

Grow ... Go ... Gather

May 30, 2021



THREE IN ONE

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(LCMS)**

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Holy Trinity Sunday

The Order of Service (DS 2 p. 167ff.)

(Please turn off your wifi)

Preservice Music, Call to Worship and Welcome

The Opening Hymn: LSB 507 "Holy, Holy, Holy"



1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore Thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide Thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee;
Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
Though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see,
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!
Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,
On - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
Which wert and art and ev - er - more shalt be.
Per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

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Invocation

LSB 167

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

Exhortation

LSB 167

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive
ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Confession of Sins

LSB 167

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Absolution

LSB 167

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

The Introit: Psalm 16:8–11

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity.

C: Let us give glory to him because he has

shown his mercy to us.

P: I have set the LORD always before me;

C: Because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

P: Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure.

C: For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption.

P: You make known to me the path of life;

C: In your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

ALL: 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.

P: Blessèd be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity.

C: Let us give glory to him because he has shown his mercy to us.

The Kyrie (spoken)

LSB 168

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen.

This is the Feast

LSB 171



A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



C Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to



God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

This is the feast of vic-tory for our God,
 for the Lamb who was slain has be-gun His reign.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Salutation and Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

The Old Testament Lesson: *Isaiah 6:1–8*

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
 the whole earth is full of his glory!”

And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."

And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

The Gradual

ALL: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable. On your wondrous works, I will meditate, and I will declare your greatness.

The Second Reading: *Acts 2:14a, 22–36*

Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, . . .

"Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know— this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. For David says concerning him,

"I saw the Lord always before me,

for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken;
therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;

my flesh also will dwell in hope.
For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One see corruption.
You have made known to me the paths of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your
presence.'

"Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,

"The Lord said to my Lord,
Sit at my right hand,
until I make your enemies your footstool.'

Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The Alleluia and Verse

LSB 173

**ALL: Alleluia. Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of
hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!
Alleluia.**

The Holy Gospel: *John 3:1–17*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.

G **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of

Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

The Hymn of the Day: LSB 506 “Glory Be to God the Father”



1 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to
2 Glo - ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each
3 Glo - ry to the King of an - gels, Glo - ry to the
4 Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal! Thus the choir of



God the Son, Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it:
spot and stain; Glo - ry be to Him who bought us,
Church's King, Glo - ry to the King of na - tions;
an - gels sings; Hon - or, rich - es, pow'r, do - min - ion!



Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,
Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo - ry,
Heav'n and earth, your prais - es bring! Glo - ry,
Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings. Glo - ry,



glo - ry While e - ter - nal a - ges run!
glo - ry To the Lamb that once was slain!
glo - ry To the King of glo - ry sing!
glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of kings!

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The Sermon

Confessing our Belief in the Holy Trinity: LSB 953, "We All Believe in One True God"



1 We all be-lieve in one true God, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,
2 We all be-lieve in Je - sus Christ, Son of God and Mar - y's son,
3 We all con-fess the Ho - ly Ghost, Who from both in truth pro-ceeds,



Ev - er - pres - ent help in need, Praised by all the heav'n - ly host;
Who de - scend - ed from His throne And for us sal - va - tion won;
Who sus - tains and com - forts us In all tri - als, fears, and needs.



All He made His love en-folds, All cre - a - tion He up-holds.
By whose cross and death are we Res - cued from all mis - er - y.
Bless - ed, ho - ly Trin - i - ty, Praise for - ev - er be to Thee!

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The Offering and Offering Prayer (We sing)

A Hymn: "Free Amen"

Intro

Amen amen amen

Amen amen amen

Verse 1

Hope falling down like rain

Love that I can't explain

Peace that stills my soul

Light in the darkest place

Life even in the pain

It feels like coming home

Chorus

Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is freedom

I am free amen

Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is freedom

I am free amen

Verse 2

Here I'm alive again
Gone is the weight of sin
Oh sweet liberty
Praise God
Who saved my life
I'm bought with the blood of Christ
I have been redeemed **(Chorus 2 Xs)**

Bridge

Free at last
Free at last
Thank God almighty
I am free at last
All my chains
Are in the past
Thank God Almighty
I am free at last **(repeat Bridge 3 Xs) (Chorus)**

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The Prayer of the Church, and the Lord's Prayer

- ☐ Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom
come, Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven; give us this day our
daily bread; and forgive us our
trespasses as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

A Hymn: LSB 940, "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"



1 Ho - ly God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we
 2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn An - gel choirs a -
 3 Lo, the a - pos - tles' ho - ly train Join Thy sa - cred
 4 Thou art King of Glo - ry, Christ; Son of God, yet
 △ 5 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



bow be - fore Thee. All on earth Thy scep - ter claim,
 bove are rais - ing; Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
 name to hal - low; Proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
 born of Mar - y. For us sin - ners sac - ri - ficed,
 three we name Thee; Though in es - sence on - ly one,



All in heav'n a - bove a - dore Thee. In - fi - nite Thy
 In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, Fill the heav'ns with
 And the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low, And from morn to
 As to death a Trib - u - tar - y, First to break the
 Un - di - vid - ed God we claim Thee And, a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is Thy reign.
 sweet ac - cord: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!
 set of sun Through the Church the song goes on.
 bars of death, Thou hast o - pened heav'n to faith.
 bend the knee While we own the mys - ter - y.

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Announcements and Dismissal of Online Worshippers

✠ The Service of Holy Communion ✠



Preface

LSB 177

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Proper Preface

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, who with Your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit are one God, one Lord. In the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in person and the Unity in substance, of majesty coequal. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

Sanctus

LSB 178

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The image shows a musical score for the Sanctus. It consists of five staves of music in a treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a square icon containing the letter 'C'. The music is written in a simple, clear style with notes and rests clearly visible.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✝ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✝ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Proclamation of Christ

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment.

Pax Domini

LSB 180

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

LSB 180



C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of



God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

The Distribution (During the Distribution we will sing, "Behold, the Lamb of God" (Townend) and LSB 628, "Your Table I Approach")

Hymn: "Behold, the Lamb of God"

Verse 1

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away
Slain for us and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith
Find forgiveness at the cross
So we share in this Bread of Life
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of peace
Around the table of the King

Verse 2

The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ
Torn for you eat and remember
The wounds that heal the death that brings us life
Paid the price to make us one
So we share in this Bread of Life
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love
Around the table of the King

Verse 3

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin
Shed for you drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in
To receive the life of God
So we share in this Bread of Life
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of grace
Around the table of the King

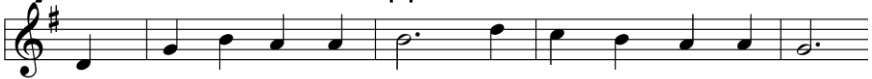
Verse 4

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise
To respond and to remember

Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
 As His body here on earth
 As we share in His suffering
 We proclaim Christ will come again
 And we'll join in the feast of heaven
 Around the table of the King

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Hymn: "Your Table I Approach" LSB 628



1 Your ta - ble I ap - proach; Dear Sav - ior, hear my prayer.
 2 Lord, I con - fess my sins And mourn their wretch - ed bands;
 3 Your bod - y and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me,
 4 Search not how this takes place, This won - drous mys - ter - y;



Let not an un - re - pen - tant heart Prove hurt - ful to me there.
 A con - trite heart is sure to find For - give - ness at Your hands.
 Are tak - en at Your ta - ble, Lord, In blest re - al - i - ty.
 God can ac - com - plish vast - ly more Than what we think could be.

5 O grant, most blessèd Lord,
 That earth and hell combined
 May not about this sacrament
 Raise doubt within my mind.

6 Oh, may I never fail
 To thank You day and night
 For Your true body and true blood,
 O God, my peace and light.

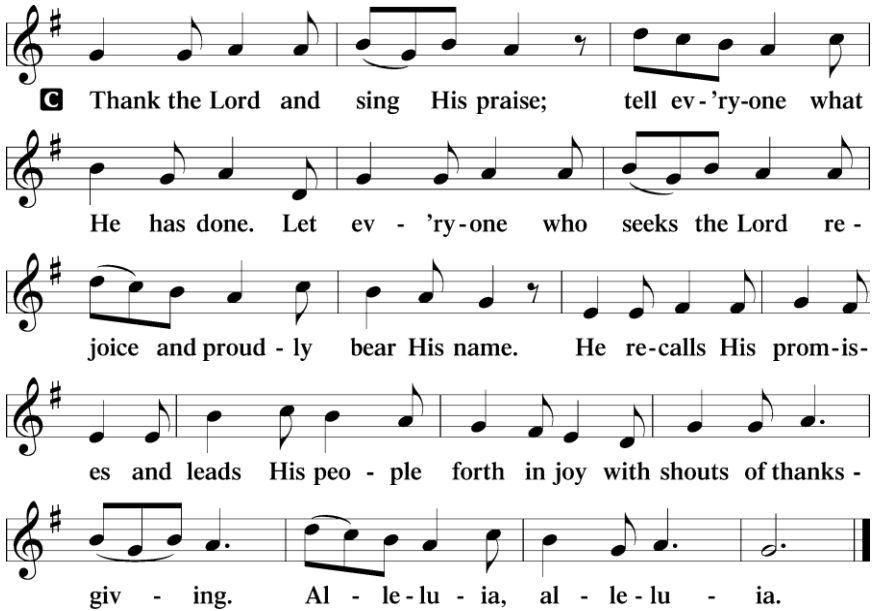
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The Dismissal of the Communicants LSB 181

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace.

C **Amen.**

The Post-Communion Canticle: *LSB 181*



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what
He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -
joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-
es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Benediction

LSB 183

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and
be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and
✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

The Closing Hymn: LSB 504, "Father, Most Holy"



1 Fa - ther most ho - ly, mer - ci - ful, and ten - der; Je - sus, our
2 Trin - i - ty bless - ed, u - ni - ty un - shak - en, Good - ness un -
3 Mak - er of all things, all Thy crea - tures praise Thee; All for Thy
△ 4 Lord God Al - might - y, un - to Thee be glo - ry, One in three

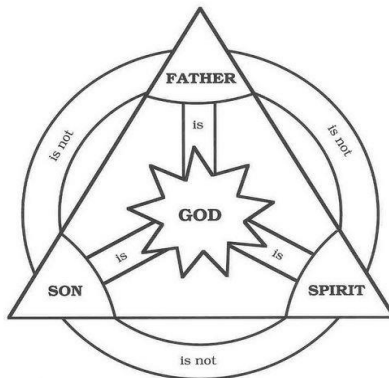


Sav - ior, with the Fa - ther reign - ing; Spir - it of com - fort,
bound - ed, ver - y God of heav - en, Light of the an - gels,
wor - ship were and are cre - at - ed; Now, as we al - so
per - sons, o - ver all ex - alt - ed! Glo - ry we of - fer,



ad - vo - cate, de - fend - er, Light nev - er wan - ing;
joy of those for - sak - en, Hope of all liv - ing,
wor - ship Thee de - vout - ly, Hear Thou our voic - es.
praise Thee and a - dore Thee, Now and for - ev - er.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Events of the Week: May 30 – June 6

TODAY: 11:00 a.m. Bible study on Facebook

11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour (outside)

Registration is open for June 6 Worship

Wed: Noon: Devotional Boost with Pastor

10:00 a.m. Bible Study w/ Darrell at church

7:30 p.m. Pastor's Ephesians Bible Class on Zoom

Thursday: 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Ephesians Bible Class on Zoom

Friday: Pastor's Day off

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Gizmo Devotions on FB

9:30 a.m. COMMUNION at St. James and on Facebook Live

11:00 a.m. Bible Study on Facebook

NOTE: No Monday Evening Worship on the 31st.

Those who serve Today:

Deacons: Jerry Talen and Bryan Ensing

Ushers: Walt & Karen Kryzanowski

Those who serve June 6:

Deacons: Craig Popma and Bryan Ensing

Ushers: Jim & Nancy Spears

May Altar Guild: Rie Wiles

June Altar Guild: Karen Swanson

FINANCIAL DISCIPLESHIP: May 23, 2021

General Fund \$2,850.00

Roof Repair Fund 30.00

Memorial (Brennan Heldt) 25.00

Memorial (Sandy Ryke) 265.00

Total: \$3,170.00



Do you have musical talent you would like to share with St. James Lutheran? We are always looking for special music for our worship service. Playing

preservice or communion music, singing in a small group or as a soloist, accompanying the congregational hymns, helping to lead the congregation in learning newer hymns...we would love to have you join us in our worship service! If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Beth McKay at 304-5536.

COFFEE HOURS ARE BACK!



Fellowship Hour

Our Friends in Faith sponsored Coffee Hours will be weekly outside the main entryway doors after the worship service (weather permitting). The individually wrapped treats, coffee, juice and water will be ready for you!

Questions? Contact Walt or Dale.

The **National LWML Convention** ingathering items:

(Items should be **new**)



Baby toiletries, *Baby bath towels*, Wash cloth, Burp cloths, *baby wipes*, Crib sheets, *Laundry baskets (small or collapsible)*, Disposable diapers size 3, *Clothing for sizes Newborn to 12 months*, Diaper bags, *Toys: teething rings, rattles*, Small first Christian books. Gift cards in denominations of \$10, \$20, and \$25 for Walmart or Target. Old eyeglasses, too!

There is a **donation box** by the office or contact Cindy, Marjie or Grace by **June 10th** if you need your donation picked up.

SECOND BEST SALE

August 26th-28th

Thursday, 9:00am-4:00pm

Friday, 9:00am-4:00pm

Saturday, 9:00am-Noon

Friends in Faith is having a Second Best Sale **DROP-OFF** day on **Saturday, August 21, 9-2pm**, at church. Start collecting your donations. **We cannot accept mattresses, box springs, analog (tube type TVs), nursery furniture, medical items or any items that are not in good condition.** Please bring large items August 21st due to the inability to store them. We also ask that clothing be clean and gently used. Thank you.

Contact Walt Kryzanowski (970-7407) or Dale Rosema (262-1390) if you would like to bring your items to the church prior to August 21st.

Set-up for the Sale will begin on Sunday, August 22.

VOLUNTEERS will be needed to set-up for the sale, sort & price items, assist during the Sale and clean-up on Saturday.

It's a great time! Join us!





How Might We Respond to the Challenges to our Christian Values and Beliefs?

We are looking to start a group to discuss and learn how to stand up for our faith in a culture that is increasingly becoming more hostile towards our Christian values and beliefs. This group is for people who have had questions like the following:

- How political should the church be?
- What is critical race theory and why is it unbiblical?
- How do we respond when mandated by our employer to think and behave in ways that are contrary to biblical truth?
- How do we counteract the moral decline of America?
- How have Christians stood up to tyranny in the past and present?
- How should Christians respond to the racially charged messages being pushed?
- What do Lutherans believe about the rapture and end times prophecy?
- ...and more.

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