sing refrain: "Glory, glory Hallelujah! Glory, glory Hallelujah! Glory, glory Hallelujah! His truth is marching on"

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

all may kneel Response: Hear our prayer!

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

HYMN 861 - we all sing, standing

POSTLUDE - *"Minuet in D" by Francois Couperin*

NEWS AND NOTES

Please Join Us outside after service for fellowship and refreshments. Serving this morning are Carol and Alan Santoro.

Last Sunday Here Attending: 64 Offering: \$2,447

This Week Here

Thur -10:00 AM- Bulletin Pick Up

Battle Hymn - one of our favorite verses in the Battle Hymn we sing this morning is:

"In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,

With a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me.

As He died to make men holy, let us die to make men free! While God is marching on."

Refreshment Server Needed next Sunday,

August 7- Please sign up on the bulletin board if you would like to serve refreshments following the service on Aug 7. 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.

Orphan Grain Train School Kits - we are collecting school supplies needed to complete 50 school kits. The collection will take place through August 21st. A poster with tags of items needed is located in the narthex. Your donations can be placed in the bins located under the counter nearest to the library entrance. Cash donations directed for this purpose can be placed in the red box on the counter above the bins. These funds will be used for purchasing items needed to complete the 50 kits or you can request that your donation be directed toward the shipping costs. Thank you, Nancy Engelhardt, Social Welfare Deacon

Food items collected and delivered to the food pantry this month totaled 58 lbs (includes 13 salad dressings) plus \$200 in food gift cards. Thank you to all who contributed!

A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

Faith in Christ Is Rich Toward God - To live for earthly things "*is vanity and a striving after wind,*" and work that is driven by such vanity "*is an unhappy business*" (Eccl. 1:13–14). The man who lives like that has nothing to show for "*all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the sun … all his days are full of sorrow*" (Eccl. 2:22–23). So, too, your "*covetousness, which is idolatry*" (Col. 3:5), makes a god out of that which cannot give you life or happiness. For "*one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions*" (Luke 12:15). But "*Christ who is your life*" (Col. 3:4), in giving you Himself, gives you all the wealth of heaven. Instead of striving to lay up treasures for yourself, be "*rich toward God*" in Him (Luke 12:21).