#### THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

**PRELUDE -** "Jerusalem, My Happy Home" tune Land of Rest; arr. James Mansfield

page 167 - CONFESSION and ABSOLU TION

HYMN 915 - 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. O Lord, You have called us to enter Your kingdom through the narrow door. Guide us by Yor Word and Spirit, and lead us now and always into the feast of Your Son, Jesus Christ, 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 50:1-15**

Pastor reads odd numbered verses Congregation reads even numbered verses

SECOND LESSON (bulletin back page)
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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 526** - we sing, seated

### **SERMON**

**NICENE CREED** - hymnal, last page all standing

### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

all may kneel

Response: Hear our prayer!

#### **OFFERTORY**

"Seek Ye First" by Lafferty; arr with "To a Wild Rose" by Macdowell by Ramey Susan Harris, Clarinet soloist

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 667 and 588

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** 

**HYMN 648 -** we sing, standing

**POSTLUDE** - "Sing Forth to the Lord" by David Paxton

### NEWS AND NOTES

**Please Join Us** outside after service for fellowship and refreshments. Thank you to Karen and Tim Weiland for serving this morning.

**Last Sunday Here** 

Attending: 62 Offering: \$4,837

This Week Here

Mon -12:00 PM - Lunch on the Lawn

Mark Your Calendar! Our 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday Services schedule resumes on September 11.

Attention Council and Voters! A Council meeting is scheduled to be held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 6. A Voters' meeting is scheduled to be held after the 10:30 service on Sunday, September 11.

Volunteers Needed this morning after service. If you have the time, we could use your help returning furniture and other items that were removed from Little Cherubs last Sunday back into the classroom. Thank you in advance!

Sunday School Rally Day will be held on September 11. Everyone is welcome to attend. There will be music, prayer, trivia and food. Sunday School classes will resume on September 18.

Lunch on the Lawn - join us tomorrow at noon for our last Lunch on the Lawn. Bring a chair and your lunch and meet us by the columbarium (weather permitting).

Sunday Morning Coffee Hour - Join us for fellowship between the services starting September 11. If you are willing, and can serve some mornings by setting up and cleaning up, please sign up on the bulletin board. Your help would be greatly appreciated! Baked goods are always welcome and may be brought in at any time and placed in the freezer to be enjoyed when needed. Questions? Please contact Pam Clark

**Book Case** needed! Little Cherubs preschool is looking for a book case. If anyone has one that they are looking to find a new home for, please contact JoAnn 203-272-1150 or the church office, 203-272-5106.

# A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

The Cross of Christ Is the Way into the Kingdom of God - With the cross of Christ, the time has come "to gather all nations and tongues" (Is. 66:18). The sign of the cross is set forth in the preaching of the Gospel, the declaration of the Lord's glory "among the nations" (Is. 66:19). Many "will come from east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God" (Luke 13:29), but only by the narrow way of the cross. Those who refuse to follow Christ crucified will ultimately find only "weeping and gnashing of teeth" (Luke 13:28), whereas Christ's disciples, called from all the nations, will eat and drink with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of God. They will come into "the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem" (Heb. 12:22).