

THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE - “*Christ Who is my Life*” by Johann Christoph Bach (8:00) or the Bell Choir plays “*Amazing Grace*” tune American Melody, setting by Wilson & Weck (10:30).

HYMN 657 - we sing, standing

INVOCATION

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

OPENING DIALOG

I will speak of your testimonies before kings,
O Lord, and shall not be put to shame.

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

My soul makes its boast in the Lord; **let the humble hear and be glad.**

Come, O children, listen to me; **I will teach you the fear of the Lord.**

The Lord redeems the life of his servants;
none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

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. **Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; 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 46 - *Pulpit side speaks the odd verses and the Font side even verses.*

SECOND LESSON *(bulletin back page)*

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

page 173 - **ALLELUIA** - *all standing*

GOSPEL *(bulletin back page)*

Before, all shout: Glory to you, O Lord!
After, all shout: Praise to you, O Christ!

HYMN 566 vs 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6 - we sing, seated

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED - *hymnal, last page all standing*

OFFERTORY

The Bell Choir plays “Amazing Grace” (8:00), or the organ anthem “Christ Who is my Life” (10:30).

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Response: **Hear our prayer!**

LORD'S PRAYER

COLLECT

BENEDICTION

HYMN 924 - we sing, standing

POSTLUDE - “*In Thee is Gladness*” tune In Dir Ist Freude, setting by T. Beck.

NEWS AND NOTES

Please join us after the 8 AM service for fellowship and coffee. Our Coffee Hour hosts are always appreciated and there are still open spots on the sign-up sheet. Pick a Sunday and host one.

Last Sunday Here

Attending: 108 Offering: \$8,365.88

THIS WEEK HERE

Tues - 6:30 PM - Book Club
Wed - 1:30 PM - Bible Study
- 7:00 PM - Bell Choir
- 7:45 PM - Parish Choir

Quarterly Offering Statements are on the hallway counter. Please remember to pick yours up today. Thank you..

Daylight Savings time ends next Sunday. Remember to set your clocks back one hour before going to bed on Saturday..

An **Informational Meeting** is scheduled for Sunday, November 8th after the late service in the Fellowship Hall (immediately preceding the Voters' Meeting). Proposed changes to the Bylaws of the Cheshire Evangelical

Lutheran Church will be presented. All members of the congregation are invited to attend in person or by Zoom – questions and/or comments are encouraged.

Organ Recital—In honor of the 65th Anniversary of the building of our Schlicker Pipe Organ, there will be an Organ recital on Sunday, **November 22** at 4:00 p.m. The public is invited and this is a free concert. The organist, Jacob Gruss, is a graduate of The Juilliard School in Manhattan, and is currently pursuing his Master of Music degree at the Yale School of Music.

Sunday School - The account of Jesus clearing the temple serves as today's lesson, “A Temple Cleansing.” Merchants and money-changers fill the outer courts of the temple in preparation for the Passover. Jesus overturns the tables and drives out the animals in His zeal to restore the temple to its proper purpose. When the Jews question His authority, Jesus tells them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up” (John 2:19). Only after His resurrection do the disciples realize that Jesus was referring to His body as the new temple.

A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

The Son of God Has Set Us Free from Sin and Death by His Grace “*Wisdom is justified by her deeds*” (Matt. 11:19), and the true Wisdom of God, Christ Jesus, the incarnate Son, justifies us by His deeds. He prepares His way by the preaching of repentance, but He has suffered the violence of the Law and voluntarily handed Himself over to violent men, that we might eat and drink with Him in His kingdom and “*remain in the house forever*” (John 8:35). For He is “*a friend of tax collectors and sinners*” (Matt. 11:19), and He has rescued us by His grace from the slavery of sin and death. By the proclamation of His eternal Gospel “*to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people*” (Rev. 14:6), “*the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law*” (Rom. 3:21), “*that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus*” (Rom. 3:26). And by hearing the Gospel of Christ Jesus, “*whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith*” (Rom. 3:25), “*you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free*” (John 8:32).