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Mission Statement

To grow in faith in the Triune God, we teach and study God's Word, receive the sacraments and serve as a joyful witness to believers and unbelievers.

Regarding Communion

HOLY COMMUNION will be celebrated in our service this morning. Scripture indicates that, in Holy Communion:

- Christ gives us his true body and blood with the bread and wine, which believers eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:26-29; John 6:51-58; 1 Corinthians 10:16; 11:23-25).
- Those who commune without repentance and faith can do so to their harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-32).
- By communing, we profess unity in our beliefs with the people communing with us (1 Corinthians 10:16-18).

At this congregation, therefore, all who commune are to examine themselves in repentance. Those not yet baptized and instructed in the Christian faith, or who do not share the beliefs of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, are asked not to commune and to speak to the pastor about receiving instruction. Any who desire may receive a blessing instead of Communion by coming forward and crossing their arms on their chest. Thank you.

De-alcoholized wine is offered at communion in the center circle of the individual cups.

We will do a contactless version in the sanctuary, fellowship hall and parking lot. If you want Communion just roll down your window and it will come your way. Please be patient. Contactless Communion takes a little longer.

*Hymns and content are from the Lutheran Service Book
Divine Service 3*

The people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, “Peace be with you,” as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

Opening Hymn #358

“From Heaven Above to Earth I Come”

- 1 *“From heav’n above to earth I come
To bear good news to ev’ry home;
Glad tidings of great joy I bring,
Whereof I now will say and sing:*
- 2 *“To you this night is born a child
Of Mary, chosen virgin mild;
This little child of lowly birth
Shall be the joy of all the earth.*
- 3 *“This is the Christ, our God Most High,
Who hears your sad and bitter cry;
He will Himself your Savior be
From all your sins to set you free.*
- 4 *“He will on you the gifts bestow
Prepared by God for all below,
That in His kingdom, bright and fair,
You may with us His glory share.*
- 5 *“These are the signs that you shall mark:
The swaddling clothes and manger dark.
There you will find the infant laid
By whom the heav’ns and earth were made.”*
- 6 *How glad we’ll be to find it so!
Then with the shepherds let us go
To see what God for us has done
In sending us His own dear Son.*
- 7 *Come here, my friends, lift up your eyes,
And see what in the manger lies.*

*Who is this child, so young and fair?
It is the Christ Child lying there.*

*8 Welcome to earth, O noble Guest,
Through whom the sinful world is blest!
You came to share my misery
That You might share Your joy with me.*

*9 Ah, Lord, though You created all,
How weak You are, so poor and small,
That You should choose to lay Your head
Where lowly cattle lately fed!*

*10 Were earth a thousand times as fair
And set with gold and jewels rare,
It would be far too poor and small
A cradle for the Lord of all.*

*11 Instead of soft and silken stuff
You have but hay and straw so rough
On which as King, so rich and great,
To be enthroned in royal state.*

*12 And so it pleases You to see
This simple truth revealed to me:
That worldly honor, wealth, and might
Are weak and worthless in Your sight.*

*13 Ah, dearest Jesus, holy Child,
Prepare a bed, soft, undefiled,
A quiet chamber set apart
For You to dwell within my heart.*

*14 My heart for very joy must leap;
My lips no more can silence keep.
I, too, must sing with joyful tongue
That sweetest ancient cradlesong:*

*15 Glory to God in highest heav'n,
Who unto us His Son has giv'n!
While angels sing with pious mirth
A glad new year to all the earth.*

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Confession and Absolution

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

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

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a
true heart and confess our sins unto God our
Father, beseeching Him in the name of our
Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the
Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I 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 98:1-4; antiphon: Isaiah 52:10**

P The LORD has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations,

C **and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.**

- P** Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!
- C** **His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.**
- P** The LORD has made known his salvation;
- C** **he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.**
- P** He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.
- C** **All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.**
- P** Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;
- C** **break forth into joyous song and sing praises!**

**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 LORD has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations,
- C** **and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.**

Kyrie

LSB 186

- C** *Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187

- P** *Glory be to God on high:*
- C** *and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.*

*We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship
Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for
Thy great glory.*

*O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father
Almighty.*

*O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have
mercy upon us.*

*Thou that takest away the sin of the world,
receive our prayer.*

*Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the
Father, have mercy upon us.*

*For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the
Lord.*

*Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.*

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You
wonderfully created us and in the incarnation
of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our
human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive
in Him who made Himself to be like us;
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

Isaiah 61:10–62:3

¹⁰I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;
my soul shall exult in my God,
for he has clothed me with the garments of
salvation;
he has covered me with the robe of
righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest
with a beautiful headdress,
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

¹¹For as the earth brings forth its sprouts,
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to
sprout up,
so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and
praise
to sprout up before all the nations.

¹For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet,
until her righteousness goes forth as brightness,
and her salvation as a burning torch.

²The nations shall see your righteousness,
and all the kings your glory,
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will give.

³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of
the LORD,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Galatians 4:4-7

⁴When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. ⁶And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” ⁷So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia

LSB 190

- C** *Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.*

Holy Gospel

Luke 2:22-40

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.

- C** **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

²²When the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, [Mary and Joseph] brought [Jesus] up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³(as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord”) ²⁴and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.”

²⁵Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. ²⁶And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. ²⁷And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, ²⁸he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said,

²⁹“Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace,
according to your word;
³⁰for my eyes have seen your salvation
³¹that you have prepared in the presence of
all peoples,
³²a light for revelation to the Gentiles,
and for glory to your people Israel.”

³³And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. ³⁴And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, “Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed ³⁵(and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed.”

³⁶And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, ³⁷and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸And coming up at that

very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.

³⁹And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

C 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.

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day #387 "Joy to the World"

- 1 *Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King;
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.*

- 2 *Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.*

- 3 *No more let sins and sorrows grow
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.*

- 4 *He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness*

*And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders of His love.*

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Sermon

Offering

Prayer of the Church

(After each portion of the prayers)

P Lord in Your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

(The prayers conclude)

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 194

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up unto the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface

P It is truly meet, 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; for in the mystery of the Word made flesh You have given us a new revelation of Your glory that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may know and love those things which are not seen. 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

LSB 195

C *Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that
cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.*

Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

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

LSB 197

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 ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

Pax Domini

LSB 197

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

Agnus Dei

LSB 198

C *O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace.
Amen.*

Distribution

We will do a contactless version in the sanctuary and we will provide disposable cups in the parking lot. If you want Communion just roll down your window and it will come your way. Please be patient. Contactless Communion takes a little longer.

(During the distribution, as you wait, take a few moments to meditate on God's Word and the gift we are about to receive at His table. Questions on page 329 of LSB [see [handout or digital version on the Bulletin page of our website](#)] are available for your use.)

Distribution Hymn #384

“Of the Father’s Love Begotten”

- 1 Of the Father’s love begotten
Ere the worlds began to be,
He is Alpha and Omega,
He the source, the ending He,
Of the things that are, that have been,
And that future years shall see
Evermore and evermore.*

- 2 Oh, that birth forever blessèd,
When the virgin, full of grace,
By the Holy Ghost conceiving,
Bore the Savior of our race,
And the babe, the world’s Redeemer,
First revealed His sacred face
Evermore and evermore.*

*3 This is He whom seers in old time
Chanted of with one accord,
Whom the voices of the prophets
Promised in their faithful word.
Now He shines, the long-expected;
Let creation praise its Lord
Evermore and evermore.*

*4 O ye heights of heav'n, adore Him;
Angel hosts, His praises sing.
Pow'rs, dominions, bow before Him
And extol our God and King.
Let no tongue on earth be silent,
Ev'ry voice in concert ring
Evermore and evermore.*

*△5 Christ, to Thee, with God the Father,
And, O Holy Ghost, to Thee
Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving
And unending praises be,
Honor, glory, and dominion,
And eternal victory
Evermore and evermore. Amen.*

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Distribution Hymn #367

“Angels from the Realms of Glory”

*1 Angels from the realms of glory,
Wing your flight o'er all the earth;
Ye who sang creation's story,
Now proclaim Messiah's birth. Refrain*

*ref Come and worship, come and worship;
Worship Christ, the newborn King.*

*2 Shepherds in the field abiding,
Watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with us is now residing,
Yonder shines the Infant Light. Refrain*

*3 Sages, leave your contemplations,
Brighter visions beam afar;
Seek the great Desire of nations,
Ye have seen His natal star. Refrain*

*4 Saints before the altar bending,
Watching long in hope and fear,
Suddenly the Lord, descending,
In His temple shall appear. Refrain*

*△5 All creation, join in praising
God the Father, Spirit, Son,
Evermore your voices raising
To the_ eternal Three in One. Refrain*

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Distribution Hymn #362 "O Sing of Christ"

*1 O sing of Christ, whose birth made known
The kindness of the Lord,
Eternal Word made flesh and bone
So we could be restored.
Upon our frail humanity
God's finger chose to trace*

*The fullness of His deity,
The icon of His grace.*

*2 What Adam lost, none could reclaim,
And Paradise was barred
Until the second Adam came
To mend what sin had marred.
For when the time was full and right
God sent His only Son;
He came to us as life and light
And our redemption won.*

*3 He came to that which was His own,
But He was not received;
Yet still through Him God's glory shone,
And some His name believed.
To these He gave the right to be
The heirs of heav'n above,
Born not of human ancestry
But born of God in love.*

*4 Lord Jesus Christ, You deigned to dwell
Among us here on earth
As God with us, Emmanuel,
To bring this holy birth.
Though rich, You willingly became
One with our poverty,
That we might share Your wealth and name
For all eternity!*

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Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

- C** *Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

Thanksgiving

LSB 200

- P** *O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,*
C *and His mercy endureth forever.*

Post-Communion Collect

- P** Let us pray.
C Amen.

Salutation

LSB 201

- P** *The Lord be with you.*
C *And with thy spirit.*

Benedicamus and Benediction

LSB 202

- P** *Bless we the Lord.*
C *Thanks be to God.*

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and
✠ give you peace.

C Amen, amen, amen.

Closing Hymn #389

“Let All Together Praise Our God”

- 1 *Let all together praise our God
Before His glorious throne;
Today He opens heav'n again
To give us His own Son,
To give us His own Son.*

- 2 *He leaves His heav'nly Father's throne,
Is born an infant small,
And in a manger, poor and lone,
Lies in a humble stall,
Lies in a humble stall.*

- 3 *Within an earthborn form He hides
His all-creating light;
To serve us all He humbly cloaks
The splendor of His might,
The splendor of His might.*

- 4 *He undertakes a great exchange,
Puts on our human frame,
And in return gives us His realm,
His glory, and His name,
His glory, and His name.*

- 5 *He is a servant, I a lord:
How great a mystery!*

*How strong the tender Christ Child's love!
No truer friend than He,
No truer friend than He.*

*6 He is the key and He the door
To blessed paradise;
The angel bars the way no more.
To God our praises rise,
To God our praises rise.*

*△7 Your grace in lowliness revealed,
Lord Jesus, we adore
And praise to God the Father yield
And Spirit evermore;
We praise You evermore.*

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Announcements

P Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

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Trinity Times

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| Today | 9:00 a.m. | Sunday School/Adult Bible Study |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Divine Worship and Holy Communion |
| Wednesday | 1:45 p.m. | Adult Bible Study |
| Sunday | 9:00 a.m. | Sunday School/Adult Bible Study |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Divine Worship and Holy Communion |



"Life Quotes"

December 27 “The slaughter of the innocents continues in our time ... done not out of anger, but because the arrival of these little ones is deemed inconvenient or too expensive or sometimes simply because they are not the ‘right’ sex. We, like Rachel, weep over our lost children. But mourning their loss does not mean that we do not fight to end this assault on the sanctity of life. The holy birth of our Savior Jesus Christ, which has transformed the world for the good in so many ways, gives us hope that abortion, too, can be ended.” *Steven Mosher, Population Research Institute – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*



Luke 2:39 – “And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord...” The Law of God is good. Of course, it always shows us our sins, but that is good, too!

We need to be driven back to the forgiveness of Christ. And the Law also shows us the truly blessed way to live. As Mary and Joseph found their joy in a godly life, so should we see the Law as a guide for Christian living and

the roadmap for saying thank you to the Lord for all His grace and mercy to us.



Any new prayer requests or updates to the current prayer list can be sent via email to tlcparkhills@gmail.com or fill out a Prayer Request Form and leave in the Prayer Request box which can now be found in the Fellowship Hall.



Pastor May and his wife
Vicar David Schmitt and his wife
Diane, friend of Sally Whitener – cancer
Ava Bay, granddaughter of Toni Pepper – pending heart surgery
Dennis Bolger, brother of Kathleen Petty - cancer

Sandy Clark
Charles Chambliss
Norma Curdt
Jan Faskell – health problems
Norman Feltmann
Karen, Aunt to Jesse Hillis – placed on hospice with cancer
Florence Kramer, Fieser Nursing Home, Fenton
Pam Kwan – cousin of Michelle Jones
Mike Miller – tests for numerous health problems
Ava Montgomery – Heart issues
Matt Nickleson – health issues
Rick Sanders and Family
Jan and Jim Schmidt
Wendy Wessel Seabaugh, Jan Streckfuss' niece – treatment for breast cancer
Bill Thomas – health concerns
Brian Turner, cancer, and daughter, Amber
Mike Unger
Kylie Vantroba, granddaughter of Donna Mullins – health issues
Liz Wadlow
Nancy Wildeman, sister of John Kramer
Margie Williams, sister of Sue, Dementia
Nicky Wilson and Family, friends of Michelle Jones – husband and wife have covid and a premature newborn

To keep the prayer list updated, names will be removed from the list after 3 weeks unless otherwise requested.

