

We Grow ... We Go ... We Gather

All Scripture is God-breathed
and is useful for teaching,
rebuking, correcting and
training in righteousness, so
that the man of God may be
thoroughly equipped for
every good work.

2 Timothy 3:16-17



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**The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 16, 2022**

Divine Service 3 (p. 184ff in LSB)

The Preservice Music, Call to Worship, and Welcome

The Hymn of Invocation: "Here I am to Worship/Light of the World" (Hughes)

Verse 1

Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made
This heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

Chorus

*So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me*

Verse 2

King of all days
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor **(Chorus)**

Bridge

And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross **(Chorus)**

The Invocation, Confession and Absolution

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**
- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C** **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Kneel/Sit. Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**
- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the

name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Psalm 121; antiphon: vv. 1–2



- 1 I lift up my eyes | to the hills.*
From where does my | help come?
- 2 My help comes | from the LORD,*
who made | heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your | foot be moved;*
he who keeps you will not | slumber.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps | Israel*
will neither slum- | ber nor sleep.
- 5 The LORD is your | keeper;*
the LORD is your shade on your | right hand.
- 6 The sun shall not strike | you by day,*
nor the | moon by night.
- 7 The LORD will keep you from all | evil;*
he will | keep your life.
- 8 The LORD will keep
your going out and your | coming in*
from this time forth and for- | evermore.

Service of the Word

The Gloria Patri



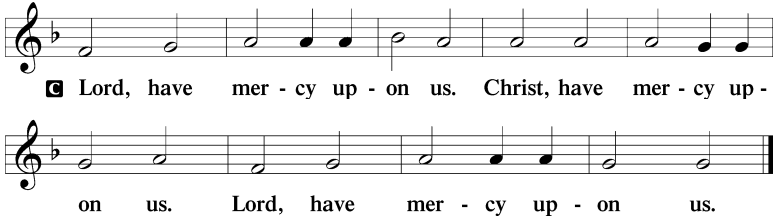
C Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

Kyrie

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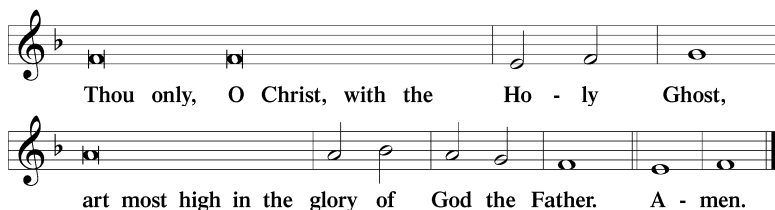
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

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Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -
on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.



The Prayer of the Day

P O Lord, almighty and everlasting God, You have commanded us to pray and have promised to hear us. Mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may direct and govern our hearts in all things that we may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of Your name; 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 Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 32:22–30

²²The same night [Jacob] arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. ²⁴And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day has broken." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." ²⁷And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then he said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the name of the

place Peniel, saying, “For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Lesson: 2 Timothy 3:14—4:5

¹⁴As for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work. ¹I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: ²preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. ⁵As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia

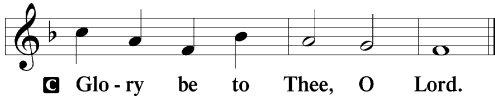
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C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

The Gospel Lesson: Luke 18:1–8

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighteenth chapter.



¹[Jesus] told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. ²He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. ³And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Give me justice against my adversary.’ ⁴For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, ‘Though I neither fear God nor respect man, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.’” ⁶And the Lord said, “Hear what the unrighteous judge says. ⁷And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? ⁸I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The Hymn of the Day: 730 “What Is the World to Me”



When You, and You a - lone, Lord Je - sus, are my trea - sure!
 Yet nev - er once re - flects That they are frail and flight - y.
 Yet nev - er is con - tent Though gold should fill its cof - fers.
 My life, my health, my wealth, My friend, my love, my plea - sure,

You on - ly, dear - est Lord, My soul's de - light shall be;
 But what I tru - ly prize A - bove all things is He,
 I have a high - er good, Con - tent with it I'll be:
 My joy, my crown, my all, My bliss e - ter - nal - ly.

You are my peace, my rest. What is the world to me!
 My Je - sus, He a - lone. What is the world to me!
 My Je - sus is my wealth. What is the world to me!
 Once more, then, I de - clare: What is the world to me!

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The Sermon (*Children, ages 3-8, are invited to participate in KIDZ Time during Pastor's sermon. They will return following his message.*)

The Offertory


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C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Offering (*Please sign the burgundy Friendship booklet and pass it to other people sitting in your pew. When completed, pass it back to the center aisle and be sure to greet the people next to you! Those sitting*

by the center aisle: please tear off the completed sheet and place it on the pew. Thank you!)

A Hymn: 976 "Give Me Jesus"



1 In the morn - ing when I rise, In the morn - ing when I rise,
2 Dark mid - night was my cry, Dark mid - night was my cry,
3 Just a - bout the break of day, Just a - bout the break of day,
4 Oh, when I come to die, Oh, when I come to die,
5 And when I want to sing, And when I want to sing,




In the morn - ing when I rise, Give me Je - sus.
Dark mid - night was my cry, Give me Je - sus.
Just a - bout the break of day, Give me Je - sus.
Oh, when I come to die, Give me Je - sus.
And when I want to sing, Give me Je - sus.

Refrain



Give me Je - sus, Give me Je - sus.



You may have all the rest, Give me Je - sus.

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The Prayer of the Church & The Lord's Prayer

A Hymn: "The Blessing" (Brown, Carnes, Jobi)

Verse

The Lord bless you
And keep you
Make his face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn his
Face toward you
And give you peace (2Xs)

Chorus

Amen
Amen

Amen (2Xs)

Verse

The Lord bless you
And keep you
Make his face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn his
Face toward you
And give you peace

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The Announcements and Blessing

+Service of the Sacrament+

Preface

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P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

The musical notation consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It contains a melody starting on a whole note G4, followed by a half note G4, a quarter note G4, a quarter note G4, a half note G4, and a whole note G4. The bottom staff is in bass clef with a key signature of one flat. It contains a bass line starting on a whole note G3, followed by a half note G3, a quarter note G3, a quarter note G3, a half note G3, and a whole note G3. The lyrics 'And with thy spir - it.' are written below the notes.

P Lift up your hearts.



G We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

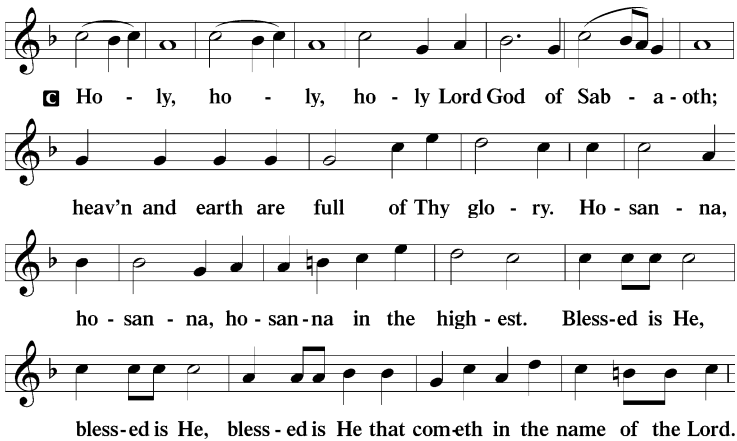


G It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God ... Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

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G Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
 heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
 ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,
 bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

The Words of Institution

The Pax Domini

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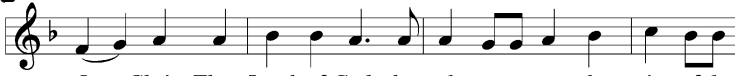
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



A - men.

The Agnus Dei

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O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

The Distribution

A Distribution Hymn: 622 “Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared”



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, You have pre - pared This feast for
 2 Al - though You did to heav'n as - cend, Where an - gel
 3 Yet, Sav - ior, You are not con - fined To an - y
 4 We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your pre - cious



our sal - va - tion; It is Your bod - y
 hosts are dwell - ing; And in Your pres - ence
 hab - i - ta - tion; But You are pres - ent
 Word be - liev - ing That Your true bod - y



and Your blood, And at Your in - vi - ta - tion
 they be - hold Your glo - ry, all ex - cel - ling,
 e - ven now Here with Your con - gre - ga - tion.
 and Your blood Our lips are here re - ceiv - ing.



As wea - ry souls, with sin op - pressed, We come to
 And though Your peo - ple shall not see Your glo - ry
 Firm as a rock this truth shall stand, Un - moved by
 This Word re - mains for - ev - er true, All things are



You for need - ed rest, For com - fort, and for par - don.
 and Your maj - es - ty Till dawns the judg - ment morn - ing,
 an - y dar - ing hand Or sub - tle craft and cun - ning.
 pos - si - ble with You, For You are Lord Al - might - y.

5 Though reason cannot understand,
 Yet faith this truth embraces:
 Your body, Lord, is even now
 At once in many places.
 I leave to You how this can be;
 Your Word alone suffices me;
 I trust its truth unailing.

8 For Your consoling supper, Lord,
 Be praised throughout all ages!
 Preserve it, for in ev'ry place
 The world against it rages.

Grant that this sacrament may be
A blessed comfort unto me
When living and when dying.

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A Distribution Hymn: 722 “Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me”

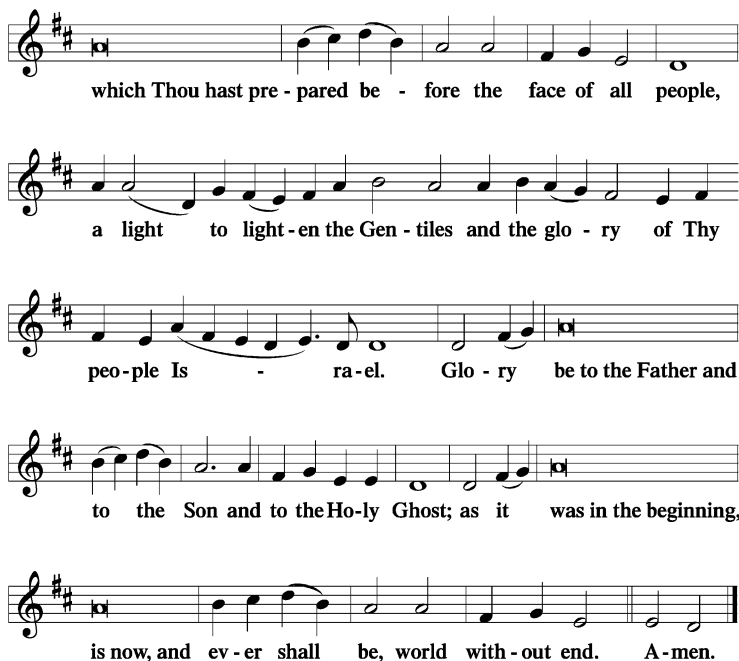
1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life's way;
2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear,
3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come,
Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day.
For You, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near.
I know that You will strength - en My steps toward home.
With - out Your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;
Close by Your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,
Then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend;
So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way.
For when Your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go.
So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

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The Nunc Dimittis

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Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

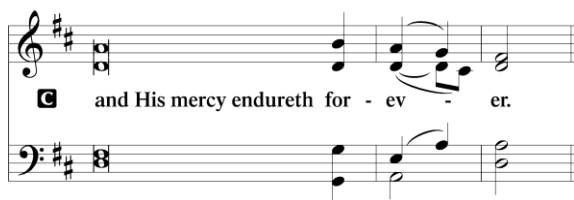


which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

The Thanksgiving

LSB 200

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who

lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

P The Lord be with you.

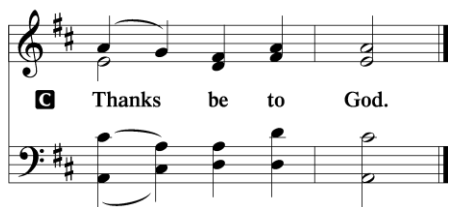


C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus

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P Bless we the Lord.

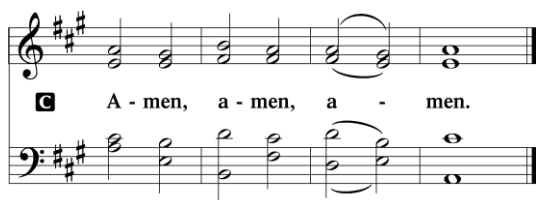


C Thanks be to God.

The Benediction

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P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



C A - men, a - men, a - men.

A Closing Hymn: 918 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer”

1 Guide me, O Thou great Re-deem-er, Pil-grim through this
 2 O-pen now the crys-tal foun-tain Whence the heal-ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor-dan, Bid my anx-i-ous
 bar-ren land, I am weak, but Thou art might-y;
 stream doth flow; Let the fi-ery, cloud-y pil-lar
 fears sub-side; Death of death, and hell's de-struc-tion,
 Hold me with Thy pow'r-ful hand, Bread of heav-en,
 Lead me all my jour-ney through, Strong de-liv-er'er,
 Land me safe on Ca-naan's side, Songs of prais-es,
 bread of heav-en, Feed me till I want no
 strong de-liv-er'er, Be Thou still my strength and
 songs of prais-es, I will ev-er give to
 more; Feed me till I want no more.
 shield; Be Thou still my strength and shield.
 Thee; I will ev-er give to Thee.

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Events of the Week: October 16-23

- Sunday 11:00 a.m. The 4 Ps Bible study (with Carol and Kim)
- Monday *Pastor and Sandra leave for Rwanda. Please pray for their safe travel.*
6:30 p.m. Worship service
- Tuesday 2:00 p.m. The 4 Ps Bible study with Mary and Rachel)
- Thursday 6:00 p.m. Bell Choir
7:15 p.m. Choir

Saturday 8:45 a.m. LWML Zone Rally (Our Savior)
 Sunday 9:30 a.m. Worship
 11:00 a.m. The 4 Ps Bible study (with Carol and Kim)

FINANCIAL DISCIPLESHIP

General Fund	6945.00
St. James Mission Fund	1200.00
Tessaro LBT Ministry	115.00
Memorials	<u>495.00</u>
TOTAL	8755.00

Announcements

If you need pastoral care while Pastor Schaeffer is in Rwanda, please call one of the deacons. They will contact Pastor Blain who will be providing pastoral care. The deacons are: Craig Popma, Bryan Ensing, Jerry Talen, and John Weiss.

Please stay for refreshments and Bible study. The refreshments are being provided by Kelsey Butler. Thank you, Kelsey!

The Four Ps of Christian Discipleship, a four-week, Bible study begins the week of October 16th. There are several Bible study groups to join:

- **Sunday morning** (after worship): Carol Bifulco and Kim Urbanski
- **Tuesday: 2:00 p.m.** Facilitators are Mary Ward and Dr. Rachel Palmer
- **Wednesday: 10:00 a.m.** Facilitators are John and Marjie Weiss

We encourage every member to participate in a group and to be blessed by your participation!

Candy...Candy...Candy....get your candy! Trunks of Treats is coming up soon, October 29th, and we estimate at least 200 children will be visiting us from 2:30-4pm. If candy is not your "bag", we need help in other areas too so *please* check the sheet next to the office asap, or call Cindy, Marjie or John! **THANK YOU!**

Dear St. James

I thank you for all the well wishes, prayers, and calls during my surgery and healing. I appreciate it so much and felt God's love through you all.

Marty Butler

VOTE NO ON PROPOSAL 3

A message from Rev. Paul Clark, Lutherans for Life of Michigan

The *Reproductive Freedom For All Abortion Amendment* will now appear on the ballot for the November 8 elections. If passed by a majority of Michigan voters, the State Constitution would be amended, authorizing abortions up until the moment of birth, while sweeping away every law designed to impose common sense limits on abortions, such as parental consent, and health and safety regulations on abortion clinics. This would make Michigan one of the most radically pro-abortion states in the nation. For the sake of our children, our grandchildren, our mothers and fathers, our nation, and our Church – we must stand against this moral, ethical, and spiritual evil. **Christians cannot and must not be silent.** Fliers, bulletin inserts, and other resources are available from - www.supportMIwomenandchildren.org

Please – get out the word! Vote NO on Proposal 3!

Would you like to help the victims of Hurricane Ian? You can do so by making a financial contribution to the LCMS disaster relief efforts. Individuals, congregations, and groups wanting to donate to the relief and recovery effort may give:

- By mail — Make checks payable to The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and write “*Hurricane Relief*” on the memo line. Send to The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861.
- By telephone — Call 888-930-4438.
- Online — Visit lcms.org/givenow/hurricane.
- By text message — Type the keyword LCMSHURRICANES and send to the number 41-444 from your text-enabled smartphone or tablet.

For additional assistance or to ask questions about donating, please call LCMS Mission Advancement’s Contributor Care Line at 888-930-4438.

Disaster Response teams are coordinating to assess damages and those impacted by the hurricane. If you are interested, please donate to Hurricane Ian Relief at <https://flgadistrict.org/give/> or collect gift cards for stores like Lowe’s, Home Depot, Walmart, and chain restaurants, and mail them to: Florida-Georgia District; 5850 T G Lee Blvd Suite 500; Orlando FL 32822.

Sign Up by October 16th for the Grand Rapids’ Zone Rally – My Sheep Hear My Voice! - will be held at Our Savior Lutheran Church on Saturday, October 22nd. Pastor Berg from Good Shepherd, Middleville will lead a Bible study exploring the relationship of the Good Shepherd and His flock and what it means to follow the voice of the Good Shepherd. Registration and a continental breakfast begin at 8:45 and the rally will run until noon. The ingathering will be items for Allendale’s Positive Options, a service of

Lakeshore Pregnancy Center. Desired ingathering donations include: size 4,5,6 diapers, wipes, and quality new teething rings. If you are unable to attend, but wish to make a donation, please give your donations to Grace Rosema or Carol Bifulco.



“Lifting our Hands in Prayer” - Painting Event on November 13th at 6:00. Join us as we contemplate Psalm 141:2, **“Let my prayer be counted as incense before you, and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice!”** Kim Urbanski will guide us as we create an image of praying hands.

Cost for supplies: \$10 per person. Sign up by November 6th.

LWML Celebration Sunday is set for October 23rd!



“For Us and With Us,” is the theme for LWML Sunday 2022 and is based on Paul’s letter to the Romans. Paul tells us that each of us has faced challenges and circumstances greater than our own strength (Romans 8:31–39).

But, in Christ, who is for us and with us, we are already more than conquerors through Him who loved us. This celebratory LWML Sunday will encourage believers of the victory, which is already ours through Baptism, so we might live each day confidently trusting in Christ.

Those who serve Today:

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Glenn Schaeffer

The Lector: Cindy McAuliffe

Organist: Beth McKay

Deacons: Craig Popma and Bryan Ensing

Ushers: Jim and Nancy Spears, Caleb Butler

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