

THE LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR



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WELCOME

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and our Lord Christ Jesus. We're glad you found your way to us. If you're feeling lost, please be sure to reach out to your neighbor, and they will be happy to answer any questions you might have. We hope you feel welcome and comfortable at Town and Country.

Where our service is marked with a **C** are spoken or sung by the Congregation. Sections marked with an **P** or **L** are for the pastor or worship leaders, and **A** is for Assistant.

A special welcome to those with young children.

We are very delighted you are here today. At Town and Country, we want you to feel at home.

- First, please relax and enjoy your time here. Jesus knows that children tend to wiggle and giggle a bit, so please don't feel embarrassed. Children are always welcome.
- To make it a bit easier on your family, please dare to sit toward the front where your children can easily see. Encourage them to note the colors, hear the music, watch the pastor, and embrace the action at the altar. What Jesus is doing here promises to engage them.
- As we go along, softly explain the liturgy to your children, encouraging them to join in on parts. *Amen! Lord have mercy! Our Father!* These belong to them, too.
- Be sure to sing, speak, and pray your parts also as you sit and stand. Your children learn by following your lead.
- If you must leave, please hurry back. We want your children here with us!
- If you need a little help, please ask. There are many people here who will lend you a hand.

Please know that while you are caring for your children, the rest of us will be rejoicing with you in Jesus words, **“Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.”** (Luke 18:16-17 ESV)

We know that your children are a gift to the Church, so we will do our best to welcome, encourage, and bless you all. Welcome to Town and Country Lutheran Church.

AS WE GATHER

There are many things that can define who we are: our relationships, our jobs, our language, our socioeconomic status, our location, or many others. Today, we focus on our identity in Jesus. Who are we because of Jesus? We will find that ultimately, we are not defined by what we do but by what Jesus does for us. Because of Jesus and His work and His ways, we are delivered and set free from sin and the assaults of Satan. You are a forgiven child of God!



PREPARATION

WELCOME

HYMN OF INVOCATION

COME AS YOU ARE | *HeartSong*

Verse 1

Come out of sadness from wherever you've been

**Come broken-hearted let rescue begin
Come find your mercy O sinner come kneel**

**Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal**

Chorus

**(So) Lay down your burdens lay down your shame
All who are broken lift up your face
O wanderer come home
You're not too far
So lay down your hurt lay down your heart
Come as you are**

Verse 2

**There's hope for the hopeless
And all those who've strayed**

**Come sit at the table come taste the grace
There's rest for the weary
Rest that endures
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't cure**

Bridge

**Come as you are
Fall in His arms
Come as you are**

Verse 3

**There's joy for the morning O sinner be still
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal**

Ending

**Come as you are
Come as you are
Come as you are**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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.

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

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 134; antiphon: Psalm 33:8

- P** Let all the earth fear the LORD;
let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!
- C** Come, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD,
who stand by night in the house of the LORD!
- P** Lift up your hands to the holy place
and bless the LORD!
- C** May the LORD bless you from Zion,
he who made heaven and 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.
- P** Let all the earth fear the LORD;
let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!

KYRIE

Mark 10:47



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

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



- 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-shipped 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.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, You reign among us by the preaching of Your cross. Forgive Your people their offenses that we, being governed by Your bountiful goodness, may enter at last into Your eternal paradise; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Malachi 3:13–18

¹³“Your words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, ‘How have we spoken against you?’ ¹⁴You have said, ‘It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts?’ ¹⁵And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape.”

¹⁶Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name. ¹⁷“They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. ¹⁸Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Colossians 1:13–20

¹³He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HYMN

AT THE CROSS (LOVE RAN RED) | HeartSong

Verse 1

There's a place
Where mercy reigns and never dies
There's a place
Where streams of grace flow deep and wide
Where all the love I've ever found
Comes like a flood comes flowing down

Verse 2

There's a place
Where sin and shame are powerless
Where my heart
Has peace with God and forgiveness
Where all the love I've ever found
Comes like a flood comes flowing down

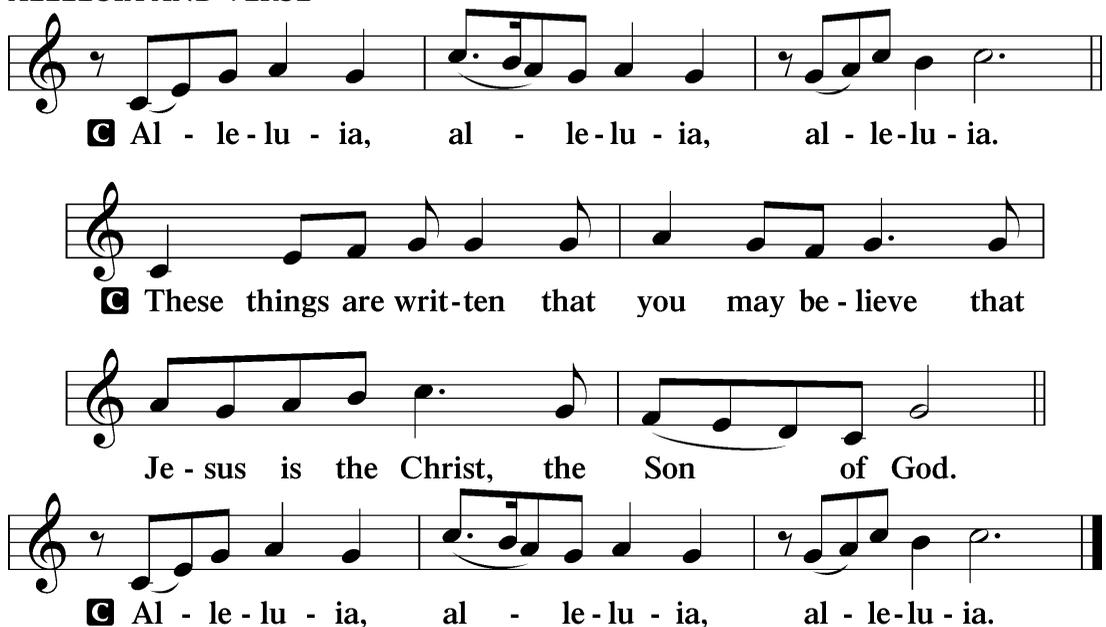
Chorus

At the cross at the cross
I surrender my life
I'm in awe of You I'm in awe of You
Where Your love ran red and my sin washed white
I owe all to You I owe all to You (Jesus)

Bridge

Here my hope is found
Here on holy ground
Here I bow down here I bow down
Here arms open wide
Here You saved my life
Here I bow down here I bow (down)

ALLELUIA AND VERSE



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in treble clef with a 7/8 time signature. The first staff is for the Alleluia chorus, the second for the start of the verse, the third for the continuation of the verse, and the fourth for the final Alleluia chorus. Each staff includes a square icon with a 'C' in the bottom left corner, likely indicating copyright or a specific recording.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-third chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁷And there followed [Jesus] a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. ²⁸But turning to them Jesus said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹For behold, the days are coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!’ ³⁰Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us,’ and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ ³¹For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?”

³²Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴And Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” And they cast lots to divide his garments. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!” ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, “Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!” ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.” ⁴²And he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” ⁴³And he said to him, “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

C 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.



1 Lord, en - throned in heav'n - ly splen - dor, First - be - got - ten
 2 Though the low - liest form now veil You As of old in
 3 Pas - chal Lamb, Your of - f'ring, fin - ished Once for all when
 4 Life - im - part - ing heav'n - ly man - na, Strick - en rock with



from the dead, You a - lone, our strong de - fend - er,
 Beth - le - hem, Here as there Your an - gels hail You,
 You were slain, In its full - ness un - di - min - ished
 stream - ing side, Heav'n and earth with loud ho - san - na



Lift - ing up Your peo - ple's head. Al - le - lu - ia,
 Branch and flow'r of Jes - se's stem. Al - le - lu - ia,
 Shall for - ev - er - more re - main, Al - le - lu - ia,
 Wor - ship You, the Lamb who died, Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus, true and
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! We in wor - ship
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Cleans - ing souls from
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ris'n, as - cend - ed,



liv - ing bread! Je - sus, true and liv - ing bread!
 join with them; We in wor - ship join with them.
 ev - 'ry stain; Cleans - ing souls from ev - 'ry stain.
 glo - ri - fied! Ris'n, as - cend - ed, glo - ri - fied!

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SERMON

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P O Christ, our King, live forever! You have made peace for us by the blood of Your cross. You have pleaded with the Father for our pardon, and through You all things are reconciled to God. By Your Spirit, lead us to never-ending joy and thanksgiving that You have redeemed us by Your Passion from wrath and damnation. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

The close and response to each petition is....

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

The prayer concludes...

P O Christ, our King, in Your blood the saints of all ages wash their robes and find entrance to paradise with You. Bring us also with them out of death and the grave and into resurrection and eternal life at the Last Day, when we will see You crowned with glory; for You are the Lamb who was slain and now lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OFFERING

*(It is our desire to know you and to meet your special needs. Please, fill in the **Worship Attendance Card** which is found in your bulletin, and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher as you leave.)*

OFFERTORY

Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19



C What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to



me? I will of-fer the sac-ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru-sa-lem.



SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]

- 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.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

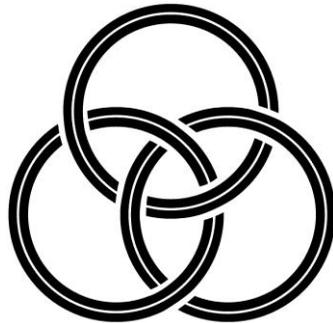
In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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.



THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI

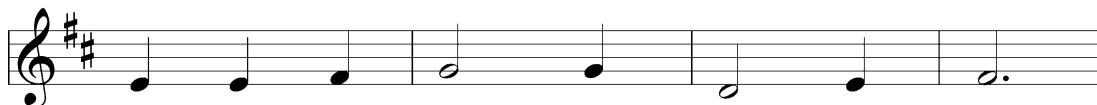
John 1:29



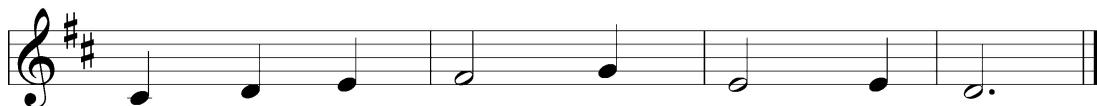
C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke



DISTRIBUTION HYMNS



DISTRIBUTION HYMN

SING, MY TONGUE, THE GLORIOUS BATTLE | LSB 454



1 Sing, my tongue, the glo - rious bat - tle; Sing the end - ing
 2 Tell how, when at length the full - ness Of the ap - point - ed
 3 Thus, with thir - ty years ac - com - plished, He went forth from
 4 Faith - ful cross, true sign of tri - umph, Be for all the
 5 Un - to God be praise and glo - ry; To the Fa - ther



of the fray. Now a - bove the cross, the tro - phy,
 time was come, He, the Word, was born of wom - an,
 Naz - a - reth, Des - tined, ded - i - cat - ed, will - ing,
 no - blest tree; None in fo - liage, none in blos - som,
 and the Son, To the e - ter - nal Spir - it hon - or



Sound the loud tri - um - phant lay; Tell how Christ, the
 Left for us His Fa - ther's home, Blazed the path of
 Did His work, and met His death; Like a lamb He
 None in fruit thine e - qual be; Sym - bol of the
 Now and ev - er - more be done; Praise and glo - ry



world's re - deem - er, As a vic - tim won the day.
 true o - be - dience, Shone as light a - midst the gloom.
 hum - bly yield - ed On the cross His dy - ing breath.
 world's re - demp - tion, For the weight that hung on thee!
 in the high - est While the time - less a - ges run.

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN

I KNEEL DOWN | *HeartSong*

Chorus

**I come just as I am
This is my only plea
One hope in which I trust
This blood was shed for me**

Verse 1

**On the bloodstained ground
Where the shadow falls
Of a cross and a crown of thorns
I kneel down I kneel down
I lift my eyes to a tearstained face
Who is this dying in my place
I kneel down I kneel down**

Verse 2

**As You wash the stains
Of my guilty heart
'Til I'm clean in every part
I kneel down I kneel down
Wash away my shame my pain my pride
Every sin that I once denied
I kneel down I kneel down**

Bridge

**This is where I'll always come
This is where I'll always run
To worship You
This is where I'll always come
This is where I'll always run
To worship You Jesus**

Ending

**Jesus worship Jesus
Jesus worship Jesus
Worship Jesus**

THE DISMISSAL

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C Amen.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Luke 2:29–32

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
 part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
 glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;
 A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
 For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
 to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
 now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
 peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
 sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary 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.

C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

Psalm 103:1

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.

HYMN TO DEPART

THINE THE AMEN, THINE THE PRAISE | LSB 680

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

P The service is ended; go in peace, to love and serve our Lord.

C In the name of Jesus. Amen.

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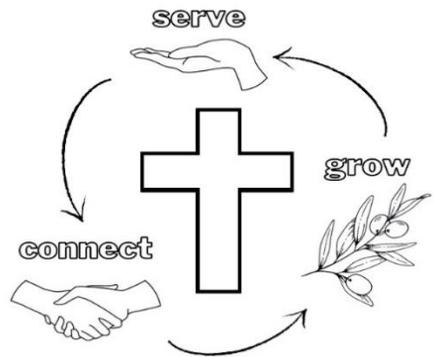
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NEW TO TOWN AND COUNTRY

We welcome those new and visiting Town and Country! We hope you have a wonderful experience with our Town & Country Family. Feel free to take a pamphlet from the wall to the left of our Connecting Point Station or a copy of Portals of Prayer. You may also sign our Guest Book at the church entrance.

If you are new to Town and Country, our worship experiences at Town incorporate a variety of hymns, songs, voices, and instruments with the goal of focusing on Jesus. We pray the Spirit, working through the Word, impacts your life with Christ. Have a blessed day!



ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICE

Assisted Listening Devices are available from the ushers as you enter the church. For assistance, please contact an usher.

COMMUNION

The Lord's Supper is a wonderful gift given to us by God. In the bread and wine, Christ gives His body and blood to forgive sins, renews faith, and causes Godly and brotherly love to grow. We remember and praise God for the sacrifice Christ made on our behalf on the cross. Out of pastoral concern and care and taking to heart the word in 1 Corinthians 11:28, "A person ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink of the cup." To receive this means of God's grace properly we should positively answer the following, "Do I need forgiveness for sin?" "Do I believe in Christ as my Savior?" "Do I trust that Christ is present in the bread and wine?" "Do I desire to turn from sin and live anew to God and to others in love and service?"

- If you are unsure about what it means to take the Lord's Supper, please speak to the pastor prior to the service.
- Children are invited to attend with folded hands below the rail to receive a blessing. Youth recently confirmed or who have completed an Early Communion class are encouraged to hold out their hand to assist the servers in distribution.
- Grape juice is available in the center of the serving tray. Gluten free wafers are available by request.

Let's now celebrate the Love of the Lamb of God

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Pastor	Reverend Trevor Mankin
Lay Ministers	Kirk Schild, Rod Oswalt
Ushers	John & Julie Parrish, Dave Sholz, Rich Nelson
Greeter	Rich Nelson
Reader	Rich Nelson
Organist	Jerilynn Reed
Praise Band	HeartSong
Sound	Tom Matthews
Screen	John Parrish & Ben Dotson
Altar Guild	Ann Kretzmann, Karen Colston
Fellowship	Linda, Paul & Tania Bastron



PRAYER LIST

Serving Jesus at home...

Askalu Amelash
Bonnie Bachtold
Jan Brenner
Chad Buford
Louise Cobeldick
Mary Harrell
Bill Hirschfelt
Harold Meyer
Gary Wiedeman

PRAYER REQUESTS

Jody Stewart

Prayer requests to be included in morning prayers can be given to an usher before church, who will pass it on to the Pastor. If you want to request prayer from "The Prayer Connection" please call Marge Otto (916) 481-3593 – After 6 PM please call Tracy Sanderson (916) 396-0846

PASTORAL CARE

Contact Pastor Mankin:

Email: pastor.mankin@tclutheranchurch.org

Phone: 916.481.2542 ext. 2

PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

It is that time of year when we will be putting the Discretionary Fund envelopes in the bulletins. This is a chance for you to contribute towards a fund that gives directly to the community. People who call the church for financial assistance are given funds for rent or hotel room, utilities, food, gas, medical, etc. Last year the church gave a total of about \$4,000 towards this fund. People who are helped are usually invited to church and given a devotion booklet. *Thank you for contributing towards this fund!!*

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

OFFICE HOURS

November 20 - 27, 2022

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM, Monday-Tuesday

Email: matt@tclutheranchurch.org

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

- 9:30 am Divine Service
10:30 am Fellowship
11:00 am Bible Class, led by Pastor Mankin

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21

- 6:00 pm Adult Volleyball

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

- 10:00 am Joy in the Morning Bible Class
5:30 pm Hand Bells Rehearsal
7:00 pm Thanksgiving Eve Service

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Happy Thanksgiving!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

- 9:30 am Divine Service
10:30 am Fellowship
11:00 am Bible Class, led by Pastor Mankin

LWML STOCKING STUFFERS

The LWML is looking for donations of wrapped candy to stuff stockings for those in need during the holidays.

Please consider helping out.

Donations can be left at the Connecting Point, at the church entrance.

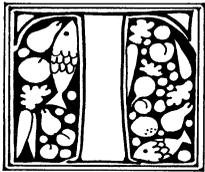
FAREWELL COLSTONS!

On **Sunday, December 4th** we will have a “Goodbye Party” for Roy and Karen Colston. It will be a **potluck brunch after church.**

Bring a dish to share!

Many of you know that Roy and Karen are moving to Florida in January. They were a blessing here at T&C and will be greatly missed.

May the Lord bless their big move!



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SERVICE

**Wednesday, November 23rd
7:00 PM**

**Singers! We are practicing for the season.
Meet after church on Wednesday evenings in Advent.
(November 30, December 7, December 14)**



Conversations with the Angels

Wednesdays at 7:00 pm

November 30th – *Promises Fulfilled*

December 7th – *Prayers Understood*

December 14th – *Praises Called For*

Join us for the “Conversations with the Angels” Advent worship series as we listen to the angels associated with the story of Christ’s birth. The first service in the series focuses on promises fulfilled as the angel Gabriel tells us about talking to Zechariah and Mary about John the Baptist and baby Jesus. The birth of these two babies fulfills a promise made long ago by God that he would send a Savior we are prepared to see.



CHRISTMAS CAROLING

After church on Sunday, December 18th. Talk to Dave Kretzmann for details.

READERS FOR 2023

To all our Town & Country Readers, thank you for your service (to our Lord) Anyone wanting to be a Reader for 2023, or if you are currently a reader and would like to adjust/amend your schedule, please contact Fred Cary at 916.730.1618 call/text or fredcary@comcast.net by Sunday, December 11th.

*Flowers donated by the Mankin Family
in honor of Evelyn Mankin's 5th birthday!*

ONLINE GIVING

Download the Vanco Mobile App today to contribute to our ministry!

IN MEMORY OF EDWARD NANNINI

Some of you may remember Diane Nannini, a long-time member here at T&C who passed away in 2017. Her and her husband "Ed" owned Delta Restaurant Supply. If you were not aware, all of the current kitchen appliances were donated by the Nannini family after the gym was built. *Thank you, Ed and Diane!* At some point, they left the business in the hands of their son, Rodney. Late in 2019, Rodney sold the property and moved the business and his family out to Tennessee. He asked his father to come along but Ed didn't want to leave the house he lived in for over 40 years and all the memories. In the spring of 2020 he called the church needing some help with chores around the house and that started a relationship between Ed and myself. For about 2 years I went over there 2 times a week to help him with many different things. Ed was lonely but hung in there. He was a very business oriented man, even to the end. It was not always easy to work for him, but I felt like he couldn't get the help otherwise. Even though he was not a church member (he grew up Catholic and didn't want to change) he had fond memories of some of the people still here, and many who have passed on, and he often said he was the only one left. He especially enjoyed cooking for the spaghetti dinners we had here years ago. He may not have always shown it, but he had a big heart. All the way to his last days he prayed every day. I know he had strong faith and wanted the best for everyone. Unfortunately, he was not very healthy in his last years and Edward, a retired Air Force pilot, passed away the day before Veteran's Day on 11/10/2022 at the age of 79. We pray for Rodney and the rest of Ed's family and friends. There may be a graveside service in January, I will keep you informed.

God Bless,
Matt Kretzmann