

## Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

## Confession & Absolution

- P** Let us confess our sin to God:  
O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, be the God of your people today!
- C** **We confess that we have worshiped too many other gods. We have devoted ourselves to all too many different values.**  
**Turn our hearts to you again!**
- P** O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, be the God of your people today!
- C** **We confess that we have visited all too many sanctuaries. We have tried to find the sources of life in all too many other places.**  
**Turn our hearts to you again!**
- P** O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, be the God of your people today!
- C** **We turn to you, and to you alone, to be our God, our only God.**  
**Forgive our sins. Give us spiritual integrity. Give us wholeness and holiness.**  
**Answer us in the name of Christ, for he has promised to intercede for us.**  
**It is in him that we pray in the fellowship of his body.**  
**Amen.**
- P** Because of Jesus, God has forgiven all our sin. Hear the gospel of Christ from Romans 5:  
"Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."
- C** Amen.

## Psalm

*Psalm 9:1–2, 9–10, 18*

**P** For the needy shall not always be forgotten,  
and the hope of the poor shall not perish forever.

**C** **I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart;  
I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.**

**P** I will be glad and exult in you;  
I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

**C** **The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed,  
a stronghold in times of trouble.**

**P** And those who know your name put their trust in you,  
for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you.

**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.**

## Reading

*Acts 6:1–7*

<sup>1</sup>Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. <sup>2</sup>And the twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. <sup>3</sup>Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. <sup>4</sup>But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.”

<sup>5</sup>And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. <sup>6</sup>These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands on them.

<sup>7</sup>And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

## 1 Timothy 3:8–15

<sup>8</sup>Deacons likewise must be dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain. <sup>9</sup>They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. <sup>10</sup>And let them also be tested first; then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless. <sup>11</sup>Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober-minded, faithful in all things. <sup>12</sup>Let deacons each be the husband of one wife, managing their children and their own households well. <sup>13</sup>For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.

<sup>14</sup>I hope to come to you soon, but I am writing these things to you so that, <sup>15</sup>if I delay, you may know how one ought to behave in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, a pillar and buttress of truth.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Hymn #584

## Faith and Truth and Life Bestowing

1 Faith and truth and life be - stow - ing, O - pen now the  
2 May the Spir - it's pow'r un - ceas - ing Bring to life the

Scrip - tures, Lord, Seed to life e - ter - nal sow - ing,  
hid - den grain, Dai - ly in our hearts in - creas - ing,

Scat - tered on the wind a - broad. Let not hearts, Your  
Bear - ing fruit that shall re - main. So in Scrip - ture,

Word re - ceiv - ing, Like a bar - ren field be found, Choked with  
song, and sto - ry, Sav - ior, may Your voice be heard. Till our

thorns and un - be - liev - ing, Shal - low earth or ston - y ground.  
eyes be - hold Your glo - ry Give us ears to hear Your Word.

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twentieth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>17</sup>And as Jesus was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve disciples aside, and on the way he said to them, <sup>18</sup>“See, we are going up to Jerusalem. And the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and scribes, and they will condemn him to death <sup>19</sup>and deliver him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified, and he will be raised on the third day.”

<sup>20</sup>Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came up to him with her sons, and kneeling before him she asked him for something.

<sup>21</sup>And he said to her, “What do you want?” She said to him, “Say that these two sons of mine are to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your kingdom.” <sup>22</sup>Jesus answered, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am to drink?” They said to him, “We are able.” <sup>23</sup>He said to them, “You will drink my cup, but to sit at my right hand and at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father.” <sup>24</sup>And when the ten heard it, they were indignant at the two brothers. <sup>25</sup>But Jesus called them to him and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. <sup>26</sup>It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, <sup>27</sup>and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, <sup>28</sup>even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Sermon

## Prayer

**P** Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** hear our prayer.

## Apostles' Creed

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.

## 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.

# Holy Communion

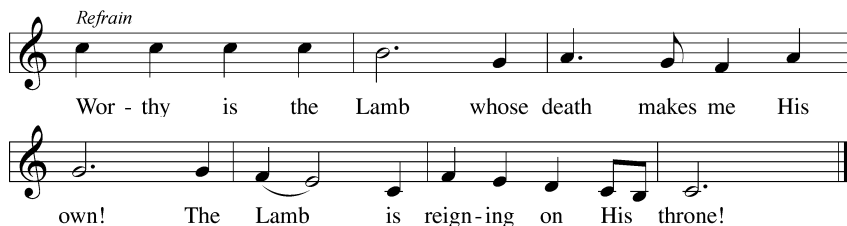
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## The Lamb

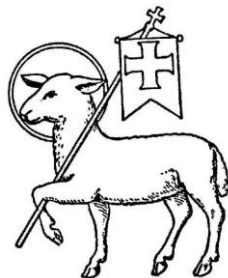
  
1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Fa - ther, where's the sac - ri - fice?  
2 The Lamb, the Lamb, One per - fect fi - nal of - fer - ing.  
3 The Lamb, the Lamb, As way - ward sheep their shep - herd kill  
4 He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretch - ed - ness.  
5 He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now o - ver - flows.

  
Faith sees, be - lieves God will pro - vide the Lamb of price!  
The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing.  
So still, His will On our be - half the Law to fill.  
He lives, for - gives, He gives me His own righ - teous - ness.  
His song pro - long Till ev - 'ry heart to Him be - long.

*Refrain*

  
Wor - thy is the Lamb whose death makes me His  
own! The Lamb is reign - ing on His throne!

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## Distribution Hymn

## Be Unto Your Name

We are a mo - ment, You are for - ev - er, Lord of the a -  
We are the bro - ken, You are the heal - er, Je - sus, Re - deem -

ges, God be - fore time; We are a va - por You are e - ter -  
er, might - y to save; You are the love song we'll sing for - ev -

nal, Love ev - er - last - ing, reign - ing on high.  
er, bow - ing be - fore You, bless - ing Your name.

Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God Al - might - y, Wor - thy is the

Lamb who was slain; High - est prais - es hon - or and glo - ry

be un - to Your name, be un - to Your name.

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## 543 What Wondrous Love Is This



1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What  
2 When I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down, When  
3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; To  
4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; And



won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this That  
I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, When I was sink-ing down Be -  
God and to the Lamb I will sing; To God and to the Lamb, Who  
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free, I'll



caused the Lord of bliss To bear the dread-ful curse for my  
neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a-side His crown for my  
is the great I AM, While mil-lions join the theme, I will  
sing His love for me, And through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing



soul, for my soul, To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul!  
soul, for my soul, Christ laid a-side His crown for my soul.  
sing, I will sing, While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing.  
on, I'll sing on, And through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on.

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# Announcements

## Bible Study \*

Sunday @ 11:30 a.m. (Zoom)

Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m. (Zoom)

\* Please text Pastor Mueller if you have not yet attended and would like a Zoom invitation link sent to your email.

## New Member Class

A new member class will begin November 1st. The classes will be held on Sundays (6:00pm - 7:30pm). Everyone is welcome! Please contact the church office if you or someone you know may be interested in attending.

**Youth Confirmation** - Youth confirmation classes will be held on Sundays (11:30am - 12:30pm) beginning November 1st. Please contact Pastor Mueller if your child will be attending.

**Jr. High/Sr. High** youth group Tuesday Nights at the church from 6:30-8:00pm. Come join us to study Psalm 23 together!

## Mercy Ministries

**Help St. James "Spread the Joy" with Residential Hospice in Glen Carbon!** Currently they are in need of donations to place in their "Spread the Joy" bags which are distributed to patients in assisted living facilities, skilled nursing facilities, and those still living at home. For more information, please contact the church office (618)288-6120 .

## Glen Carbon School

We are collecting winter coats(children's sizes 6-8 / 10-12/14-16) , hats and mittens for girls and boys in need. They need 3 in each size for both girls and boys for now. These have to be new due to Covid Restrictions. Please keep in mind, this is for Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades. Please drop off your donations in the box in the narthex. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

## **MELHS Trunk or Treat**

Metro-East Lutheran High School's Student Council is sponsoring a Trunk-or-Treat in the MELHS parking lot from 6-8 pm on Wednesday October 28th. If you would like to enter a car and hand out candy, please contact MELHS at (618)-656-0043. As an added bonus this year, the Drama Department also plans to have a "Haunted Drive" as you leave the parking lot in your cars! We will be following social distancing guidelines at this event.



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