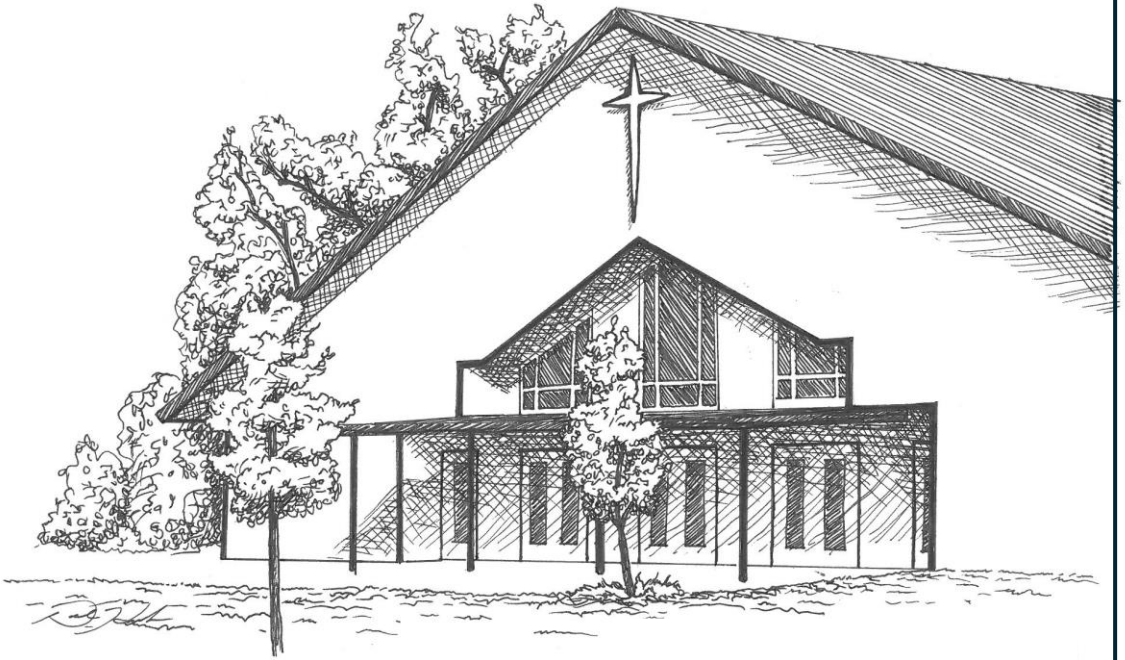


# Celebration Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod



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Take this bulletin home and use it for prayer,  
Scripture reading, and encouragement throughout the week.

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# Welcome to Celebration Lutheran Church

You have entered a holy place where Christ serves His people. In the Divine Service, He forgives sins, feeds the faithful, and strengthens His Church through Word and Sacrament. He does this to prepare us to live by faith, love our neighbor, and bear witness in the world.

Whether you are a lifelong Lutheran, a visitor, or new to the faith, **we are glad you are here.** May you receive His mercy, His promises, and His peace.

## What to Know Before Receiving the Lord's Supper

### Our Communion Statement

We believe, teach, and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ is truly present in the Sacrament of the Altar. His body and blood are given in, with, and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, just as He says: "This is My body... this is My blood" (Matthew 26:26–28).

In faithfulness to God's Word and in care for all who commune, we practice closed communion. All who are baptized, instructed, and confirmed members of this congregation or of a congregation in fellowship with the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are welcome to receive the Sacrament. In receiving the Lord's Supper, we not only receive Christ's gifts but also confess a shared faith.

Communion is not a general Christian right. It is an invitation to the holy banquet, and our Lord calls us to be prepared, clothed in faith and understanding. Scripture warns, "Whoever eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself" (1 Corinthians 11:29).

Those not communing today may come forward for a blessing by crossing their arms. Before communing, Luther's Small Catechism encourages each Christian to ask:

Do I believe I am a sinner?

Do I believe in Christ and His words in the Sacrament?

Do I intend, with God's help, to turn from sin?

If you have questions, Pastor Keinbaum or one of the Elders would be glad to speak with you.

## Preparing for the Divine Service

Before the Service – Speak to God.

During the Service – Let God speak to you.

After the Service – Speak to one another.

Please enter the sanctuary quietly and prayerfully, allowing others time for reflection. We ask that all electronic devices be silenced before the Service begins.

“Let all the earth keep silence before Him.” (Habakkuk 2:20)

### Prayer before the Service

Almighty and eternal God, I, a poor, unworthy sinner, come before You in the name of Jesus Christ. I pray that You would graciously prepare my heart by Your Holy Spirit, that I may rightly hear Your Word, receive Your grace, and offer You praise and thanksgiving. strengthen my faith and lead me in holiness of life, that I may serve You in joy, now and forever. Amen.

### Reading Summary

What the Word Is About This Week

#### ***We Walk by Faith, and Not by Sight, in the Peace of Christ's Forgiveness***

We are surrounded by “*destruction and violence*” (Hab. 1:3) because the Law “*is paralyzed, and justice never goes forth*” (Hab. 1:4). In fact, the Law cannot rescue us from our enemies; it is our fiercest enemy of all. Therefore, not by sight, experience or feeling, nor by works, “*the righteous shall live by his faith*” (Hab. 2:4). “*Temptations to sin are sure to come*” (Luke 17:1), but as often as we sin, the Lord rebukes us, turns us to repentance and forgives us. We pray that He would thus “*increase our faith*” (Luke 17:5). And indeed, He does! Though we are His “*unworthy servants*” (Luke 17:10), He prepares His Supper for us, dresses us properly and gives us His body and blood to eat and drink. He appoints pastors for us, “*by the will of God according to the promise of the life that is in Christ Jesus*” (2 Tim. 1:1). For the Gospel brings “*life and immortality to light*” (2 Tim. 1:10). This we believe. Therefore, “*follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard,*” by which He guards you “*in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus*” (2 Tim. 1:13).

## Processional Hymn

Lord of Our Life

LSB 659



1 Lord of our life and God of our sal - va - tion, Star of our  
2 See round Your ark the hun - gry bil - lows curl - ing; See how Your  
3 Lord, be our light when world - ly dark - ness veils us; Lord, be our  
4 Peace in our hearts, where sin - ful thoughts are rag - ing, Peace in Your



night and hope of ev - 'ry na - tion: Hear and re - ceive Your  
foes their ban - ners are un - furl - ing And with great spite their  
shield when earth - ly ar - mor fails us; And in the day when  
Church, our trou - bled souls as - suag - ing, Peace when the world its



Church's sup - pli - ca - tion, Lord God Al - might - y.  
fi - ery darts are hurl - ing, O Lord, pre - serve us.  
hell it - self as - sails us, Grant us Your peace, Lord:  
end - less war is wag - ing, Peace in Your heav - en.

Text: Matthäus Apelles von Löwenstern, 1594–1648; tr. Philip Pusey, 1799–1855, alt.

Tune: Antiphoner, 1746, Poitiers

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## Confession and Absolution

*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**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/Stand*

*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.**

*Stand*

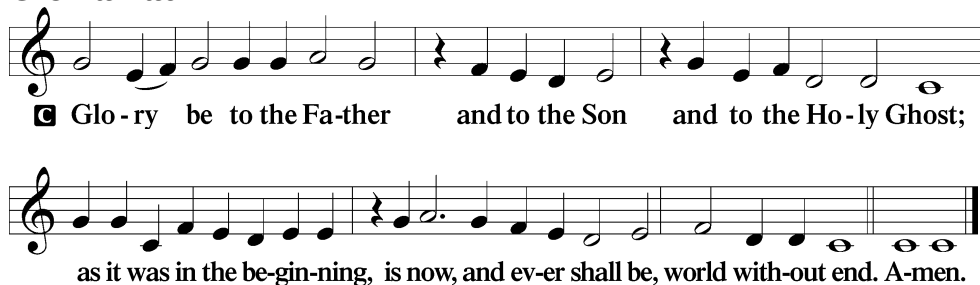
## **Service of the Word**

### **Introit**

I hope for your salvation, O LORD,  
and I do your commandments.  
I rejoice at your word  
like one who finds great spoil.  
Seven times a day I praise you  
for your just and righteous decrees.  
Great peace have those who love your law;  
nothing can make them stumble.  
My soul keeps your testimonies;  
I love them exceedingly.  
I hope for your salvation, O LORD,  
and I do your commandments.

## Gloria Patri

LSB 186



**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

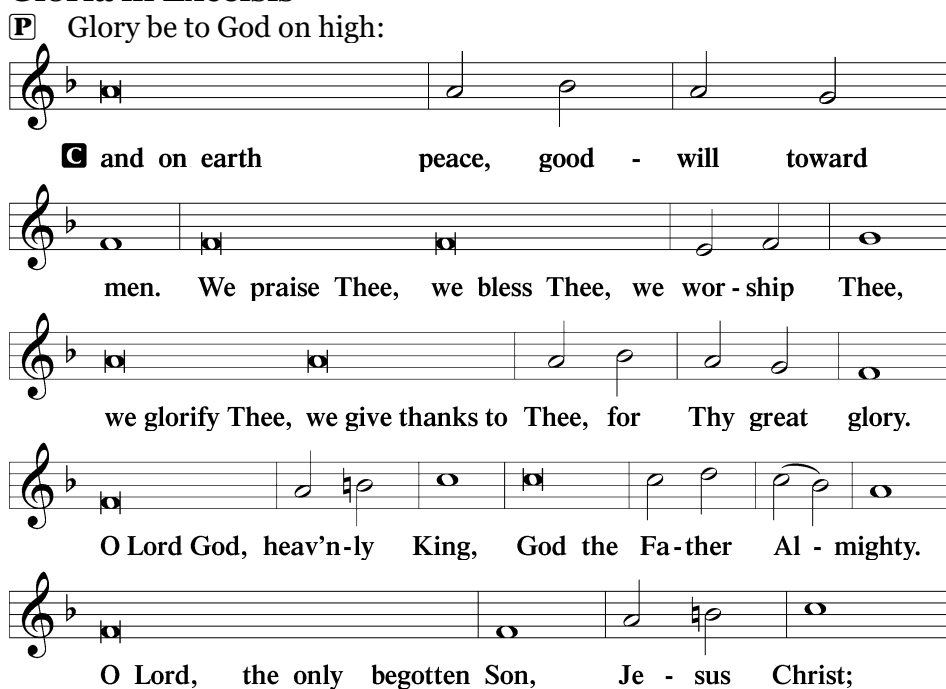
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**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187



**P** Glory be to God on high:  
**C** 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.  
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost,  
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spir-it.





**P** Let us pray.

**P** O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, by Your grace hear the prayers of Your Church. Grant that those things which we ask in faith we may receive through Your bountiful mercy; 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.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

Habakkuk 1:1–4; 2:1–4

The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw.

O LORD, how long shall I cry for help,  
and you will not hear?

Or cry to you “Violence!”  
and you will not save?

Why do you make me see iniquity,  
and why do you idly look at wrong?

Destruction and violence are before me;  
strife and contention arise.

So the law is paralyzed,  
and justice never goes forth.

For the wicked surround the righteous;  
so justice goes forth perverted.

I will take my stand at my watchpost  
and station myself on the tower,  
and look out to see what he will say to me,  
and what I will answer concerning my complaint.

And the LORD answered me:

“Write the vision;  
make it plain on tablets,  
so he may run who reads it.

For still the vision awaits its appointed time;  
it hastens to the end—it will not lie.

If it seems slow, wait for it;  
it will surely come; it will not delay.

“Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him,  
but the righteous shall live by his faith.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

Psalm 91:11; 103:1

He will command his angels concerning you  
to guard you in all your ways.  
Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

## Epistle

2 Timothy 1:1–14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God according to the promise of the life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well. For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.

Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that Day what has been entrusted to me. Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia

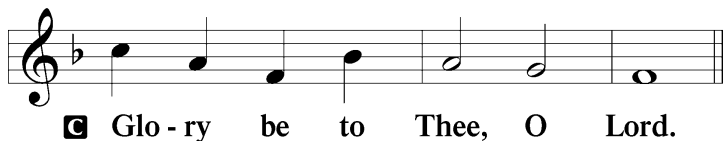
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## Holy Gospel

Luke 17:1–10

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



[Jesus] said to his disciples, “Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come! It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were cast into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin. Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, ‘I repent,’ you must forgive him.”

The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” And the Lord said, “If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.

“Will any one of you who has a servant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, ‘Come at once and recline at table’? Will he not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink’? Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, ‘We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.’”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



## Apostles' Creed

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

*Sit*

## Sermon Hymn

### Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

LSB 685



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, Fol - low His ex -  
2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus And with pa - tience  
3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death He  
4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en



am - ple pure, Through a world that would de - ceive us And to  
bear our cross. Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; Where He  
con - quered death, He will free us from de - struc - tion, Give to  
from the dead That to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus,



sin our spir - its lure. On - ward in His foot-steps tread - ing,  
is, there is no loss. Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter,  
us im - mor - tal breath. Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion  
You are now our head. We are Your own liv - ing mem - bers;



Pil - grims here, our home a - bove, Full of faith and  
We shall reap ce - les - tial joy; All dis - com - forts  
That would lead us in - to sin; And the grave that  
Where You live, there we shall be In Your pres - ence



hope and love, Let us do the Fa - ther's bid - ding. Faith - ful  
that an - noy Shall give way to mirth here - af - ter. Je - sus,  
shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heav - en. Je - sus,  
con - stant - ly, Liv - ing there with You for - ev - er. Je - sus,



Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where You guide.  
here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.  
here with You I die, There to live with You on high.  
let me faith - ful be, Life e - ter - nal grant to me.

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## Sermon

*Stand*

## Offertory

LSB 192



**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.

Sit

## Offering

**“The Prayer with Lead Us, Lord”**  
*Celebration Choir*

arr. Fettke

*Stand*

## Prayer of the Church

**P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For all who bear witness to Christ, that God, who has given them a spirit not of fear, but of power and self-control, would bless them with wisdom to speak His Word in faith and love to all who will hear, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For all Christian homes, that husbands and wives may love and forgive each other, that parents may be faithful examples to their children, and that orphans may know the joy of a home, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For those who exercise authority over us, who order us according to our laws, who execute justice and who defend us against our enemies: our president; Congress; governor; legislature; and all who make, administer and judge our laws, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all who are suffering from the effects of sin in their bodies or minds, that the Lord would grant them faith, perseverance and healing even in their times of trouble, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For strengthened faith through God's Word and hearts prepared to faithfully receive the divine gift, which brings the immortal body and blood of Jesus to our very lips, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For strength against temptation, that God would guard our steps, that in our weakness or in our liberty we do not cause others to sin, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** Almighty and everlasting God, deliver us from temptation and the powers of evil, that we may be faithful unto death and receive from Your hand the crown of everlasting life. Whether we live or die, we belong to You. Comfort us with this promise, that we may join the company of the saints on Your appointed day and enter into the heavenly places to worship at Your throne on high; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forevermore.

**C Amen.**

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

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**P** The Lord be with you.



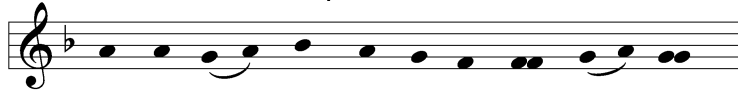
**C** And with thy spir - it.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



**C** 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, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. 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

LSB 195



**C** 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.



## Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

- C** 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.
- C** For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.

## The Words of Our Lord

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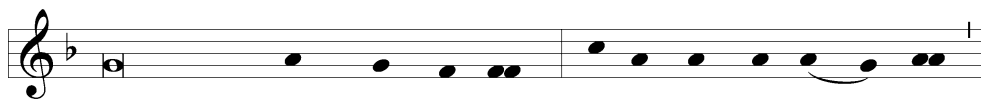
**P** Our Lord Je-sus Christ, on the night when He was be-trayed, took bread,



and when He had giv-en thanks, He broke it and gave it to the



dis-ci-ples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{†}$  bod-y, which is giv-en for you.



This do in re-mem-brance of Me." In the same way al - so



He took the cup after sup-per, and when He had giv-en thanks, He gave it



to them, say-ing: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in



My blood, which is shed for you for the for-give-ness of sins.



This do, as often as you drink it, in re-mem-brance of Me.”

## Pax Domini

LSB 197



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**A** - men.

## Agnus Dei

LSB 198



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.

*Sit*

# Distribution

## O Living Bread from Heaven

LSB 642



1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, How well You  
2 My Lord, You here have led me To this most  
3 You gave me all I want - ed; This food can  
4 Lord, grant me then, thus strength - ened With heav'n - ly



feed Your guest! The gifts that You have giv - en  
ho - ly place And with Your - self have fed me  
death de - stroy. And You have free - ly grant - ed  
food, while here My course on earth is length - ened,



Have filled my heart with rest. Oh, won - drous food of  
The trea - sures of Your grace; For You have free - ly  
The cup of end - less joy. My Lord, I do not  
To serve with ho - ly fear. And when You call my



bless - ing, Oh, cup that heals our woes! My heart, this  
giv - en What earth could nev - er buy, The bread of  
mer - it The fa - vor You have shown, And all my  
spir - it To leave this world be - low, I en - ter,



gift pos - sess - ing, With prais - es o - ver - flows.  
life from heav - en, That now I shall not die.  
soul and spir - it Bow down be - fore Your throne.  
through Your mer - it, Where joys un - min - gled flow.

Text: Johann Rist, 1607–67; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

Tune: Musae Sioniae, 1609, vol. 7, Wolfenbüttel, ed. Michael Praetorius

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# 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.

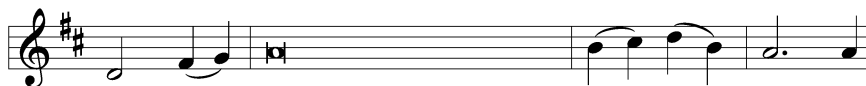
- 5 O grant, most blessed Lord,  
 That earth and hell combined  
 May not about this sacrament  
 Raise doubt within my mind.
- 6 Oh, may I never fail  
 To thank You day and night  
 For Your true body and true blood,  
 O God, my peace and light.

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*Stand*

## Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199



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



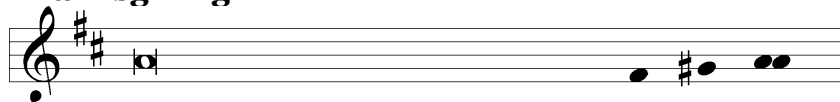
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,



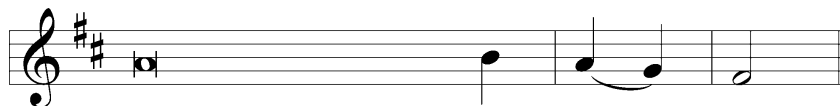
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## 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.



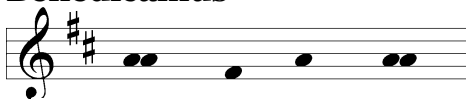
**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

## Benedicamus

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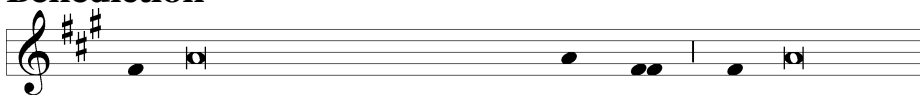
**P** Bless we the Lord.



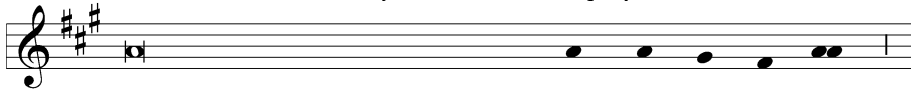
**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

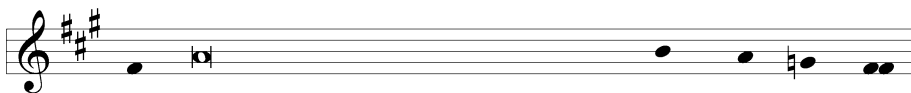
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**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



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

## Recessional Hymn

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

LSB 643

1 Sent forth by God's bless-ing, Our true faith con-fess-ing,  
2 With praise and thanks - giv-ing To God ev-er - liv-ing,

The peo-ple of God from His dwell-ing take leave.  
The tasks of our ev-'ry-day life we will face.

The Sup-per is end-ed. O now be ex-tend-ed  
Our faith ev-er shar-ing, In love ev-er car-ing,

The fruits of this ser-vice in all who be-lieve.  
Em-brac-ing His chil-dren of each tribe and race.

The seed of His teach-ing, Re-cep-tive souls reach-ing,  
With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;

Shall blos-som in ac-tion for God and for all.  
U-nite us as one in this life that we share.

His grace did in-vite us, His love shall u-nite us  
Then may all the liv-ing With praise and thanks - giv-ing

To work for God's king-dom and an-swer His call.  
Give hon-or to Christ and His name that we bear.

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## PRAYING FOR THOSE IN NEED

In the Divine Service today, we lift up those in need of healing, comfort, strength, and peace. If you would like someone to be named in the Prayer of the Church during the Service, or if you need private prayer, please speak with Pastor Keinbaum or one of the Elders.

“Cast all your anxieties on Him, because He cares for you.” (1 Peter 5:7)

## FROM THE TREASURER

Monthly Offering Goal – September 28

Goal Progress: 90%



Thank you for your faithful and generous giving. Your offerings support the preaching of the Word and the administration of the Sacraments, the care of souls, and the ongoing work of the Church here at Celebration Lutheran.

“Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” (2 Corinthians 9:7)

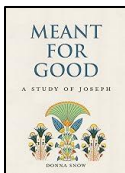
## LIFE TOGETHER AT CELEBRATION

**APOLOGETICS STUDY:** Continues **TODAY** for Upper Middle Schoolers and High Schoolers! We are working through a brand-new *Apologetics Study* from the *Enduring Faith Confirmation Curriculum*. This study explores topics like creation, science, trust in God, Christian living - helping our Youth grow in their identity as children of God. Kenny Lovelady is leading the class.



**CHILDREN’S SUNDAY SCHOOL** **still needs you!** This ministry is growing, and we still need more workers. See Ellie Brand, even if you can only help occasionally!





**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** A new Women's Bible Study begins Monday, October 6 at 7:00 p.m. and will meet weekly in the Fellowship Room. The first study will be *Meant for Good: A Study of Joseph*, led by Debra Weier. All women in the congregation and community are invited. If anyone needs transportation, please call Debra, 561-339-1312.

**BOOK CLUB** will meet on Thursday, October 30 at 7:00 p.m. We are reading *In Farleigh Field* by Rhys Bowen. *“World War II comes to Farleigh Place, the ancestral home of Lord Westerham and his five daughters, when a soldier with a failed parachute falls to his death on the estate. After his uniform and possessions raise suspicions, MI5 operative and family friend Ben Cresswell is covertly tasked with determining if the man is a German spy. The assignment also offers Ben the chance to be near Lord Westerham's middle daughter, Pamela, whom he furtively loves. But Pamela has her own secret: she has taken a job at Bletchley Park, the British code-breaking facility.”*



**USHERS NEEDED** If you are interested in serving as an usher, please see Ray Janney for details, or sign your name on the sheet found on the chair row. We will reach out to you.

**LOOKING AHEAD:** Middle Schoolers are invited to the Florida/Georgia Youth Gathering, November 7th-9th. See Hillary, or email: [youth@celebrationlutheran.org](mailto:youth@celebrationlutheran.org), if your child is interested in attending, or if you are interested in serving as a chaperone!

**CHRIST'S CUPBOARD PANTRY:** See the website for a list of items needed. There is a food donation bin to the left of the office door for donations. **If you have perishable food or a large donation, or if the bin is full**, please call Lynn at 904-514-5621 to meet at the church and unload your donations.



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## OCTOBER CALENDAR

5	9:00 am	Bible Study led by Pastor Keinbaum
	9:45 am	Coffee & Service Preparation
	10:15 am	Divine Service
	11:15 am	Fellowship
	11:30 am	Lay Programs and Children's Sunday School
	11:30 am	Apologetics Class for Youth
6	7:00 pm	Women's Bible Study – Fellowship Room
7	9:00 am	Christ's Cupboard Preparation (Volunteers Welcome!)
8	8:00 am	Christ's Cupboard Distribution (Volunteers Welcome!)

8	3:30-5:30 pm	Pastor Keinbaum's Office Hours
8	6:30 pm	New Members Class
8	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
9	6:30 pm	AA Meeting
11	7:30 am	AA Meeting



To see the full calendar scan the QR code.

## DEVOTION

### Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

“Let us ever walk with Jesus, Follow His example pure, Through a world that would deceive us, And to sin our spirits lure. Onward in His footsteps treading, Pilgrims here, our home above, Full of faith and hope and love, Let us do the Father's bidding. Faithful Lord, with me abide; I shall follow where [...]

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“Let us suffer here with Jesus, And with patience bear our cross. Joy will follow all our sadness; Where He is, there is no loss. Though today we sow no laughter, We shall reap celestial joy; All discomforts that annoy, Shall give way to mirth hereafter. Jesus, here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.”

According to our hymn, we live in a world “that would deceive us.” We may not regard the world as deceptive. After all, it is God's creation; He loves the world and the people He made in His image. He made us His stewards, or caretakers, of this earth. But this fallen world, with its many temptations, can be very deceitful and, because of our sinful frailty, very often the world's tempting voices “to sin our spirits lure.” A consumer-driven culture lures us to be dissatisfied and to place our faith in earthly possessions. Yet the world is not entirely at fault; we share the blame. As the apostle James writes, “Each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire” (James 1:14).

Our path through life is not an easy journey, but our hymn has the answer: “Let us ever walk with Jesus.” In our walk of faith, we plant our steps in the footsteps of Jesus, following His path as it is revealed in Holy Scripture. We know that Jesus' steps led Him to the cross. There He suffered the penalty of death that we deserved for our sins, for our every failure to resist the world's deceitful temptations, for every failure to walk according to the Word and will of God. Jesus died and was buried and, on the first Easter morning, the Savior's path led out of the empty tomb. By God's grace, our steps follow the risen Lord. Because

in Baptism we are united with Jesus, buried with Him and raised “to walk in newness of life” (see Romans 6:3-4).

Even as we walk in newness of life, we will endure suffering. Like the Savior in whose footsteps we follow, we must “with patience bear our cross.” As the hymn points out, our earthly walk is sometimes no laughing matter. Yet we walk on and look ahead to the joy yet to come. We are on the road, “pilgrims here, our home above.” We are exiles on earth, but we know that joy will follow. We “desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one” (Hebrews 11:16b), the place where we will reap “celestial joy.” Bearing the cross, we walk with Jesus, “full of faith and hope and love.” Where our Lord leads, we will follow.

**THE PRAYER:** Lord Jesus, help me bear the cross as I follow in Your footsteps. I look forward to the celestial joy that will be mine when I live in Your presence forever. Amen.

This Daily Devotion was written by Dr. Carol Geisler. It is based on the hymn, “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus,” which is found on page 685 of the *Lutheran Service Book*.

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Take this bulletin home and use it for prayer, Scripture reading, and encouragement throughout the week.

