

**JESUS LOOKED AT  
THEM AND SAID,  
“WITH MAN THIS IS  
IMPOSSIBLE,  
BUT NOT WITH GOD;  
ALL THINGS  
ARE POSSIBLE  
WITH GOD.”**

**MARK 10:27**

## 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

October 10, 2021

Portions from *Sundays & Seasons 2021* and *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* © 2006 Augsburg Fortress.  
Used by permission of Augsburg Fortress License #1271-L

*Lord of Life Liturgy [Dr. Bradley C. Hunnicutt]*

The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.

## Prelude

# Joys & Concerns

## Confession and Forgiveness

**P.** Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless.

**C. Amen**

**P.** Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

*Silence is kept for reflection*

**P.** God our comforter:

**C.** like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.

**P.** All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in † Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

**C. Amen.**

## Gathering Hymn

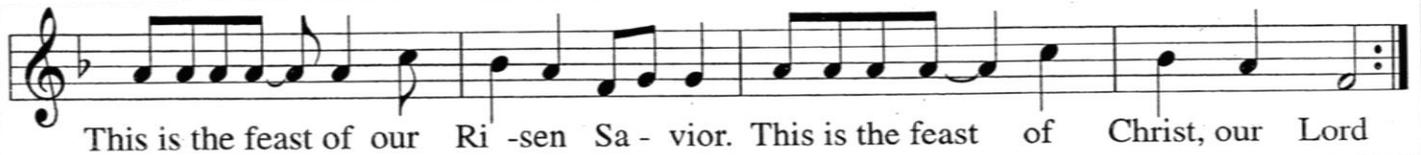
*Gather Us In*

ELW 532

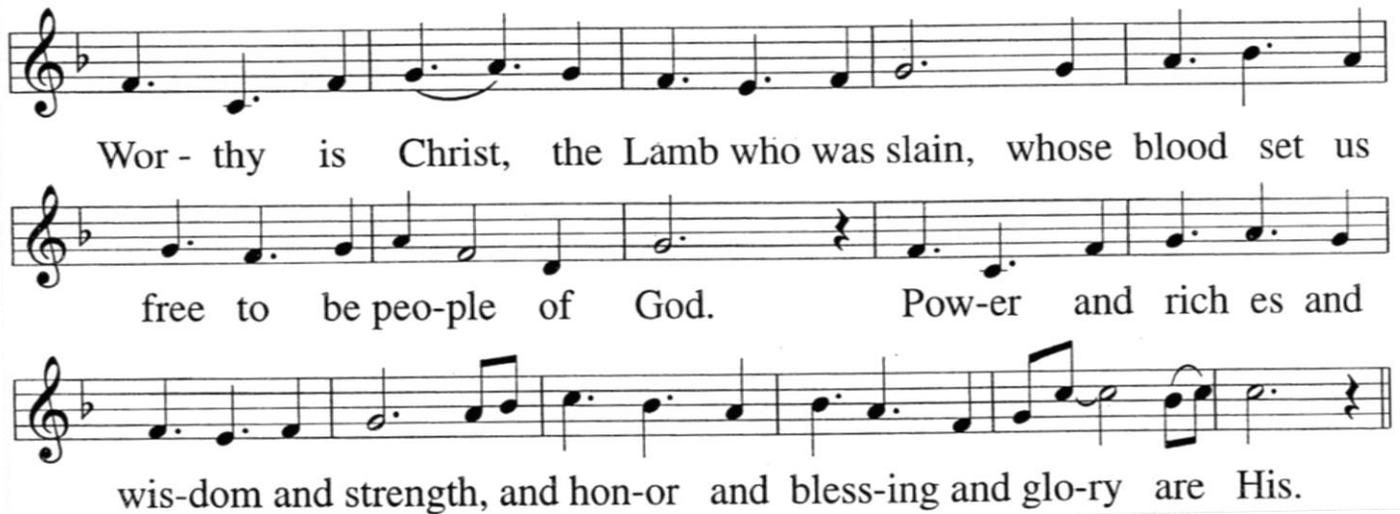
**P.** Sisters and brothers in Christ, beloved children of God: grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.

**C. And also with you**

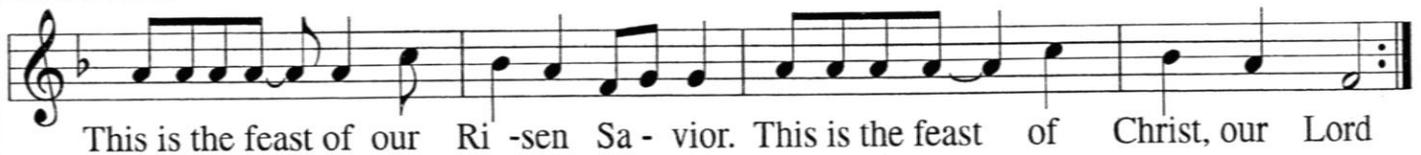
*This is the Feast*



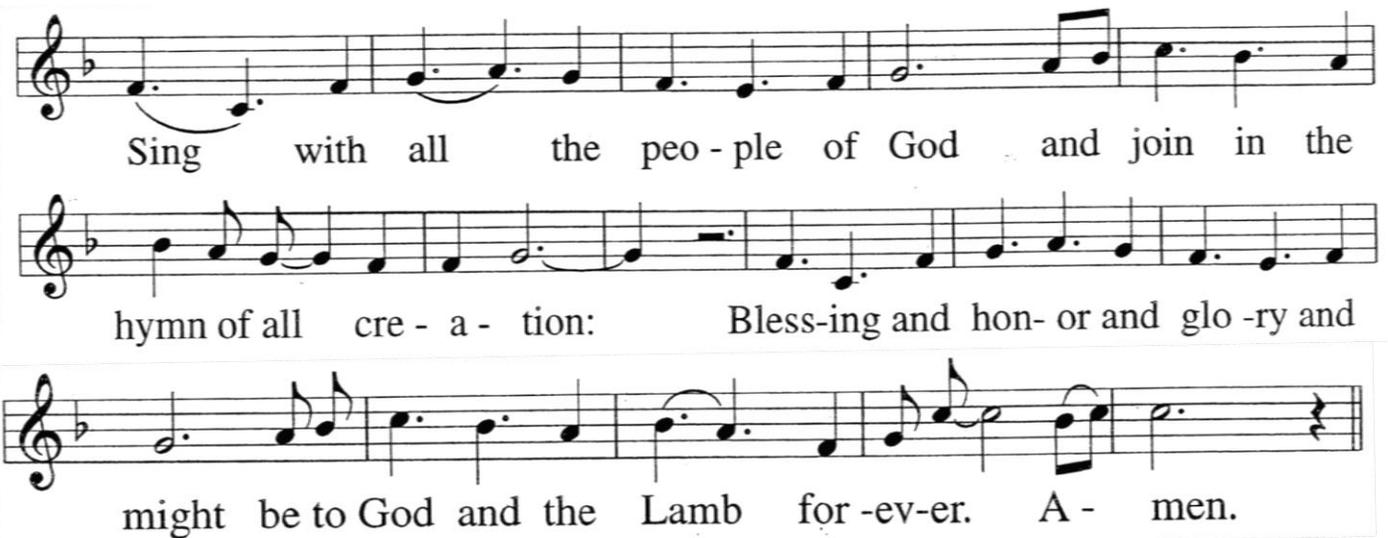
This is the feast of our Ri - sen Sa - vior. This is the feast of Christ, our Lord



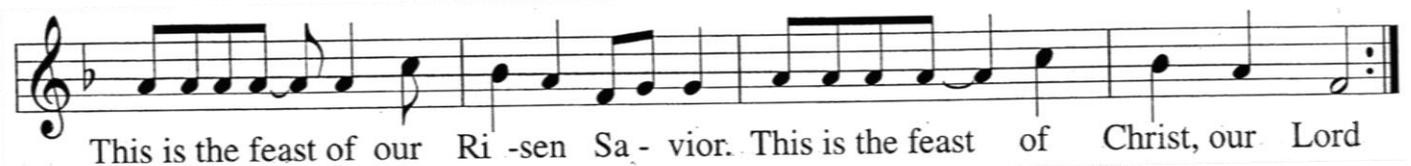
Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us  
free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich es and  
wis-dom and strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are His.



This is the feast of our Ri - sen Sa - vior. This is the feast of Christ, our Lord



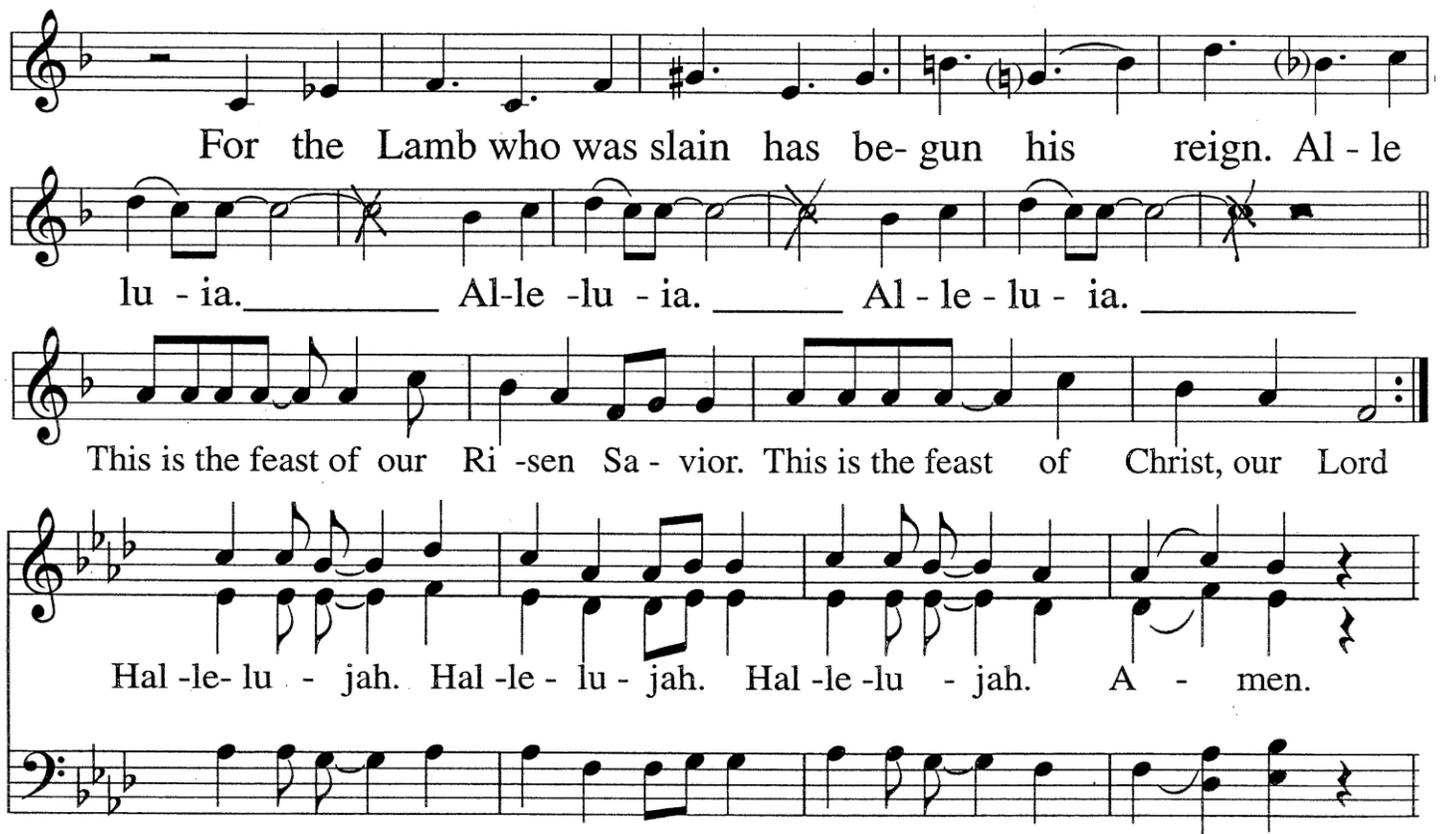
Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the  
hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon- or and glo - ry and  
might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of our Ri - sen Sa - vior. This is the feast of Christ, our Lord

P. This is indeed the feast of our Risen Savior . . .

. . . And His glorious resurrection has indeed become the Lord of Life!



For the Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al - le  
lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
This is the feast of our Ri - sen Sa - vior. This is the feast of Christ, our Lord  
Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. A - men.



Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. A - men. A - men.



This is the feast of our Ri - sen Sa - vior. This is the feast of  
Christ, our Lord. This is the feast of our Ri - sen Sa - vior  
This is the feast of Christ our Lord.

## Prayer of the Day

A. Let us pray

C. **Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

First Reading

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproveth in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

L. Word of God. Word of life.

C. **Thanks be to God.**

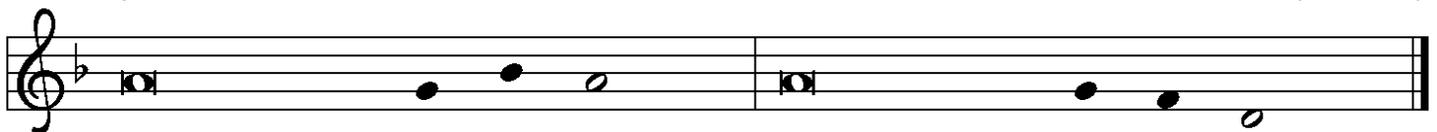


Psalmody

Psalm 90:12-17

(tone #9 )

chanted responsively



So teach us to num-<sup>1</sup>ber our days  
that we may apply our<sup>1</sup> hearts to wisdom.

**Return, O LORD; how long<sup>1</sup> will you tarry?**

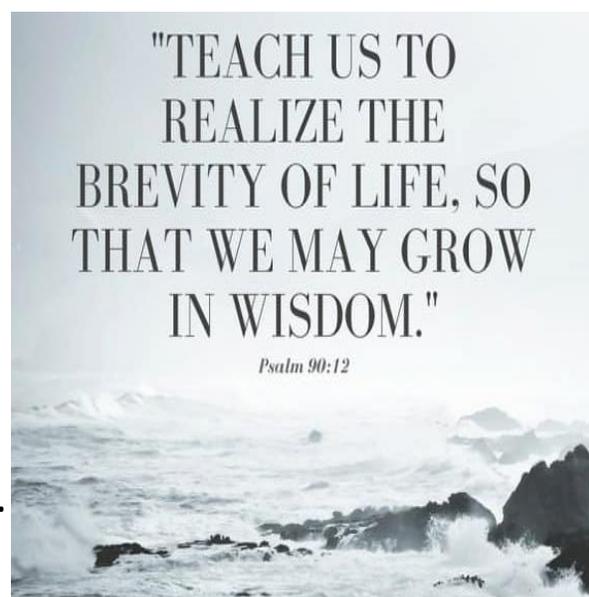
**Be gracious<sup>1</sup> to your servants.**

Satisfy us by your steadfast love<sup>1</sup> in the morning;  
so shall we rejoice and be glad<sup>1</sup> all our days.

**Make us glad as many days as you af-<sup>1</sup>flicted us  
and as many years as we suf-<sup>1</sup>fered adversity.**

Show your ser-<sup>1</sup>vants your works,  
and your splendor<sup>1</sup> to their children.

**May the graciousness of the Lord our God<sup>1</sup> be upon us;  
prosper the work of our hands; pros-<sup>1</sup>per our handiwork.**



## Second Reading

## Hebrews 4:12-16

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

L. Word of God. Word of life.

C. Thanks be to God.

## Gospel Acclamation

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

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

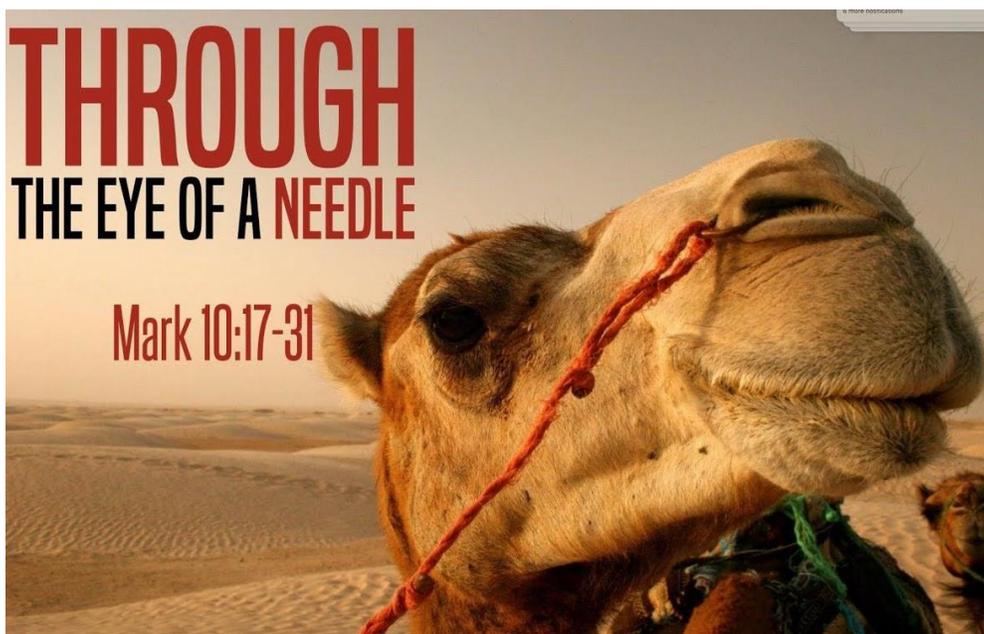
words of e - ter - nal life. Al-le-lu -ia. Al-le- lu -ia.

P. The Holy Gospel according to Mark, chapter Ten.

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."



  
C: Glo - ry, glo - ry to you, O Lord. Al - le - lu - ia.

P. The Gospel of the Lord

  
C: Praise, Praise to you, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

Sermon

"Sola Scriptura"

Pastor Wayne Dubnansky

Hymn of the Day

*Soli Deo Gloria*

ELW 878

# Apostle's Creed



I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe 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.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

## Prayers of Intercession

**P.** Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

Uniting God, you call forth different gifts in those who follow you. Encourage us to welcome the diverse benefits and blessings of the whole church in teaching, preaching, prophecy, healing, and more. Lord in your mercy,

**C. hear our prayer.**

**P.** Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C. Amen.**

## The Peace

**P.** The Peace of Christ be with you always.

**C. And also with you.**



## The Offering

### Offertory

*Create in Me a Clean Heart*

ELW 188

### Offertory Prayer

- A. God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C. Amen

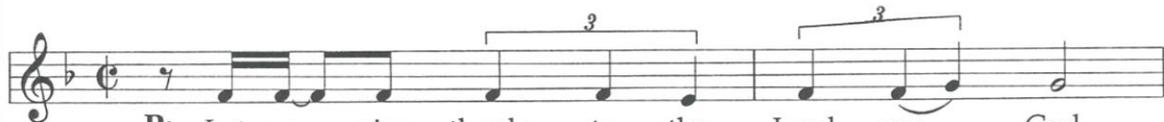
### The Great Thanksgiving



**P:** The Lord be with you. **C:** And al- so with you.



**P:** Lift up your hearts. **C:** We lift them to the Lord.

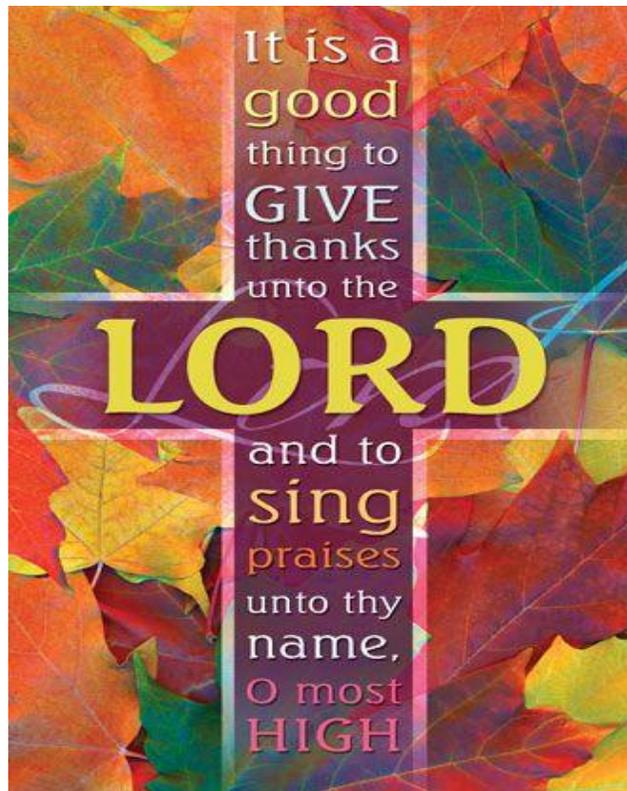


**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C:** It is right to give God thanks and praise.

- P.** It is indeed right and salutary ...  
join in their unending hymn:



## The Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and  
might: heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
*slower* san - na in the high - est. *a tempo* Bless - ed, bless - ed is the one  
who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est

## Words of Institution



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

## Invitation to Communion

P. All who hunger and thirst, come.  
The table is ready.

C. Amen.



## Lamb of God

*slowly*

Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer-cy, have mer-cy on us.

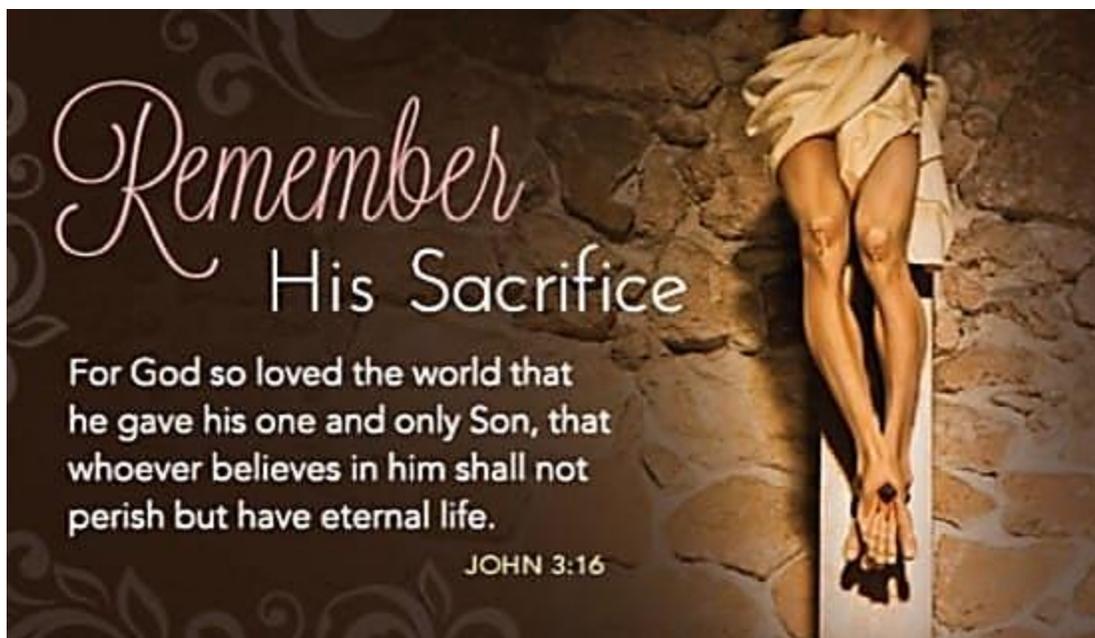
Je - sus, bear-er of our sins, have mer-cy, have mer-cy on us.

Je - sus, re-deem-er of the world, give us your peace.

## Communion Hymns

*We Come to the Hungry Feast*  
*Word of God, Come Down on Earth*  
*Now Break the Bread of Life*

ELW 479  
ELW 510  
ELW 515



## Post Communion Blessing

P. The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen us and preserve us with His Grace and Peace.

C. Amen

## Post Communion Canticle

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

*Al-le-lu-ia!*

## Post Communion Prayer

P. Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C. Amen.

# Benedictus

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

*Congregation*  
The Lord bless you and keep you, too.  
Lord make his face shine on you and be gra-cious to  
The Lord make his face shine on you  
you. The Lord look up-on you with fa-vor and  
and be gra-cious to you. The  
give you peace. A - men.  
Lord look up- on you with fa - vor and give you peace. A - men.

## Sending Hymn

*Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast*

ELW 516

## Dismissal

- A. Go in peace. Remember the poor.
- C. Thanks be to God.

# SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS



## Servers for Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup>

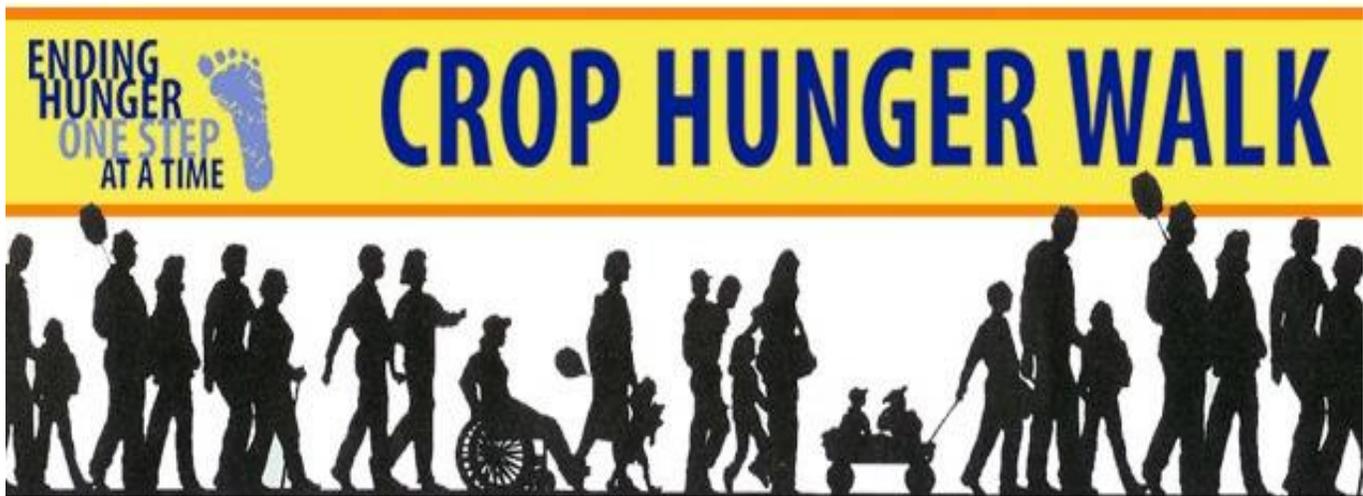
Assisting Minister ..... Alecia Harrison  
 Reader ..... Mary Cook  
 Altar Guild ..... Sarah Watkins  
 Greeters/Counters .... Alecia Harrison / Sarah Watkins  
 Ushers .....  
 Acolyte ..... Antonio Smith

Sign-up sheets for the various worship assistant slots are on the board in the hallway. Please consider spending time giving glory to God by filling one of these positions on a Sunday.

**Candles** for the month of October and **Flowers** for this week are given by Julia Lochra in loving memory of Helen Lochra.



Honor a loved one by making a donation for the candles in the sanctuary for the month or the flowers that beautify the church each Sunday. Sign-up sheets are on the board in the hallway.



This year's CROP walk will be on Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. There will be both a virtual and actual walk this year. The course in Pullen Park will have registration at 2 pm and the walk starts at 3 pm. All are invited to walk with Alecia in Lake Benson Park after worship and fellowship on the 31<sup>st</sup>, around noon. There is no entrance fee BUT all money collected goes to Church World Services who give most of the money to help people in Wake County that are food insecure and 25% of the money raised goes to International efforts to provide clean water to everyone.



connect · grow · serve

**Ministry Fair is coming October 24<sup>th</sup> –**

Various committees and groups will host tables in the Fellowship Hall **after the worship service**. Please join us to learn more about Lord of Life's ministries and enjoy refreshments and fellowship with us.



**Camp Agapé Fall Work Day: October 16<sup>th</sup>**  
(Work starts at 8:30 am)

*Calling All Volunteers!*

The fall retreat season is just around the corner and camp needs some tidying up! Enjoy fun and safe fellowship while you do God's Work – and best of all lunch will be prepared by Agapé's fabulous cook, Ms. Ann!

For more information or to register, contact Mir at [AceEd@agapekurebeach.org](mailto:AceEd@agapekurebeach.org) or (919) 552-9421.

**Camp Agapé Dinner Club – October 26** (Meal served 6:30 pm)

Reserve your seats for this special socially distanced re-gathering! October's menu TBD. Contact Kyle today to reserve your seats! (919) 552-9421 or [agape@agapekurebeach.org](mailto:agape@agapekurebeach.org)

*Reservations requested by October 10<sup>th</sup>*