

THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE - 8:00 - “*When Morning Guilds the Skies*” tune *Laudes Domini*, setting by Dale Wodd 10:30 - Bell Choir plays “*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*” tune *Hymn to Joy*, arr. by Lloyd Larson.

HYMN 549 v 1, 3, 6 & 7 - we sing, standing

INVOCATION

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

DIALOG

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; **for His steadfast love endures forever.**

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon His name; **make known God's deeds among the peoples!**

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; **I will recount all of Your wonderful deeds.**

I will bless the Lord at all times; **His praise shall continually be in my mouth.**

Oh, magnify the Lord with me, **and let us exalt His name together!**

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 Jesus Christ, You reign among us by the preaching of Your cross. Forgive Your people their offenses that we, being governed by Your bountiful**

goodness, may enter at last into Your eternal paradise; for You live and reign with the Father 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 46 - *Pulpit side speaks Odd verses and the Font side speaks Even 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 say: Glory to you, O Lord!

After, all say: Praise to you, O Christ!

HYMN 761 - we sing, seated

SERMON

APOSTLES’ CREED - *hymnal, back cover all standing*

OFFERTORY - *During the gathering (8:00) the Bell Choir plays “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” tune Hymn to Joy; arr. by Lloyd Larson, or (10:30) “When Morning Guilds the Skies” tune Laudus Domini, setting by Dale Wodd.*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Response: **Hear our prayer!**

LORD’S PRAYER

COLLECT

8:00 – **Farewell and Godspeed**
to Pam & Andy Clark

BENEDICTION

Last Sunday Here

Attending: 101 Offering: \$4,193.65

This Week Here

Wed - 6:30 PM - Bell Choir
 - 7:00 PM - Parish Choir
 - 7:30 PM - Thanksgiving Eve Service

Advent Jubilee Lunch is on Dec. 7th!
Sign up is on the bulletin board.

Altar Flowers this morning are given by Ed and Nancy Schweizer in celebration of their 43rd wedding anniversary.

Today is PLEDGE SUNDAY - please pick up your packet this morning and kindly please return your pledge to the church by December 14th. Your pledge will assist CLC in planning and meeting our financial obligations. Thank you!

A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

Jesus Christ Reigns, Enduring the Cross — Its Scorn and Shame The Lord Jesus reigns in love among those who are baptized in His name. “*They shall be mine,*” He says, “*and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him*” (Mal. 3:17). Jesus’ service through crucifixion for sinful men anchors us in new life. In the proclamation of His Son, God makes His justice clear, defining “*the distinction between the righteous and the wicked*” (Mal. 3:18). He truly is “*the King of the Jews*” (Luke 23:38), who governs His Church with all authority in heaven and on earth. He has come into His kingdom by His cross, and He graciously remembers us in paradise. Therefore, do not weep for Him, but with repentant faith “*weep for yourselves and for your children*” (Luke 23:28). Then the mountains and hills of Jerusalem, His holy Church, shall cover you with His righteousness and peace. For He “*is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation*” (Col. 1:15). “*All things were created through him and for him*” (Col. 1:16), and “*all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell*” bodily in Him, reconciling all things to Himself “*by the blood of his cross*” (Col. 1:19–20).

HYMN 837 v 1, 2, 4, 5, & 6 - we sing, standing

POSTLUDE - “*March*” by Handel.

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE Join us at 7:30 PM and remember to bring a loaf of bread for the loaf exchange.

The **SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT** will be on Sunday, **December 14th**, during the 10:30 AM service.

Sunday School - “The Passover Promise” is this week’s lesson about God’s establishment of the Passover. God, through Moses, threatens one final plague—worse than any previously experienced. Following God’s instructions, the Israelites make careful preparations for the Passover, marking their doorposts with the blood of a lamb prepared for the feast. The final plague takes place at midnight as all the firstborn throughout Egypt die. The Egyptians hand over their valuables, hastening the Israelites away.