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Divine Service II

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VISITORS WELCOME! A special welcome to any visitors and guests who are with us today. Please sign the guestbook near the front door and introduce yourself to the pastor after the service. We pray that the hearing and receiving of the Word of God in our midst will be filled with joy and thanksgiving!

HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated every Sunday and on Feast Days. Visiting communicant members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to commune today. All other visitors are asked to speak with the pastor before coming to the altar. If there is time before the service, introduce yourself to the pastor or an elder. Other visitors are invited to use this time for prayer. If you desire information about attending communion, you are encouraged to visit with the pastor after the service today.

PRAYERS OF PREPARATION are found in the cover of the hymnals. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer. **Please turn off and put away all electronic devices during the service.**

+SERVING TODAY+

Elder: Jim Vescova

Greeter: Linda Polcin

Organist: Evone Hagerman

Altar Guild: Angela Pynaker & Diana Dissen

Fellowship: Today's fellowship snacks are provided by the Weathersbys.

Stand

Invocation

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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

+CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION+

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

+SERVICE OF THE WORD+

Introit

Ps. 119:1-2, 5-6; antiphon: Ps. 119:137, 124



Righteous are You, | O LORD,*

and right are Your | just decrees.

Deal with Your servant according to Your | steadfast love,*

and teach me Your | statutes.

Blessèd are those whose way is | blameless,*

who walk in the law | of the LORD!

Blessèd are those who keep His testi- | monies,*

who seek Him with their | whole heart.

Oh that my ways may be | steadfast*

in keeping Your | statutes!

Then I shall not be | put to shame,*

having my eyes fixed on all Your com- | mandments.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Righteous are You, | O LORD,*

and right are Your | just decrees.

Deal with Your servant according to Your | steadfast love,*

and teach me Your | statutes.

Kyrie

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Gloria in Excelsis

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

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Lord, we implore You, grant Your people grace to withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds to follow You, the only God; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns

with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Sit

Old Testament Reading

Proverbs 25:6–14

⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king’s presence
or stand in the place of the great,
⁷for it is better to be told, “Come up here,”
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

What your eyes have seen
⁸do not hastily bring into court,
for what will you do in the end,
when your neighbor puts you to shame?
⁹Argue your case with your neighbor himself,
and do not reveal another’s secret,
¹⁰lest he who hears you bring shame upon you,
and your ill repute have no end.

¹¹A word fitly spoken
is like apples of gold in a setting of silver.
¹²Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold
is a wise reprover to a listening ear.
¹³Like the cold of snow in the time of harvest
is a faithful messenger to those who send him;
he refreshes the soul of his masters.
¹⁴Like clouds and wind without rain
is a man who boasts of a gift he does not give.

Gradual

Ps. 33:12, 6



**Blessèd is the nation whose God | is the LORD,*
the people whom He has chosen as His | heritage!
By the word of the LORD the heav- | ens were made,*
and by the breath of His mouth | all their host.**

Epistle

Ephesians 4:1–6

¹I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body

and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

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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.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a common time signature (C) and contains the melody for the first line of text. The second staff continues the melody for the second line of text. The lyrics are: "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."

Holy Gospel

Luke 14:1–11

¹One Sabbath, when [Jesus] went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching Him carefully. ²And behold, there was a man before Him who had dropsy. ³And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, “Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?” ⁴But they remained silent. Then He took him and healed him and sent him away. ⁵And He said to them, “Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?” ⁶And they could not reply to these things.

⁷Now He told a parable to those who were invited, when He noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, ⁸“When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, ⁹and he who invited you both will come and say to you, ‘Give your place to this person,’ and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. ¹¹For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

Sit

Seek Where You May to Find a Way

LSB 557

Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed

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Prayer of the Church

Offertory

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Sit

Please be seated as the altar is prepared for the Service of the Sacrament. You are encouraged to use this time to prepare yourself to receive the Sacrament; appropriate prayers are found in the front cover of the hymnal. Visitors, please review the communion statement in the front of the bulletin. Offering may be left at either of the doors to the sanctuary.

*Stand***+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+****Preface**

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Sanctus

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Prayer of Thanksgiving**The Words of Our Lord**

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Proclamation of Christ**Lord's Prayer****Pax Domini**

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Agnus Dei*Sit***Distribution***I Know My Faith Is Founded*

LSB 587

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

LSB 636

How Firm a Foundation

LSB 728

I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

LSB 618

*Stand***Nunc Dimittis**

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Post-Communion Collect

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Benediction*Take My Life and Let It Be*

LSB 784

+ V D M A +

Verbum Domini Manet in Aeternum
The Word of the Lord endures forever

+PRAYER LIST+

- ✘ Those who serve in our armed forces: Austin Nehls, Kevin Boyd, Rev. Lynn Christensen, Rianon Padro, Sean Gleason, Dan Bruins, Rick Zuehls, and for veterans.
- ✘ For the Chianelli family, mourning the loss of Frank's mother, Theresa.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Alberta Helmke, Sean Esser (relative of John Winter), David Kristopeit (Linda Polcin's brother-in-law), Christine (Sandra Babel's mother), Donna Primuth, Betty Boness, and Andrew & Renee Billings & Baby.

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 4+

- ✘ **FIRE NIGHT:** Our final Fire Night of the year is planned for this Friday, October 9th, weather permitting.
- ✘ **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** will resume this week, Oct. 7. We will meet after the Wednesday Divine Service at approximately 9:30 am, in the fellowship hall, practice safe distancing, and bring our own snacks and drinks. Colossians will be studied so it is advised that you read all four chapters if you plan to attend.

+CONTRIBUTIONS+

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$4,460
Lord's Work Received 9/27-10/3:	4,983
Difference Received vs. Needed:	+523
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	-2,901

ATTENDANCE 9/27: 80 Communed: 68

BIRTHDAYS

10/4 Vernon Koch
10/8 Pastor Barkley
10/9 Louie Capriotti
10/10 Roger Lyngen

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

10/5 Katy Billings
10/9 Jake Tobalsky

ANNIVERSARIES

10/7 John & Cheryl Piel (31 years)
10/8 Adrian & Stacy Carrocci (9 years)
10/10 Jerry & Kris Kochman (22 years)

+OCTOBER EVENTS AT MESSIAH+

Friday	Oct. 9	6:00 pm	Fire Night
Thursday	Oct. 15	6:00 pm	Parish Planning Meeting
		7:00 pm	Elders Meeting
Saturday	Oct. 17	9:30 am	Lutheran Confessions Study