

THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE - “*Jesus Brings Light and Life*”
by Rex Koury.

HYMN 686 - *we sing, standing*

page 260 - **OPENING VERSICLES**
(COMMON) - *we say, responsively*

page 261 - **OLD TESTAMENT CANTICLE** - *we sing together*

(please be seated)

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

PSALM 119:169-176 - *Pulpit side speaks the odd verses and Font side speaks the even.*

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

HYMN 952 - ALLELUIA II - *we sing, standing*

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

page 263 - **RESPONSORY (COMMON)** -
we say responsively, between Pastor and the People

page 264 - **CATECHISM** - *we say together the Ten Commandments, the Apostles' Creed, and the Lord's Prayer.*

HYMN 709 - *we sing, seated*

SERMON

OFFERTORY - “*Allegro*” from *Sonata in F*
by G. Handel; Ruth Del Vecchio, flute soloist.

INSTALLATION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

(please stand)

page 265 - **PRAYERS**
for initial petitions
Response: **Lord, have mercy.**

for final petition
Response: **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Lord Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd, without whom nothing is secure. Rescue and preserve us that we may not be lost forever but follow You, rejoicing in the way that leads to eternal life; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

page 265 - **COLLECT FOR THE WORD**

page 266 - **MORNING PRAYER** - *we pray together*

page 266 - **NEW TESTAMENT CANTICLE** - *we sing together*

page 267 - **BLESSING**

POSTLUDE - “*Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior*” tune by Doane, arr. by Dale Wood.

NEWS AND NOTES

Altar Flowers this morning are from Mertz family to the Glory of God's creation!!

Please Join Us after the 8 AM service for fellowship and coffee. Thank you to Karen Bailey for serving this morning!

Last Sunday Here

Attending: 97 Offering: \$7,794

This Week Here

Wed - 1:30 PM - Bible Study
- 7:00 PM - Bell Choir
- 7:45 PM - Parish Choir

Orphan Grain Train School Kits -

Thank you to everyone collecting items for the hygiene kits. In an effort to be a bit more organized, there is a board in the hallway outside the Fellowship Hall with post it notes on it. As you purchase the item, please grab a post it and place it along with you items into the bins under the counter. We have a goal of collecting 30 kits. We will be collecting items until the end of September.

Thank you to all who made our participation in the **Cheshire Fall Festival** possible!!

In **Sunday School** today we will study God's covenant with Abram in “A Sign and a Promise.” God reassures Abram of His promise to bless the earth through Abram's offspring. God changes his name from Abram (“exalted father”) to Abraham (“father of many nations”) and institutes circumcision as the sign of His continued covenant with Abraham. Despite Abraham and Sarah's advanced age, God promises they will have a son of their own.

Quarterly Offering Statements are on the hallway counter. Thank you for picking yours up this morning if you have not already.



A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

Jesus Christ Is the Great Shepherd of His Sheep “The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners” (1 Tim. 1:15). As He had mercy on Paul, in order to “display his perfect patience” (1 Tim. 1:16), so also does He seek out His sheep “from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness” (Ezek. 34:12). To deliver His flock, He “will seek the lost, ... bring back the strayed, ... bind up the injured, and ... strengthen the weak” (Ezek. 34:16), and “they shall no longer be a prey” (Ezek. 34:22). He sets over them one great Good Shepherd, the Son of David, who “shall feed them and be their shepherd” (Ezek. 34:23). For Christ Jesus is the one man who, “having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them,” would “leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it” (Luke 15:4). When He finds the lost one and brings it home rejoicing, “the angels of God” and all the company of heaven rejoice with Him, with great joy (Luke 15:7, 10).