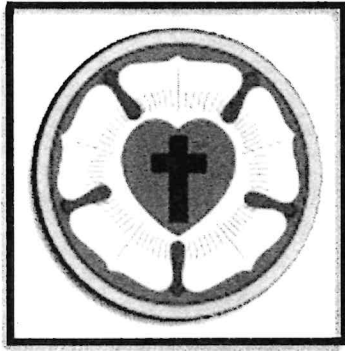




WORSHIP FOLDER

Welcome Home

Saturday, October 18th, 2025

5:00 pm

Preservice / Prelude

- "YOU ARE MY KING" [JOYFUL NOISE' H.S. BELL ENSEMBLE]

Welcome and Opening Hymn

"Thy Strong Word" [LSB #578...vs. 1 thru 4]

1. Thy strong word did cleave the darkness; At Thy speaking it was done.
For created light we thank Thee, While Thine ordered seasons run.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia without end!
2. Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness; Dark as night and deep as death,
Broke the light of Thy salvation, Breathed Thine own life giving breath.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia without end!
3. Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous; Bright with Thine own holiness,
Glorious now, we press toward glory, And our lives our hopes confess.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia without end!
4. From the cross Thy wisdom shining Breaketh forth in conqu'ing might;
From the cross forever beameth All Thy Bright redeeming light.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia without end!

Invocation

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son ☩, and of the Holy Spirit...

C: Amen.

Confession & Absolution

Pastor leads us in confession

Old Testament - Genesis 32:22-30

...The same night he [Jacob] arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. When 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. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day has broken." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." And he [God] said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then God said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked Him, "Please tell me your name." But God said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there God blessed him. So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered."

**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**

Prayer of the Day

Epistle - 2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5 [Cong. to read aloud on selected verses]

P: ...But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and 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.

C: All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

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P: I 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: preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. For 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, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths.

C: **But as for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.**

Hymn Response "Thy Strong Word" [[LSB #578...vs. 5 and 6] - (please rise)

- ♪ 5. Give us lips to sing Thy glory, Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,
Throats that shout the hope that fills us, Mouths to speak Thy holy name.
*Alleluia, Alleluia! May the light which Thou dost send
Fill our songs with alleluias, Alleluias without end!*
6. God the Father, light-creator, To Thee laud and honor be.
To Thee, Light of Light begotten, Praise be sung eternally.
*Holy Spirit, light-revealer, Glory, glory be to Thee.
Mortals, angels, now and ever Praise the holy Trinity!*

Gospel - Luke 18:1-8

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

Sermon Hymn

"O Word of God Incarnate"

[LSB #523]

1. O Word of God incarnate, O Wisdom from on high,
O Truth unchanged, unchanging, O Light of our dark sky:
We praise You for the radiance That from the hallowed page,
A lantern to our footsteps, Shines on from age to age.
2. The Church from You, dear Master, Received the gift divine;
And still that light is lifted O'er all the earth to shine.
It is the chart and compass That, all life's voyage through,
Mid mists and rocks and quick sands Still guides, O Christ, to You.
3. Oh, make Your Church, dear Savior, A lamp of burnished gold
To bear before the nations Your true light as of old!
Oh, teach Your wandering pilgrims By this their path to trace
Till, clouds and darkness ended, They see You face to face!

The Message



"SOLA FIDE ...

FAITH REMAINS"

Receiving the Offering / Special Music Response

- "IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL" [‘JOYFUL NOISE’ H.S. BELL ENSEMBLE]

Prayer of the Church

Nicene Creed

**C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth
And of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten
of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of
very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit**

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of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day, He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end...

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

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.**

P: Heavenly Father, ...

Hear us as we pray in Your name ...

All: 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.

Words of Institution / The Lord's Supper / Hymns for Distribution

"Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared" [LSB #622...vs. 1 thru 5 and 8]

1. Lord Jesus Christ, You have prepared This feast for our salvation;
It is Your body and Your blood, And at Your invitation
As weary souls, with sin oppressed,
We come to You for needed rest,
For comfort, and for pardon.

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2. Although You did to Heav'n ascend, Where angel hosts are dwelling,
And in Your presence they behold Your glory, all excelling,
And though Your people shall not see
Your glory and Your majesty
Till dawns the judgment morning.
3. Yet, Savior, You are not confined To any habitation;
But You are present even now Here with Your congregation.
Firm as a rock this truth shall stand,
Unmoved by any daring hand
Or subtle craft and cunning.
4. We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your precious Word believing
That Your true body and Your blood Our lips are here receiving.
This word remains forever true,
All things are possible with You,
For You are Lord Almighty.
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 unfailing.
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.

"In Holy Conversation"

[LSB #772]

1. In holy conversation We speak to God in prayer
And at His invitation Our deepest thoughts we share.
We come, His will obeying, As children bringing needs;
And to support our praying, His Spirit intercedes.
2. These holy conversations Begin in childlike ways
We bring our supplications And words of thanks and praise.
With care our Father listens To ev'ry thought expressed,
Then answers our petitions In ways He knows are best.
3. As holy conversation, In silence or by word,
In ev'ry situation Through Jesus, we are heard.
So let us pray securely, Expressing hopes and fears
With confidence that surely Our Father ever hears

"Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me"

[LSB #722]

1. Lord, take my hand and lead me Upon life's way;
Direct, protect and feed me From day to day.
Without Your grace and favor I go astray;
So take my hand, O Savior, And lead the way.
2. Lord, when the tempest rages, I need not fear;
For You, the Rock of Ages, Are always near.
Close by Your side abiding, I fear no foe,
For when Your hand is guiding, In peace I go.
3. Lord, when the shadows lengthen And night has come,
I know that You will strengthen My steps toward home,
Then nothing can impede me, O blessed Friend!
So take my hand and lead me Unto the end.

Closing Prayer and Benediction

Closing Hymn

"Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You"

[LSB #668]

1. Rise! To arms! With prayer employ you,
O Christians, lest the foe destroy you;
For Satan has designed your fall.
Wield God's word, the weapon glorious;
Against all foes be thus victorious,
For God protects you from them all.
Fear not the hordes of hell... Here is Emmanuel.
Hail the Savior!
The strong foes yield... To Christ, our Shield
And we, the victors, hold the field.
2. Cast afar this world's vain pleasure
And boldly strive for heav'nly treasure.
Be steadfast in the Savior's might.
Trust the Lord, who stands beside you,
For Jesus from all harm will hide you.
By faith you conquer in the fight.
Take courage, weary soul! Look forward to the goal!
Joy awaits you.
The race well run... Your long war won
Your crown shines splendid as the sun.

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3. Wisely fight, for time is fleeting;
The hours of grace are fast retreating;
Short, short is this our earthly way.
- When the Lord the dead will waken
And sinners all by fear are shaken,
The saints with joy will greet that day.
- Praise God, our triumph's sure.
We need not long endure
Scorn and trial
Our Savior King... His own will bring
To that great glory which we sing.

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