February 2, 2025

Welcome

The Hymn of Invocation

729 I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus

- 1 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus, Trusting only Thee; Trusting Thee for full salvation, Great and free.
- 3 I am trusting Thee for cleansing In the crimson flood; Trusting Thee to make me holy By Thy blood.
- 4 I am trusting Thee to guide me; Thou alone shalt lead, Ev'ry day and hour supplying All my need.
- I am trusting Thee for power;
 Thine can never fail.
 Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me Must prevail.
- I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus;
 Never let me fall.
 I am trusting Thee forever
 And for all.

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Invocation and Confession of Sins.....(pg. 151 in Lutheran Service Book) In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

Let us then confess all our sins to God our Father.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

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 the Word I therefore announce the full forgiveness of all our sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Kyrie.....(pg. 152 in Lutheran Service Book)
In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Hymn Of Praise.....(pg. 155 in Lutheran Service Book)

This is the Feast of Victory

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord be with you.

♪ And also with you.

Let us Pray: O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Epistle Ephesians 1:15-23

For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people, I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Verse.....(pg. 156 in Lutheran Service Book)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
 You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Gospel John 15:1-8

♪ Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] "I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

♪ Praise to you, O Christ.

Object Lesson

The Hymn of the Day

596 All Christians Who Have Been Baptized

- All Christians who have been baptized, Who know the God of heaven, And in whose daily life is prized The name of Christ once given: Consider now what God has done, The gifts He gives to ev'ryone Baptized into Christ Jesus!
- 3 But all of that was washed away—
 Immersed and drowned forever.
 The water of your Baptism day
 Restored again whatever
 Old Adam and his sin destroyed
 And all our sinful selves employed
 According to our nature.
- O Christian, firmly hold this gift And give God thanks forever! It gives the power to uplift In all that you endeavor. When nothing else revives your soul, Your Baptism stands and makes you whole And then in death completes you.
- 6 So use it well! You are made new— In Christ a new creation! As faithful Christians, live and do Within your own vocation, Until that day when you possess His glorious robe of righteousness Bestowed on you forever!

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Sermon

The 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.

The Prayers [If you need information to send a card or call to someone for whom we prayed, please contact Pastor John.]

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus And for all people according to their needs.

After each portion of the prayers:

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who taught us to pray:

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Our offerings help to support:

Our Bibles and Hymnals

The Offertory.....(sung to #955 in the Lutheran Service Book)

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.

Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now.

Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

The Preface.....(pg. 160 in Lutheran Service Book)

The Lord be with you.

♪ And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

♪ It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising you and singing:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth, for you have had mercy on us children of men and given your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for the redemption you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit into our hearts that he may establish in us a living faith and prepare us joyfully to remember our Redeemer and receive him who comes to us in his body and blood.

Jesus' Instruction for Holy Communion The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

The Agnus Dei (pg. 163 in Lutheran Service Book)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

[If your body does not tolerate alcohol, the back row of the individual cups are grape juice.]

The Distribution Hymns

549 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

- All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!
 Let angels prostrate fall;
 Bring forth the royal diadem
 And crown Him Lord of all.
 Bring forth the royal diadem
 And crown Him Lord of all.
- 2 Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God, Who from His altar call; Extol the stem of Jesse's rod And crown Him Lord of all. Extol the stem of Jesse's rod And crown Him Lord of all
- Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
 Ye ransomed from the fall,
 Hail Him who saves you by His grace
 And crown Him Lord of all.
 Hail Him who saves you by His grace
 And crown Him Lord of all.

- 4 Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line, Whom David Lord did call, The God incarnate, man divine, And crown Him Lord of all. The God incarnate, man divine, And crown Him Lord of all.
- Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
 The wormwood and the gall,
 Go, spread your trophies at His feet
 And crown Him Lord of all.

 Go, spread your trophies at His feet
 And crown Him Lord of all.
- 6 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, On this terrestrial ball To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all. To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all.
- 7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all. We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all.

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922 Go, My Children, with My Blessing

- Go, My children, with My blessing, Never alone.
 Waking, sleeping, I am with you; You are My own.
 In My love's baptismal river
 I have made you Mine forever.
 Go, My children, with My blessing— You are My own.
- Go, My children, sins forgiven,
 At peace and pure.
 Here you learned how much I love you,
 What I can cure.
 Here you heard My dear Son's story;
 Here you touched Him, saw His glory.
 Go, My children, sins forgiven,
 At peace and pure.
- 3 Go, My children, fed and nourished, Closer to Me; Grow in love and love by serving, Joyful and free. Here My Spirit's power filled you; Here His tender comfort stilled you. Go, My children, fed and nourished, Joyful and free.
- 4 I the Lord will bless and keep you
 And give you peace;
 I the Lord will smile upon you
 And give you peace:
 I the Lord will be your Father,
 Savior, Comforter, and Brother.
 Go, My children; I will keep you
 And give you peace.

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The body and blood of our Lord strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the faith to life everlasting. Go in peace.

Amen.

The Post Communion Canticle (pg. 164 in Lutheran Service Book)

Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy With shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

We give thanks to you, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through this good 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.

Amen.

Benediction

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.

The Final Hymn

818 In Thee Is Gladness

In Thee is gladness
Amid all sadness,
Jesus, sunshine of my heart.
By Thee are given
The gifts of heaven,
Thou the true Redeemer art.
Our souls Thou wakest,
Our bonds Thou breakest;
Who trusts Thee surely
Has built securely;
He stands forever: Alleluia!
Our hearts are pining
To see Thy shining,
Dying or living
To Thee are cleaving;

Naught can us sever: Alleluia!

We fear no powers,
Not of earth nor sin nor death.
He sees and blesses
In worst distresses;
He can change them with a breath.
Wherefore the story
Tell of His glory
With hearts and voices;
All heav'n rejoices
In Him forever: Alleluia!
We shout for gladness,
Triumph o'er sadness,
Love Him and praise Him
And still shall raise Him
Glad hymns forever: Alleluia!

Since He is ours,

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Server Schedule

	2/2	2/9	2/16
	8:30	8:30	8:30
Elder	Herold	Herold	Dan
Reader	Edwin	Nanette	Pat
PowerPoint	Phil	Shirley	Wanda
Organ	Linda	Linda	Linda
Audio	Steve	Steve	Steve
Visuals	Ben/Greg	Preston	Amy
	10:30	10:30	10:30
Elder	Gordon	Mike	Greg
Reader	Delka	Karen	Rosemary
PowerPoint	Lisa	Erik	Vicki
Audio/Visuals	Hayden/Donovan	Conor/Edwin	Mike/Preston
Counters	John Da/James	Adria/Michelle	John Di/Wayne
	Both	Both	Both
Altar Guild	Dan/Amy	Monika/Inge	Nancy D
Altar Flowers	Freeman	Prossers	Biancos

Altar flowers are given by Kathy Freeman to the glory of God.

Birthdays this Week

02/05 Herold Schulz02/06 Pat Sorenson

Anniversaries this Week

None on record