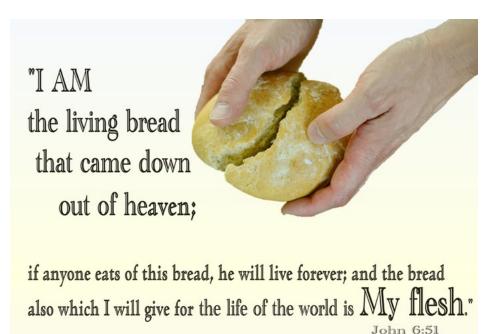
For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord... Plans to give you Hope and a Juture Jeremiah 29:11

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Making Christ Known Through His Gospel

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What is the Lord's Supper?

It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and the wine, for Christians to eat and to drink. Jesus himself started this practice. The Lord's Supper assures Christians of the forgiveness of our sins and draws us closer to the Lord and His people. If you believe this and are baptized, please come join us at the Altar today for the Lord's Supper. If you have any questions about The Lord's Supper or your participation, please see Pastor.

Please note in the communion tray The darker colored cups contain wine. The center lighter cups contain grape juice.

We encourage you to bring your children to the Alter. If they have not been confirmed in the faith or a not baptized, please have them cross the arms across their chest for a blessing.

WELCOME to our worship service this morning.

We invite you to worship with us often and consider our family of faith your family. We pray God's rich blessings upon you as you hear His Word and praise His holy name.

Everything you need for worship is printed in this bulletin. However, we do present the entire service on the front screen for you convenience. Also, Quiet Bags (for our very young worshipers) are available at the entrance of the Sanctuary.

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INVOCATION

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

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.

P: Fear the Lord, you his saints, for those who fear him lack nothing!

C: Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers him out of them all.

Silence for self-examination

- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
- C: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.
- P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and given to us His only Son to suffer and die for our salvation. 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 ¹ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

- P: He who began this good work in you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C: Amen

† SERVICE OF THE WORD †

INTROIT

Psalm 111:1-5, 9; antiphon: v. 10

- P: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!
- C: Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.
- P: Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them.
- C: Full of splendor and majesty is His work, and His righteousness endures forever.
- P: He has caused His wondrous works to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and merciful.
- C: He provides food for those who fear Him; He remembers His covenant forever.
- P: He sent redemption to His people; He has commanded His covenant forever.

Holy and awesome is His name!

C: 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. P: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!

KYRIE

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

- P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: 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.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C: Amen

SALUTATION

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow His steps in the way that

leads to life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Joshua 24:1–2a, 14–18 ("As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.")

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel. And they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, . . .

"Now therefore fear the Lord and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness. Put away the gods that your fathers served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods, for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our fathers up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight and preserved us in all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed. And the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God."

Jim: This is the Word of the Lord.C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 34:12-22; antiphon: v. 11

Jim: What man is there who desires life and loves many days, that he may see good?

C: Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit.

- Jim: Turn away from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.
- C: The eyes of the Lord are toward the righteous and his ears toward their cry.
- Jim: The face of the Lord is against those who do evil, to cut off the memory of them from the earth.
- C: When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears and delivers them out of all their troubles.
- Jim: The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.
- C: Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers him out of them all.
- Jim: He keeps all his bones; not one of them is broken.

C: Affliction will slay the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.

Jim: The Lord redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

EPISTLE

Ephesians 5:6–21 (Walk not as the unwise but as the wise in faith.)

Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. Therefore do not become partners with them; for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

"Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Jim: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

VERSE John 6:68

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

HOLY GOSPEL

John 6:51–69 ("You have the words of eternal life.")

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

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

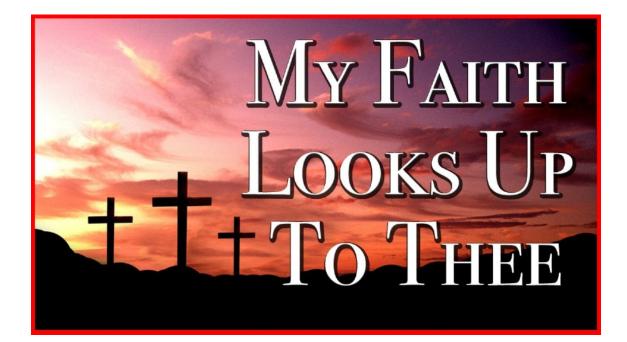
The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers ate, and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever." Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as he taught at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?" But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, "Do you take offense at this? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But there are some of you who do not believe." (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) And he said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father."

After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. So Jesus said to the twelve, "Do you want to go away as well?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.





GOD'S MESSAGE

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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 ¹7 of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P: Father, we thank You that You have sent the great Good Shepherd who has compassion on His flock. In His name, we lift up our prayers for the family of God; for every nation, tribe, people and language; and for all those who hunger for the true bread of life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Grant us always, O God, to work for the food that endures to eternal life. Bless the ministry of this congregation in our community, that many may embrace Jesus as the Christ and believe that He is the true bread of God who has come from heaven. Grant that we would never hunger or thirst for anything but Christ and His righteousness. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: O Lord, our God, we pray for Your blessing upon all homes and schools, especially the schools, universities and seminaries of our church. Bless all places where Your people gather to teach and learn Your Word, and help us to remember that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Almighty God, You place men in positions of authority for the sake of order. Grant wisdom to Joseph Biden, our president; MLG, our governor; our judges; those in law enforcement; and all who hold offices of public trust in our land, that they might not act for selfish gain but serve according to Your will for the benefit of all people. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Bestow Your power of healing upon the sick that in accordance with Your will, they may give thanks to Your name. Give Your Spirit of hope to the depressed, the lonely and those who mourn the death of loved ones. Strengthen their faith and assure them of Your presence in all circumstances. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Holy Father, Your Son assures us that His flesh is true food and His blood true drink, and that those who feed on Him will live forever because of Him. By Your Spirit, prepare our hearts to welcome Him as He comes to us in this Holy Supper, that we may rejoice in His promises and depart in His peace. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

We open our hearts to you O Lord...

- P: O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.





† SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT †

PREFACE

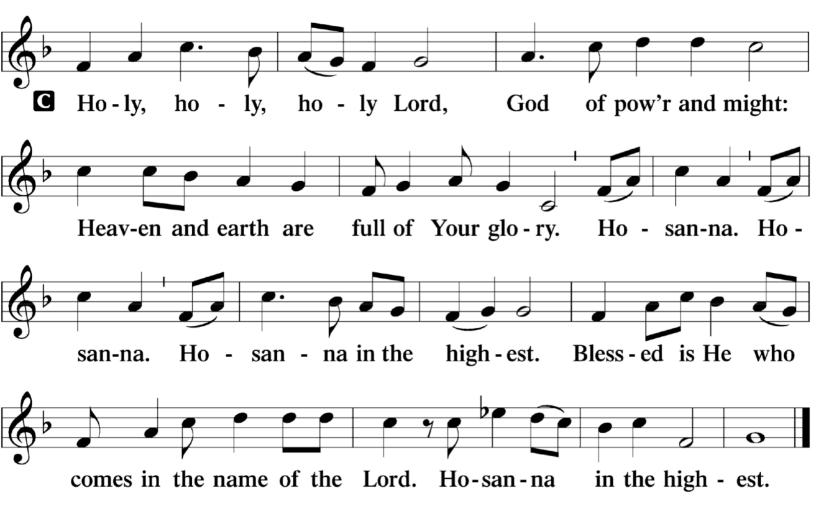
2 Timothy 4:22

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also 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 Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your onlybegotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

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

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20

- P: As often as we eat His body and drink His blood, we proclaim the Lord's death and resurrection until He comes.
- C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9–13

All: 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.

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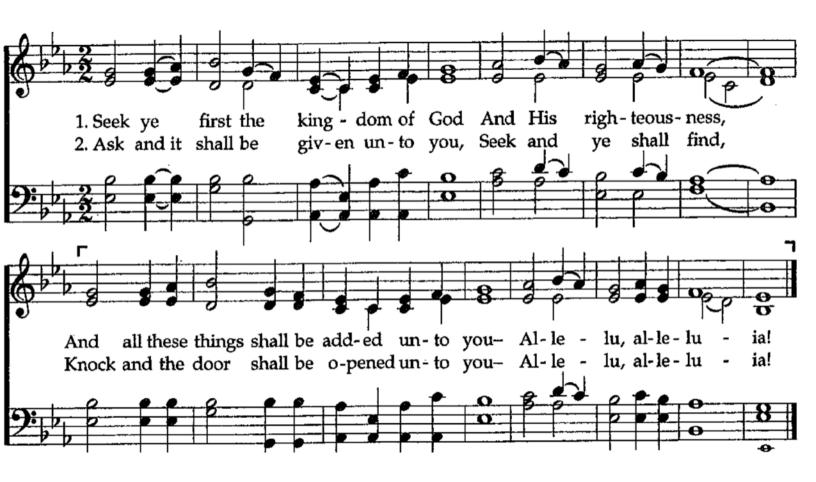
P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.C: Amen.

You may come forward for communion Where Christ comes to us to nourish the faith of Christians and the church.

We Gather Together



Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God



POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, we thank and praise You for feeding us the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send us Your Holy Spirit that, having with our mouths received the Holy Sacrament, we may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24–26

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.

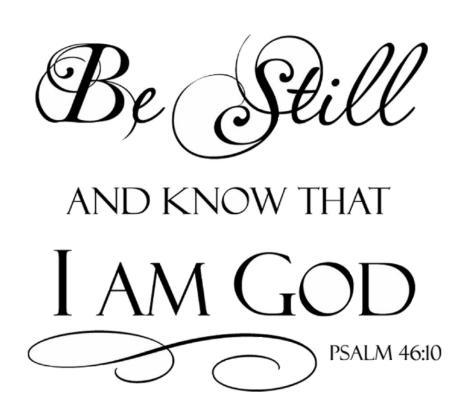
C: Amen.





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