# FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

September 22, 2024 Rev. Patrick Poock



Christ Jesus Delivers Us from Sin, Death and the Devil

Those who teach the Word of God "will be judged with greater strictness" (James 3:1) because it is by the Word that saving faith is obtained, whereas false doctrine always threatens to destroy Christian faith and life. The tongue "boasts of great things," whether for good or evil (James 3:5). In fallen man, "it is a restless evil, full of deadly poison" (James 3:8). But anyone who bridles his tongue with the Word of God, who "does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man" (James 3:2). It is Christ who opens His ear to the voice of His Father, so that, with "the tongue of those who are taught," He is able to sustain the weary "with a word" (Is. 50:4–5). Entrusting Himself to His Father, even to death, He is not put to shame but is vindicated in His resurrection (Is. 50:6–9). By His faith and faithfulness, He casts out the "mute and deaf spirit" from us (Mark 9:25). He has compassion on us and helps us, so that we are not destroyed but cleansed from every evil and raised up from death to life (Mark 9:22–27).

THE DIVINE SERVICE is celebrated each Sunday at 8:00 am and 10:30 am and Wednesday at 5:00 pm. Bible Class is held on Sunday at 9:15 am and Wednesday at 3:30 pm and 6:30 pm.

**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH** is a Christological, Scriptural, Confessional and Liturgical member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. We believe that God has called us to believe, teach and confess that Christ was crucified for our sins and we receive salvation by faith, which is a gift of God through His grace given to us in our baptism, as is revealed in the Holy Bible which is the inspired and inerrant Word of God. In response to His gift of salvation we eagerly desire to do good works out of thanksgiving and praise to the Triune God.

#### **COMMUNION STATEMENT**

Because we take the Word of God seriously and we love our visitors, we ask that if you are not a member of Faith Lutheran or another LCMS church, please refrain from taking communion until you have talked with Pastor Poock. In the meantime, we would love to have you participate by coming forward and receiving a blessing.

Communion offers the immense blessing of forgiveness of our sins. However, it can be taken to one's judgment if not properly understood. 1 Cor 11:27,29 says, "Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the LORD in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the LORD...For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself."

We teach that a person receives the real Body and the real Blood of Jesus Christ "in, with and under the bread and wine." It is not symbolic or merely a spiritual presence.

#### WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

We rejoice to have you with us today. The liturgy is found in the Lutheran Service Book in the rack in front of you. You may place this bulletin in the back of your hymnal to help you follow along with the order of service. The Propers for the day are printed within the bulletin. Please read the message in this bulletin concerning reception of Holy Communion at our church.

# THIRD QUARTER MISSION PROJECT

The Third Quarter Elder Mission Project for 2024 is in support of the Lutheran Church in South Sudan. They would like to purchase 16 head of oxen and all the necessary harnesses and plows needed to be able to farm the land. This will help the pastors to become self-sufficient and not depend on foreign aid from the LCMS and others. Your checks can be made out to Faith Lutheran Church with SOUTH SUDAN OXEN or THIRD QTR. MISSION on the memo line and placed in a pew envelope.

# **Weekly Memory Verse:**

2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

# 901 OPEN NOW THY GATES OF BEAUTY



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#### + CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

#### **INVOCATION**

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

EXHORTATION LSB 184

- 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,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

CONFESSION OF SINS LSB 184

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- 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.

ABSOLUTION LSB 185

- 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.

#### + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT Psalm 37:5–7; antiphon: v. 4

Pastor: Delight yourself in the LORD,

Cong: and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Pastor: Commit your way to the LORD;

Cong: trust in him, and he will act.

men.

Pastor: He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,

Cong: and your justice as the noonday.

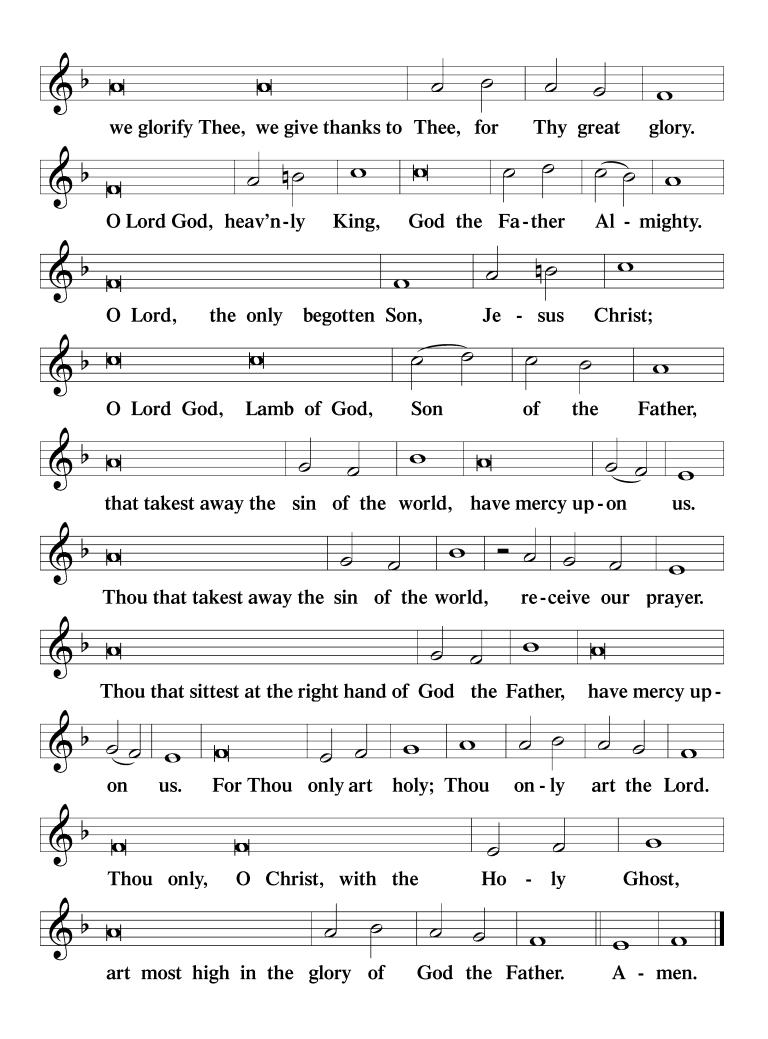
Pastor: Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him;

Cong: fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil devices!



We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor-ship

Thee,



#### SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.



# **P** Let us pray.

O God, whose strength is made perfect in weakness, grant us humility and childlike faith that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



OLD TESTAMENT Jeremiah 11:18–20

<sup>18</sup>The LORD made it known to me and I knew; then you showed me their deeds.

<sup>19</sup>But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter.

I did not know it was against me they devised schemes, saying,

"Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, that his name be remembered no more."

<sup>20</sup>But, O LORD of hosts, who judges righteously, who tests the heart and the mind,
let me see your vengeance upon them,
for to you have I committed my cause.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

*EPISTLE* James 3:13—4:10

<sup>13</sup>Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. <sup>14</sup>But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. <sup>15</sup>This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. <sup>16</sup>For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. <sup>17</sup>But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. <sup>18</sup>And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

<sup>1</sup>What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? <sup>2</sup>You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. <sup>3</sup>You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. <sup>4</sup>You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. <sup>5</sup>Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, "He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us"? <sup>6</sup>But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble." <sup>7</sup>Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup>Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. <sup>9</sup>Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. <sup>10</sup>Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.



GOSPEL Mark 9:30–37

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.



<sup>30</sup>[The disciples] went on from there and passed through Galilee. And [Jesus] did not want anyone to know, <sup>31</sup>for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise." <sup>32</sup>But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

<sup>33</sup>And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?" <sup>34</sup>But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup>And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." <sup>36</sup>And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup>"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

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



#### NICENE CREED

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 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.

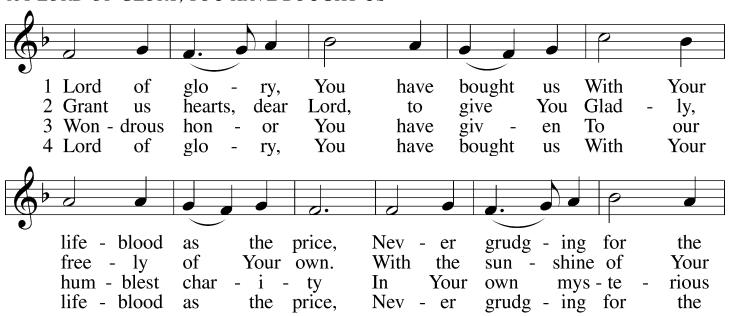
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

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.

# 851 LORD OF GLORY, YOU HAVE BOUGHT US





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#### **SERMON**

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

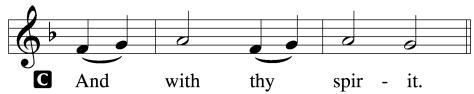




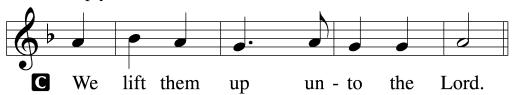
# + SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE LSB 194

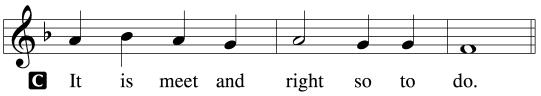
**P** The Lord be with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts.

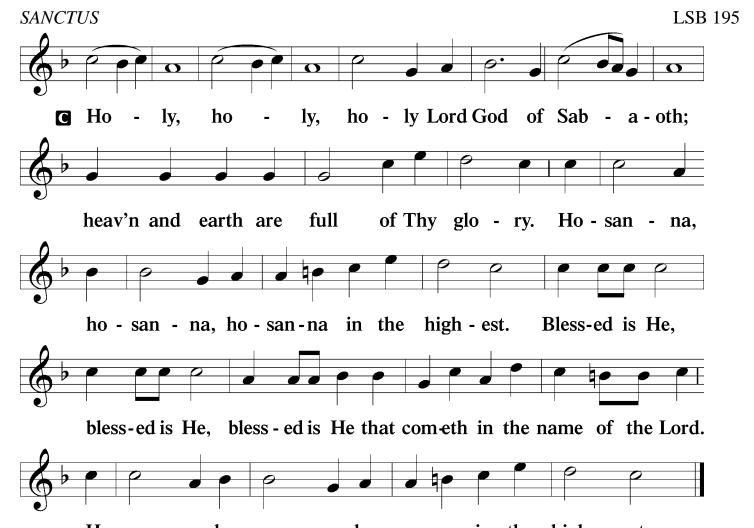


**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



LSB 194

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and singing:



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

LORD'S PRAYER LSB 196

P 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.



#### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

LSB 197

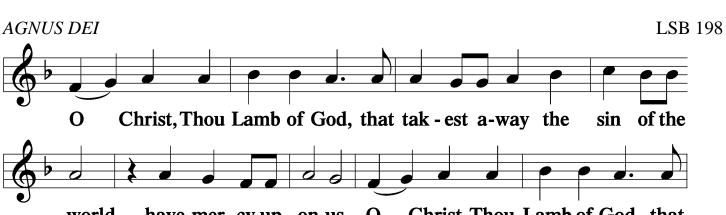
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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 H blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

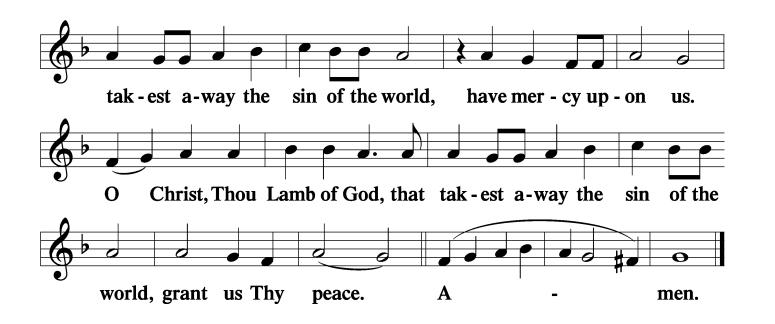
PAX DOMINI LSB 197

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.





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



#### 730 WHAT IS THE WORLD TO ME

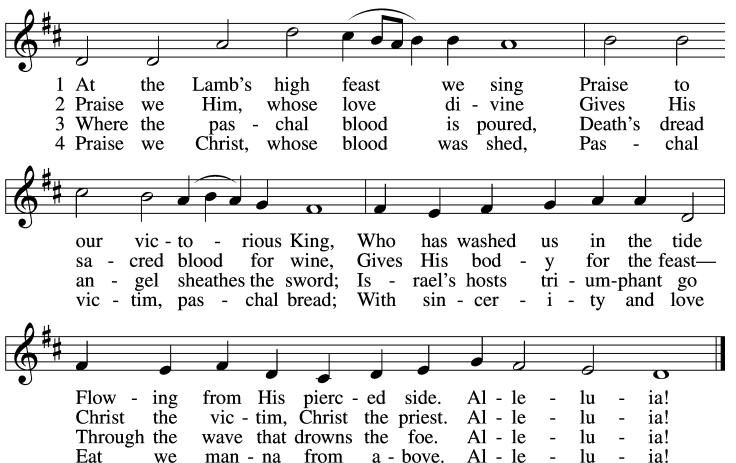




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#### 633 AT THE LAMB'S HIGH FEAST WE SING



- Mighty Victim from the sky,
  Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;
  You have conquered in the fight,
  You have brought us life and light.
  Alleluia!
- 6 Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall;

You have opened paradise,
And Your saints in You shall rise.
Alleluia!

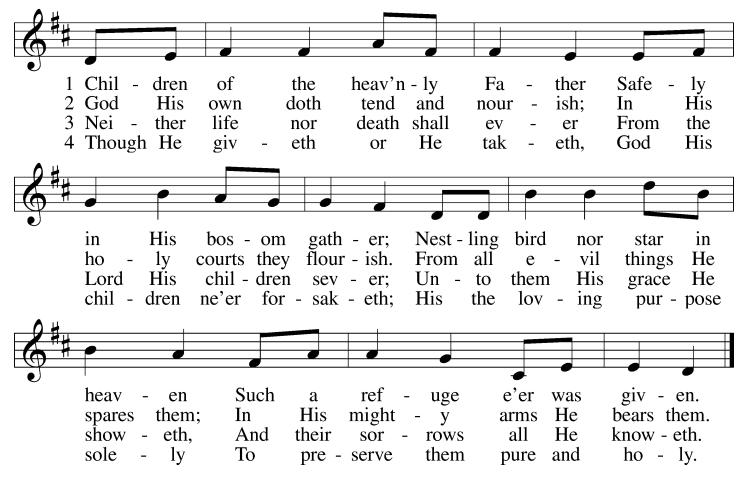
- 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
  This alone can sin destroy;
  From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
  Newborn souls in You to be.
  Alleluia!
- △ 8 Father, who the crown shall give,
   Savior, by whose death we live,
   Spirit, guide through all our days:
   Three in One, Your name we praise.

#### Alleluia!

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#### 725 CHILDREN OF THE HEAVENLY FATHER

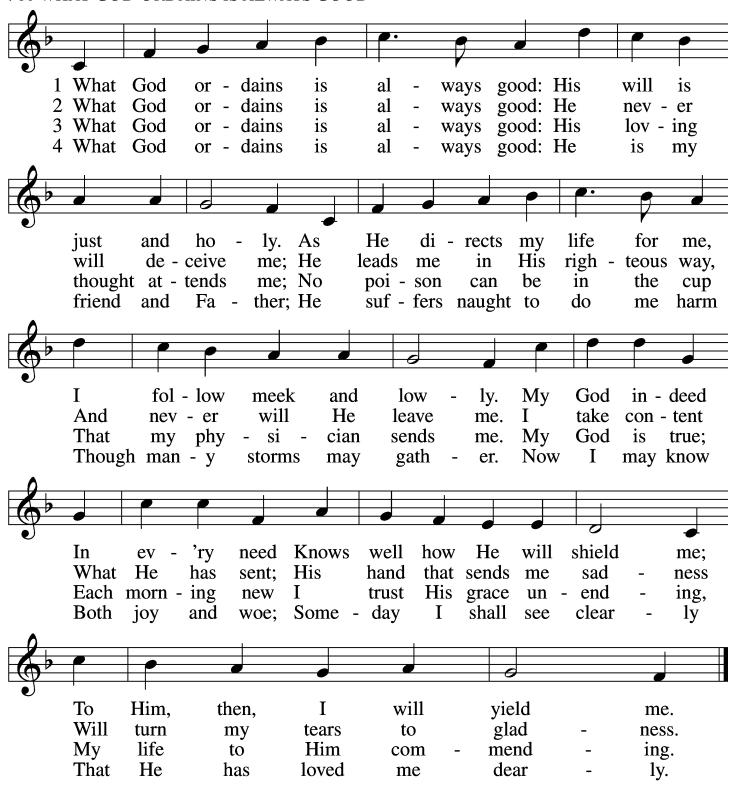


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#### 760 WHAT GOD ORDAINS IS ALWAYS GOOD



5 What God ordains is always good:

Though I the cup am drinking

Which savors now of bitterness,

I take it without shrinking.

For after grief

God gives relief,

My heart with comfort filling

And all my sorrow stilling.

# 6 What God ordains is always good:

This truth remains unshaken.

Though sorrow, need, or death be mine,

I shall not be forsaken.

I fear no harm,

For with His arm

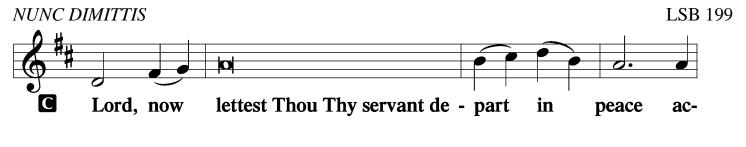
He shall embrace and shield me;

So to my God I yield me.

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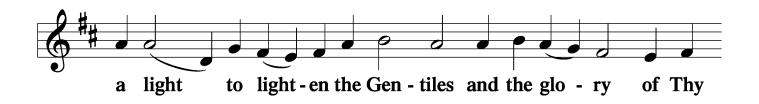
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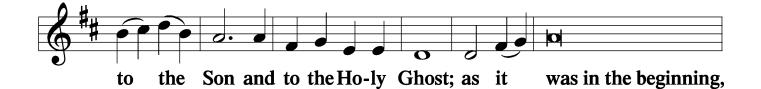














THANKSGIVING LSB 200

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



# POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

**A** 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.



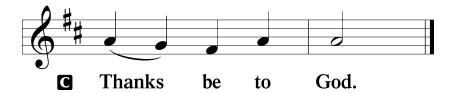
SALUTATION LSB 201

**P** The Lord be with you.



BENEDICAMUS LSB 202

**A** Bless we the Lord.



BENEDICTION LSB 202

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

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.



#### 842 SON OF GOD. ETERNAL SAVIOR



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### Rev. Patrick Poock Organist: Lillian Boettcher

#### THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES AT FAITH:

# **Happy Birthday**

Meghan Hughes 22<sup>nd</sup>
Larry Wikel 22<sup>nd</sup>
Ed Theres 22<sup>nd</sup>
Kate Poock 24<sup>th</sup>
Sharon Fredrick 25<sup>th</sup>
Michelle Fluegge 27<sup>th</sup>

# **Happy Anniversary**

Uwe & Kristine Porth 25th (41 yrs)

# THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES AT FAITH:

# Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>

8:00 am Divine Service9:15 am Bible Study9:15 am Sunday School10:30 am Divine Service

11:30 am Coffee Bites12:15 pm Adult Catechism

# Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>

6:30 pm Griefshare

# Wednesday, September 25th

Women of Faith 9:00 am NO 3:30 or 6:30 pm Bible Study 5:00 pm Divine Service

# **Looking Ahead**

September 29<sup>th</sup> ONE Divine Service 10:30 am
September 29<sup>th</sup> Brunch after Divine Service September 30<sup>th</sup> GriefShare 6:30 pm
October 1<sup>st</sup> Elders Meeting @ Popi's 9:15 am
October 8<sup>th</sup> Church Council Meeting 6:00 pm