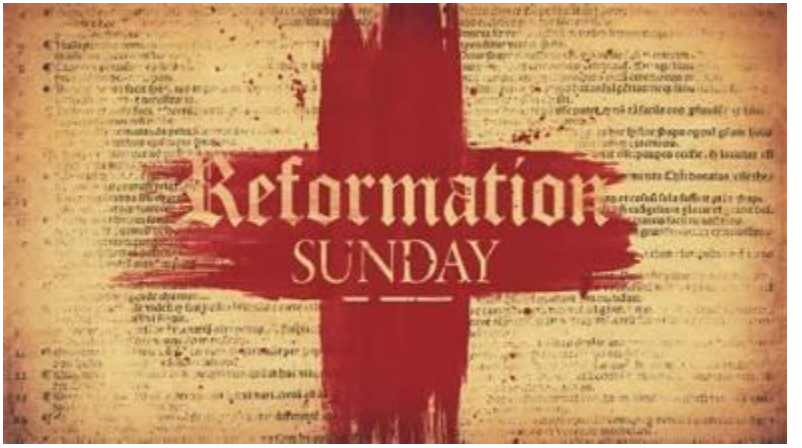
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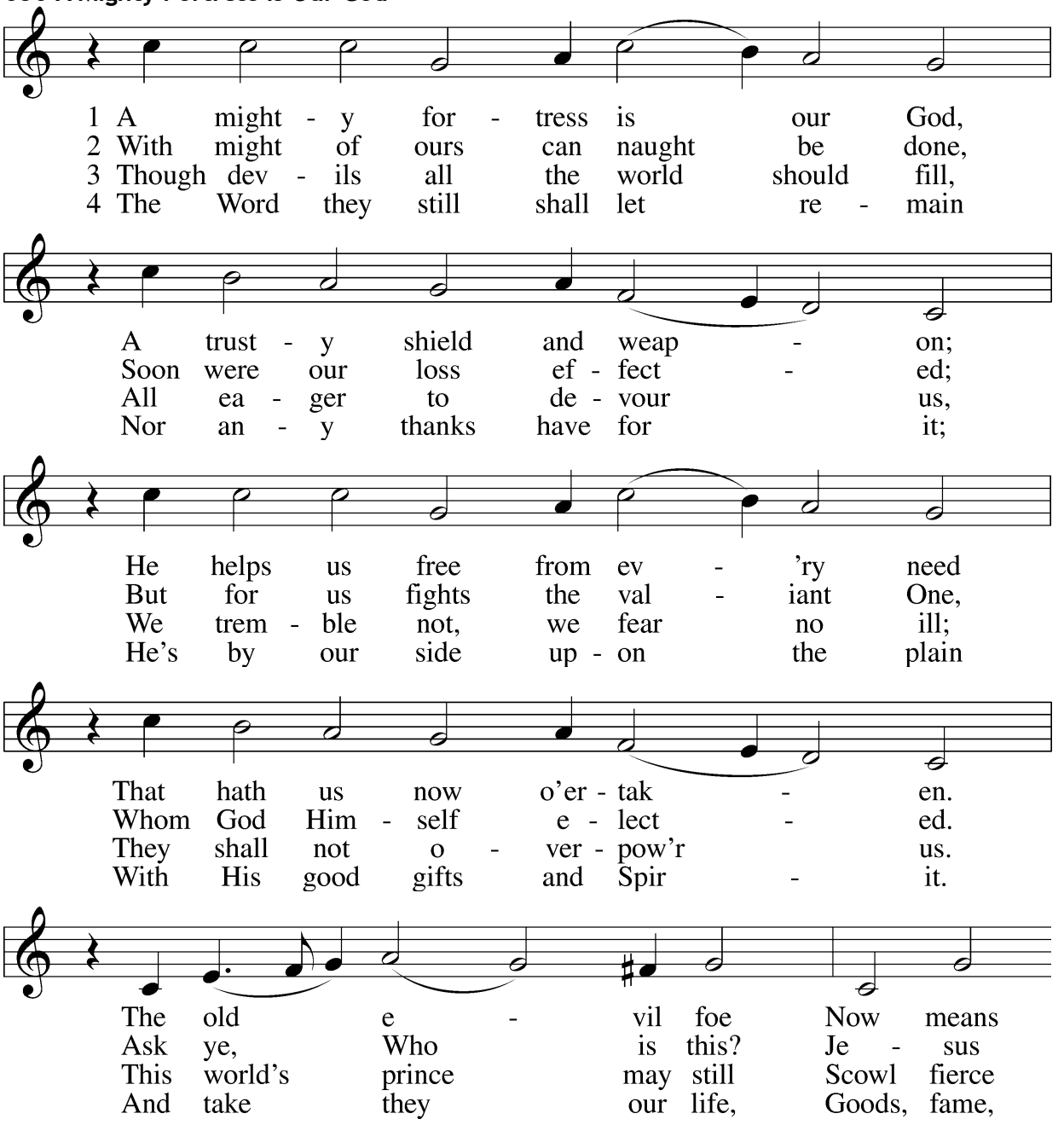
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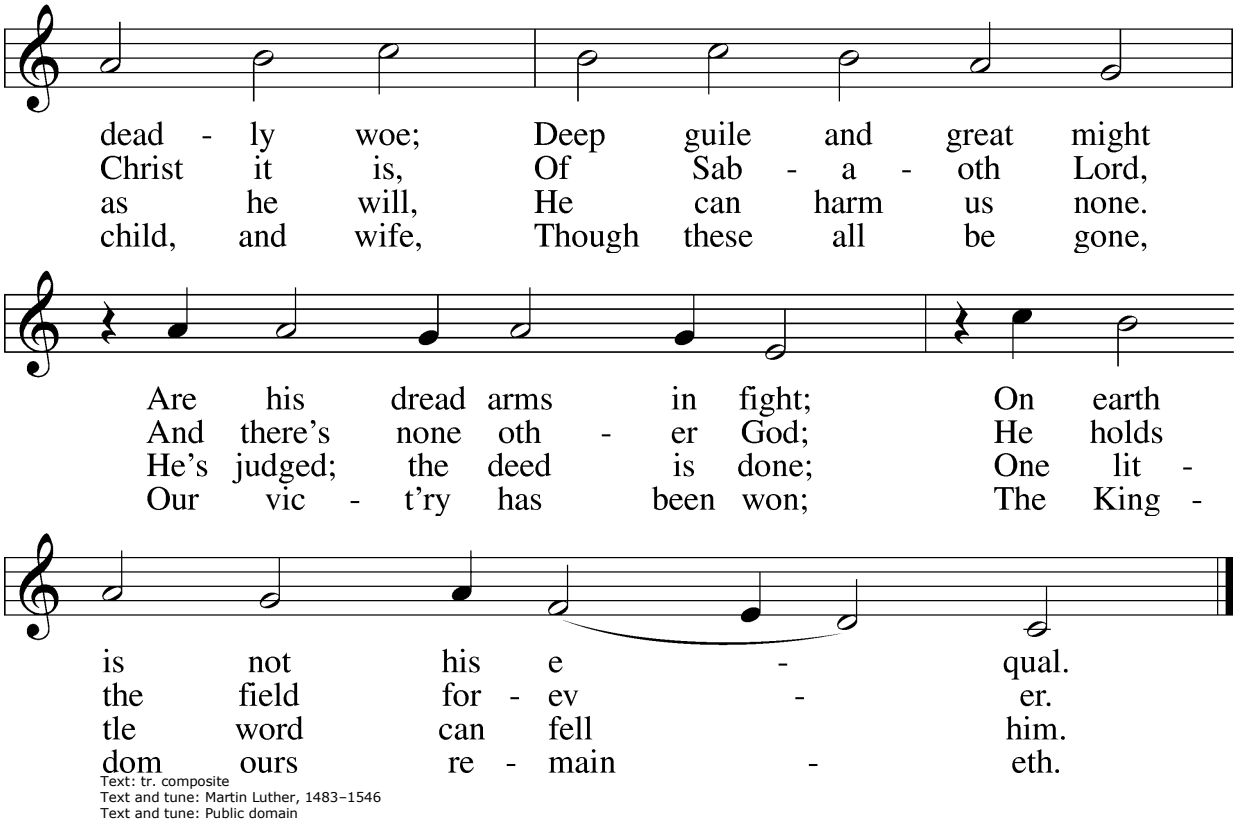
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+ WELCOME – AS WE GATHER +

+ PREPARATION +

656 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God





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

+ *Confession and Absolution* +

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

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the

infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

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 Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore 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 46

[1]God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
[2]Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
[3]though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

[4]There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
[5]God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
God will help her when morning dawns.
[6]The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.
[7]The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

[8]Come, behold the works of the LORD,
how he has brought desolations on the earth.
[9]He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the chariots with fire.
[10]"Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!"

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.

[11]The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

KYRIE

LSB 204



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 204



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good - will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je-sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.
Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

FIRST READING

Revelation 14:6–7

6 Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who
dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. 7 And he said with a loud voice, "Fear
God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven
and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

Romans 3:19–28

19 Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every
mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. 20 For by works of the law
no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

21 But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the
Prophets bear witness to it— 22 the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe.
For there is no distinction: 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 and are justified by
his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom God put forward as a propitiation
by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine
forbearance he had passed over former sins. 26 It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that
he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.
27 Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but
by the law of faith. 28 For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE



HOLY GOSPEL

John 8:31–36

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

31So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my
disciples, 32and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." 33They answered him, "We are
offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become
free'?"
34Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. 35The
slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. 36So if the Son sets you free, you will
be free indeed."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

APOSTLES' CREED

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

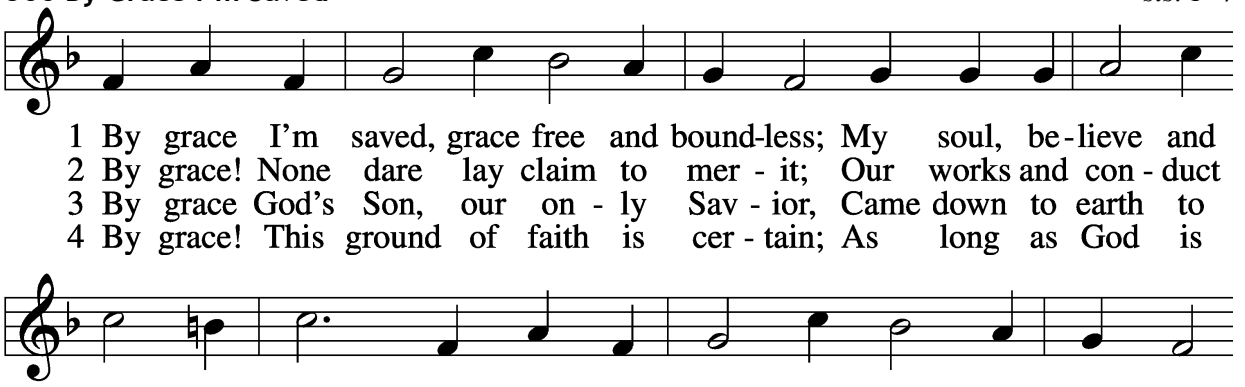
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the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

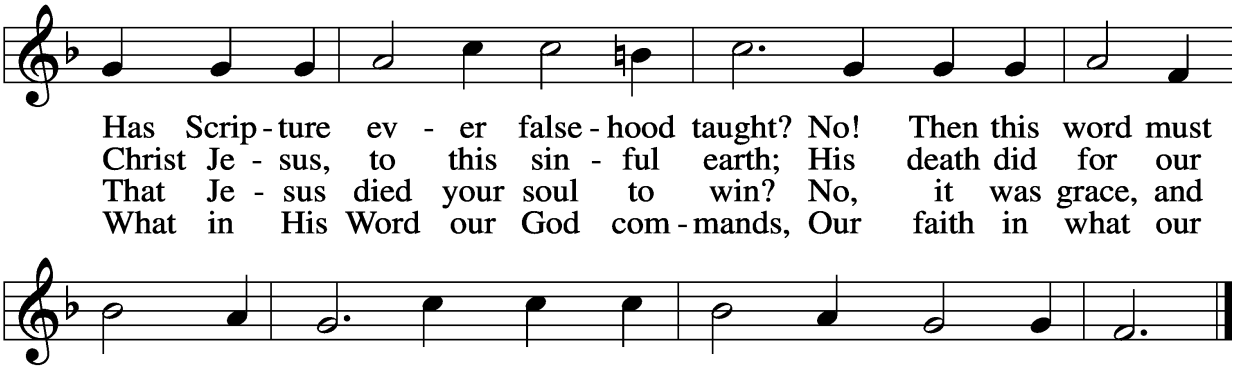
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✝ everlasting. Amen.

Sit

566 By Grace I'm Saved

sts. 1–4





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SERMON -"Slave Set Free" *John 8:31–36*

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Sit

OFFERING

Stand

LORD'S PRAYER

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

BENEDICAMUS *LSB 212*

A Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

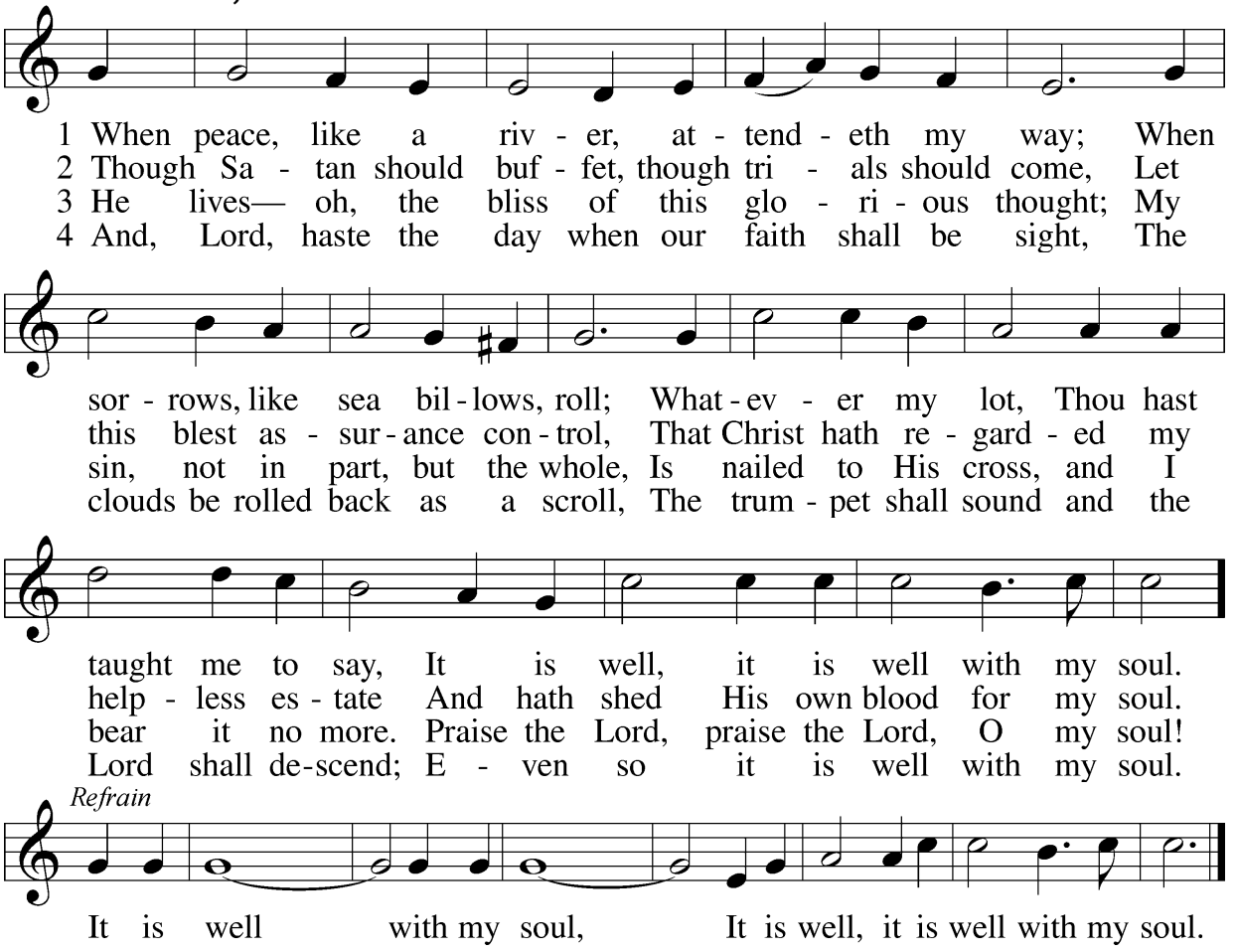
BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✢ give you peace.

C **Amen.**

Sit

763 When Peace, like a River



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Attendance Last Sunday: 68
Offering Last Sunday: $2131 (Needed weekly = $3193)
Building Fund: $1740

IN OUR PRAYERS

HEALING AND CARE: for those suffering from cancer: Dan Henderson, Sheri Bravenec, Frank Wagner, Barbara Feltner, Tom Arb, Kathy Bigham, Terry Murphy

CONTINUED HEALING: Christopher Smith, Gabriella Schultz, Michael Nally, Charlie Timberlane, Logan Brady, Jean Curtis, Carl Sluder, Raymond Zorn, Lyn Wren, David Wagner, Cecil McMullen, Mark Feltner, Diane Schulze, Pete Scheid, Glenn Templeton, Harley Browning, Ruby Zorn, Lavon Haney, Pastor Jim Kirschenmann, Pam Templeton, Diane Harries, Don Bauck, Kevin Lewis (Debbie Bauck brother-in-law), Bill McDonald, Jr, Chase and Sidney Buchanon, Janet Klug (Kathryn's sister), Donna Silver

SHUT-INS: Don Becker, Virginia Elmore, Jim & Pat Croucher

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME to all who worship with us this morning, especially our guests. You are invited to coffee and snacks following the service then Bible Study and Sunday School at 10:30.

Pastor Tegtmeier will be in the office on Tuesday Mornings or he can be reached at 620-343-4371.

Choir practice started back up on Oct 21st at 6:30 pm. It is still not too late to come join us.

Voters Meeting today right after church.

"Care Package" names and addresses of college students or military family members needs to be submitted by November 8th to Karen Persinger. DOZ will be collecting goodies until November 15th.

DOZ will collecting warm, winter scarves, hats, and gloves. They will be collecting these items through November 22.

SERVANTS IN THE LORD'S HOUSE

	Sunday 10/25	Next Sunday 11/1
Greeters	Delmer & Jo	Marvin & Kathryn
Reader	Robert Knoernschild	Dwight Becker
Organist	Tanya Fraker	Tanya Fraker
Acolyte	Evan Dean	Loren Eissler
Ushers	Lynn Silver©, Jeff Heidenreich©, Marvin Zorn, Donice Browning	Dwight Becker©, Shane Anschutz©, Reed Silver, Jeff Heidenreich
Elder	Braeden Murphy	Greg Schultz
Lay Assistant	Phillip Wendling**, Dwight Becker	Loren Eissler**, Greg Schultz

**** Serves wine & Pastor** **© Center aisle, hands out bulletins**

NOTE TO OUR GUESTS AND VISITORS

We are very glad you are here! Our services may look and sound different (other worldly, perhaps), but please bear with us! We worship the way we do for a reason and there is a certain rhythm involved. We gather to receive the gifts of salvation our Living Triune God comes to serve through His Word and Sacrament. In these gifts we receive the enlivening of our faith, forgiveness from our sins, and life eternal. Worship is the unwrapping of these gifts. The liturgy, hymns, and preaching proclaim His Word to us. They remind us of the promise of salvation as a gift we have in our baptism, and they prepare our hearts and minds to receive the Lord's Supper. Through these means of grace God comes to serve us in this Divine Service, and so our worship is centered around receiving these gifts of God through faith.

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