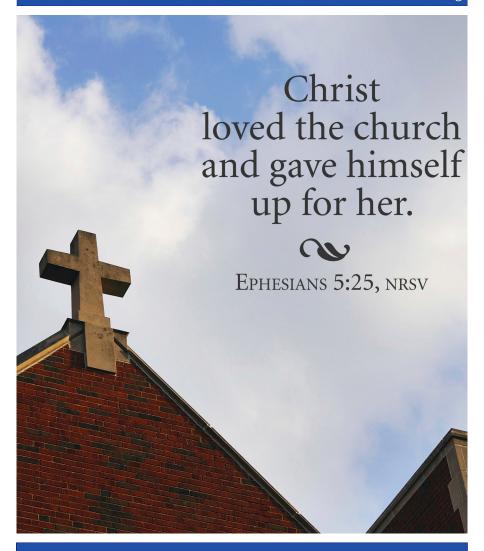
# "We Preach Christ Crucified..."

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#### As We Gather

The closest we can get to a mirror of the love of God for us is the mirror of the love that He wants us to have for one another in the family. The goal of family members is to reflect the love of God for us in self giving love for one another in the family. How tragic that in our society such a mirror is clouded indeed! There is much to repent of and much to strive toward. Today, we will be encouraged to follow God's blueprint for the family. May the Spirit lead us to appreciate God's blessings through our families for this life and the special blessings we have as members of God's family.

[Today's hymns are printed on pages 12-15 of the bulletin.]

# **♣** Preparation for Worship **♣**

#### Hymn

TLH 36 – Now Thank We All Our God

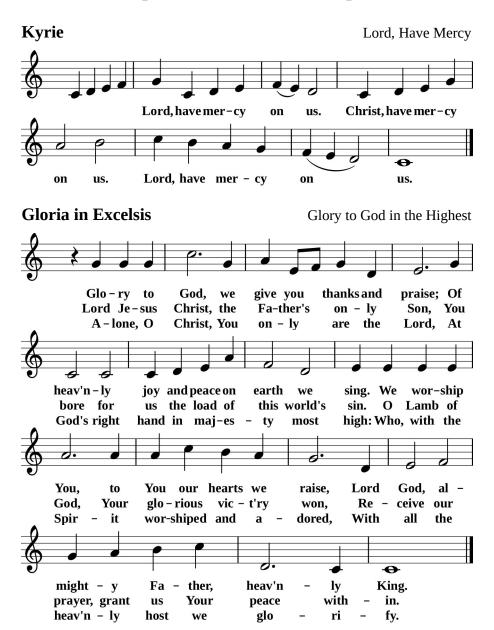
#### Invocation

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

### **Confession and Absolution**

- P We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.
- Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from conception. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- P God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.
- C Amen.

#### **♣** The Service of the Word **♣**



#### **Salutation**

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.

# **Prayer of the Day**

- **P** Let us pray...
  - ... who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

# **Old Testament Reading**

Genesis 2:18-25

<sup>18</sup> Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." <sup>19</sup> Now out of the ground the LORD God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. <sup>20</sup> The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. <sup>21</sup> So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. <sup>22</sup> And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. <sup>23</sup> Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man." <sup>24</sup> Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. <sup>25</sup> And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

# **Psalm of the Day**

Psalm 128

- **P** Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD,
- **C** who walks in his ways!
- **P** You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands;
- **Q** you shall be blessed, and it shall be well with you.
- **P** Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house;
- **Q** your children will be like olive shoots around your table.
- **P** Behold, thus shall the man be blessed
- **C** who fears the LORD.
- **P** The LORD bless you from Zion!
- **May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life!**
- P May you see your children's children!
- **C** Peace be upon Israel!

<sup>2</sup> And Pharisees came up and in order to test him asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" <sup>3</sup> He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" 4 They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of divorce and to send her away." <sup>5</sup> And Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment. <sup>6</sup> But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' <sup>7</sup> 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, 8 and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh. 9 What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate." 10 And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. 11 And he said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her, <sup>12</sup> and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adulterv." <sup>13</sup> And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. 14 But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. 15 Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." <sup>16</sup> And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laving his hands on them.

#### Alleluia

**P** Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.



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.

# Hymn

TLH 624 – O Blessed Home Where Man and Wife

#### **Sermon Text**

Ephesians 5:21-6:4

<sup>21</sup> submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ. <sup>22</sup> Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. <sup>23</sup> For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. <sup>24</sup> Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands. <sup>25</sup> Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, <sup>26</sup> that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, <sup>27</sup> so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. <sup>28</sup> In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. 29 For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, 30 because we are members of his body. <sup>31</sup> "Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." <sup>32</sup> This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. <sup>33</sup> However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband. <sup>1</sup> Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. <sup>2</sup> "Honor your father and mother" (this is the first commandment with a promise), "that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land."

<sup>4</sup> Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.



## **God's Blueprint for the Family**

I. Recognize Who You Are in Christ II. Do Your Family Work in Reverence for Christ

## Offertory



#### Hymn

TLH 625 – Oh, Blest the House, Whate'er Befall

## **Offering Hymn**

TLH 441 sts. 1-2

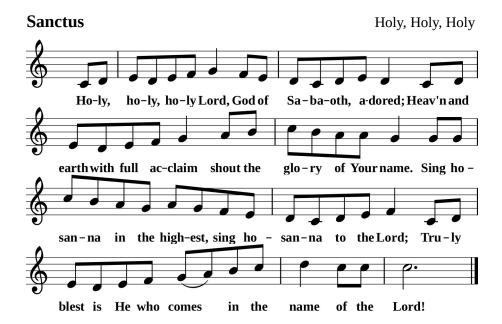
- 1. We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be; All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
- 2. May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our first-fruits give!

## General Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

#### **⅓** The Service of the Sacrament **⅓**

#### **Preface**

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **©** We lift them up to the Lord.
- P It is right and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God... .... Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:



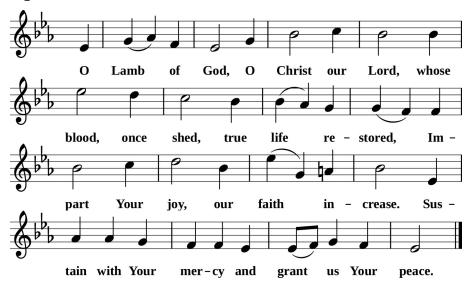
## **Words of Institution**

## Pax Domini

Peace of the Lord

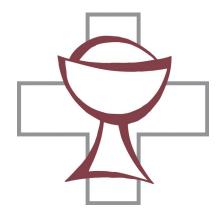
- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always!
- C Amen.

**Agnus Dei** Lamb of God



#### **Distribution**

Holy Communion is rightly called a 'Sacrament' because it is a "Sacred act;" not in what WE do for Christ, but in what Christ does for US! Because God's Word presents the reception of this Sacrament as a most intimate expression of spiritual and confessional unity (1 Corinthians 1:10; 10:16-17 Romans 16:17-18), we ask only those who have publicly professed such oneness of faith and belief with us by membership here or another CLC church come forward at this time. This is not a judgment of anyone's faith, but rather an expression of ours. Please speak with pastor if you are seeking a church home or have any questions. We'd love to have you!

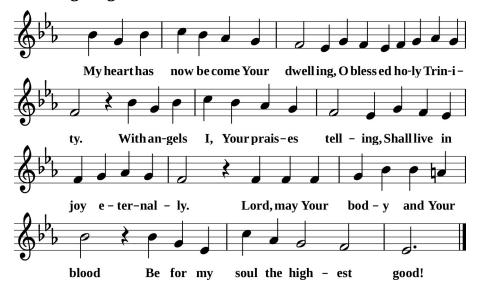






**P** Go in peace. Serve the Lord with gladness.

## **Thanksgiving**



#### Benediction

- The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

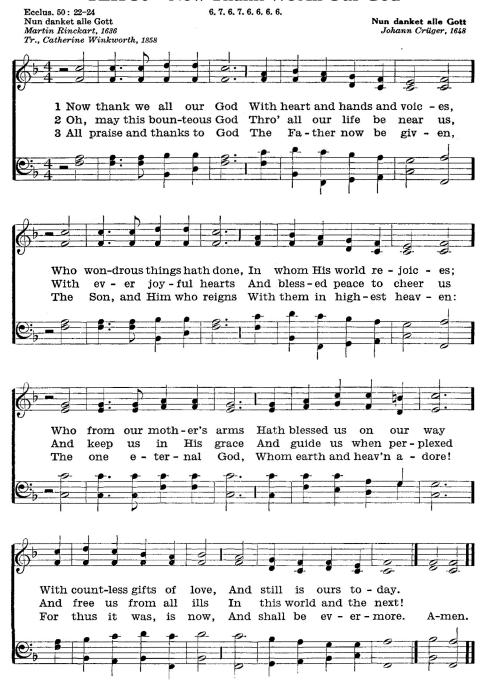
  The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.
- C Amen.

Hymn

WS 800 – Go My Children, with My Blessing

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## TLH 36 - Now Thank We All Our God



## TLH 624 – O Blessed Home Where Man and Wife



## TLH 625 - Oh, Blest the House, Whate'er Befall



- 4 Blest such a house, it prospers well, In peace and joy the parents dwell, And in their children's lot is shown How richly God can bless His own.
- 5 Then here will I and mine today
  A solemn covenant make and say:
  Though all the world forsake Thy Word,
  I and my house will serve the Lord.

# WS 800 - Go My Children, with My Blessing



# + Announcements +

Welcome to all of our guests and visitors this morning in our Savior's name. We are glad that you have come to worship with us this morning, and hope that you will come back and join us again. It is our prayer that your faith will be strengthened by the preaching of our Lord's pure Word and by the psalms and hymns that our Scripture-based liturgy offers. If you have any questions about our church or are interested in learning more about the Scriptures, please ask Pastor Sauers.

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OUR SCHEDULE: "If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15						
*Online calendar at FDLlutheran.com or go to facebook.com/FDL.lutheran						
October 3 9:00 am Sunday School/Bible Class						
October 3	9:00 am	Sunday School/Bible Class				
	10:00 am	Worship Service w/ Holy Communion				
	11:15 am	Fellowship Hour				
October 7	10:00 am	Bible Class				
October 10	9:00 am	Sunday School/Bible Class				
	10:00 am	Worship Service				
October 12	6:00 pm	Council				
October 13	10, 11 am	Woodlands Worship Services				
October 14	10:00 am	Bible Class				
October 17	9:00 am	Sunday School/Bible Class				
	10:00 am	Worship Service				

**Fellowship Hour**: Join us for fellowship hour following the worship service today.

**Joint Reformation Service**: Our area Joint Reformation Service will be held at Ascension Lutheran in Batavia, IL on Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, beginning at 4:00 pm. A fellowship meal will follow the service.

**CLC Convention Proceedings**: The 2021 CLC Convention Proceedings are now available. A number of copies have been printed and are available in our narthex. You may also read the Proceedings online, using this link: tinyurl.com/2021-clc-proc.

**Snow Removal**: As we are seeking out bids for removing snow in the parking lot, we also need to address the sidewalk. For many years the students in the school handled this but this is no longer an option. In the past few years the sidewalks have not always been cleared in a timely manner. If you are able to help, please speak to Tyler Kern or Mike Schierenbeck in the next few weeks. There is a snowthrower available for use in the shed so hopefully this will open up the number of people who could do this much needed work. Ideally we could have enough volunteers to make a schedule in a similar fashion to the way that we take turns with lawnmowing. Thank you for your consideration.

**CLC News**: Pastor Tom Schuetize of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Lakewaood, CO, has received the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO.

FRUITS OF FAITH – September 19		Attendance: 55		
Luther Memorial Church		Church of the Lutheran Confession		
<b>Budgetary</b> (Regular Expenses)		<b>Budgetary</b> (Regular Expenses)		
\$1,803.40	LM General Budget (09/19)	\$330.00	CLC General Budget (09/19)	
\$3,076.92	Weekly Need	\$384.62	Weekly Need	
-\$1,273.52	-Under / +Over	-\$54.62	-Under / +Over	
\$97,352.63	Year to Date Offerings	\$4,094.00	Fiscal Year to Date Offerings	
\$116,922.96	Year to Date Need	\$4,615.44	Fiscal Year to Date Need	
-\$19,570.33	Year to Date (+/-)	-\$521.44	Fiscal Year to Date (+/-)	
Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)		Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)		
\$25.00	LM School		ILC Student Aid Fund	
\$25.00	LM Student Aid Fund		ILC Building Fund	
	LM Debt Retirement		ILC Improvement Fund	
	LM M & I	\$75.00	Mission Development (MDF)	
\$75.00	LM Local Missions/ Outreach	\$70.00	Project Kinship/Orphanage	
\$20.00	LM Building Fund		Fall Mission Festival	
	LM Ladies Orphan Fund		Miscellaneous	

