

Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church

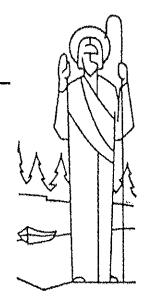
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# **Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church**

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### Church Services are held on Sundays at 9:00 am.

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#### WELCOME GUESTS

We invite you to sign our guest book and/or complete a visitor card to help us remember you. Please let us know if we can serve you in any way. Everyone is welcome to Holy Communion at Shepherd of the Lakes. Come forward as ushers direct, receive the wafer in your hand and move to the wine which is served in the chalice or individual portions as you prefer. We offer grape juice as an alternative to wine. Gluten-free wafers are also available at your request from communion servers when you partake.

#### **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

Empowered by the power of the Holy Spirit and rooted in the Good News of Jesus Christ, we are a loving community that follows Jesus & seeks to hear the Word of God and practice it in our daily lives.

## **Recorded Services:**

All Sunday services at Shepherd of the Lakes are recorded and put on You Tube.

Go to the Church website at

www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org

and look for the symbol. Click on this symbol to take you to the Church's YouTube site

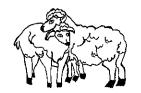
### Readings for September 11, 2022:

1<sup>st</sup> Reading Exodus 32:7-14

Psalm 51:1-10

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading 1 Timothy 1:12-17

Holy Gospel Luke 15:1-10



#### Freed-From and For

Freedom flows through all the readings this day. Moses reminds the people of Israel they have the freedom to choose between life and prosperity or death and adversity. Ironically, this freedom to choose life comes through the freedom to choose obedience to the commands of God. In other words, Moses tells the people, they are free to choose bondage to God and life or bondage to sin and death. Either way they will be bound to something.

In the second reading Paul reminds Philemon that he—Paul—is not free but is a "prisoner of Christ Jesus." This is Paul's linguistic wordplay to help convince Philemon to free his slave Onesimus. Paul reminds Philemon that he has the freedom to hold on to his slave Onesimus and the freedom to grant Onesimus freedom as his brother in Christ.

In the gospel Jesus speaks a challenging word, which resonates in ways that might make modern people a tad uncomfortable. You might phrase it: Do you own your stuff or does your stuff own you? Jesus seems to suggest that our stuff, our possessions, could make it difficult to follow faithfully. It is easy to dismiss this suggestion with a wave of the hand, "Oh, that certainly is not me"—until you start to consider just how much stuff is stored up in our homes and attics and garages (some of the latter with no room for cars).

In Christ, freedom comes from letting go. Freedom comes through giving away and trusting Jesus. In Christ we are free people. Free to choose life, free to choose faithfulness, and free to open our arms wide and receive the free grace of God. This is the God who chooses to never stop loving us.

#### **CHURCH SERVICES:**

Regular Sunday morning services at 9:00 am. Masking is not required, but if you wish to wear a mask, we have them available on the table in the entryway. All are welcome. The Sunday service will be live-streamed and recorded and available for viewing on YouTube later in the day.

#### **FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH:**

Please join us for coffee and fellowship each Sunday after worship.

The second Sunday of each month will be our regular fellowship brunch. Bring a dish to pass as you can.

#### PET BLESSING SERVICE:

Pet Blessing service is scheduled for Saturday, October 1, 2022.

#### **BILL'S OFFICE HOURS:**

Bill's office hours will be changing due to his class schedule this fall. We will let you know his schedule soon.

### **NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:**

Council meeting September 25, 2022 at 10:30 a.m.

#### WELCA:

Women's Bible Study (WELCA) will meet Thursday, September 8, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. We will share a meal and study God's Word. We conclude at 8:00 p.m. All women are invited. If you have any questions, please contact Elain at 715-356-4329 or ecampercat@aol.com.

#### **GRIEF SHARE:**

Holy Family is holding a 13-week grief support program called GriefShare which is a bible-based program. Held at the Parish Hall from September 6 through November 29, 2022 from 3:00 - 5:00 pm with a fee of \$35.00. For questions or more information call 715-356-6284 to contact Holly (ext. 168) or Diane (ext. 155).

#### **BLOOD DRIVE:**

Shepherd will be hosting a blood drive on September 23, 2022 from Noon to 4 p.m. We kindly request you register before the donation date by calling Karen at 715-542-4049.



(Please note: "Current issue" listings remain in the bulletin for three weeks and then are removed unless instructions are received to move that listing to the "ongoing health issues" list.)

Pray for those dealing with current issues:

## Pray for those with ongoing health issues:

Shelle, Don, Gus, Larry, Mary Lou, Ray & Louise, Daniel, Brian, Tammy, Samantha, Maggie, Terrie, Orin & Mary, Nate, Jeanne, and Melody

## Pray for those serving in the Armed Forces:

Brian, Adam & Brittany, Brooks, Will, Sgt. Keara, Alex, Jared, Noah, and Zachary

## Pray for those in nursing homes or homebound:

Elisabeth

## Pray for those who have passed:

Please email Bill at pastor@SOTLsayner.com or text to 715-617-6477 or email Jean at secretary@SOTLsayner.com or text to 715-542-4213 if you would like to be included on the prayer chain list. Prayer requests are sent out via email.

# **Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church**

## Season after Pentecost

September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022

## **Greeting & Announcements**

#### Invocation

(Please remain seated.)

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.

Amen.



## **Gathering Song**

"Praise To The Lord, The Almighty" ELW 858 vs. 1,3,4. (Please stand as you are comfortable)

## Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



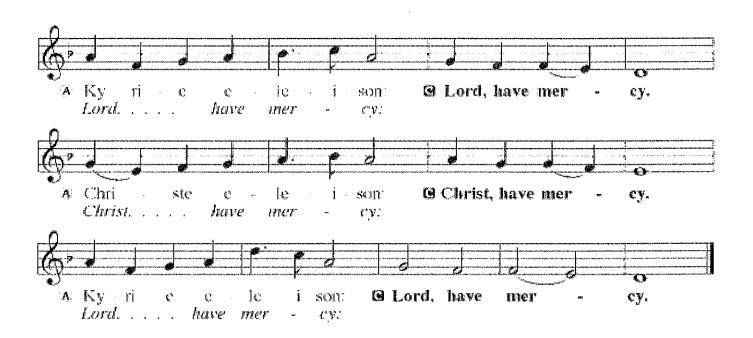
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## Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

### And also with you.

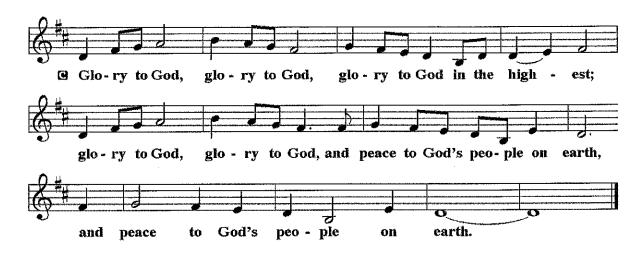
### **Kyrie** (sing 2 times)



## **Hymn of Praise**







## Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us Pray.....

Direct us,

O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

(Please be seated)

### First Reading Deuteronomy 30:15-20

<sup>15</sup>See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. <sup>16</sup>If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. <sup>17</sup>But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, <sup>18</sup>I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. <sup>19</sup>I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, <sup>20</sup>loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

The Word of the Lord.... Thanks be to God.

### Psalm 1

<sup>1</sup>Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

<sup>2</sup>Their delight is in the law of the LORD,

and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.

<sup>3</sup>They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

<sup>4</sup>It is not so with the wicked;

they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

<sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

<sup>6</sup>For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.

### Second Lesson Philemon 1-21

<sup>1</sup>Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, <sup>2</sup>to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

<sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>4</sup>When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God <sup>5</sup>because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. <sup>6</sup>I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. <sup>7</sup>I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

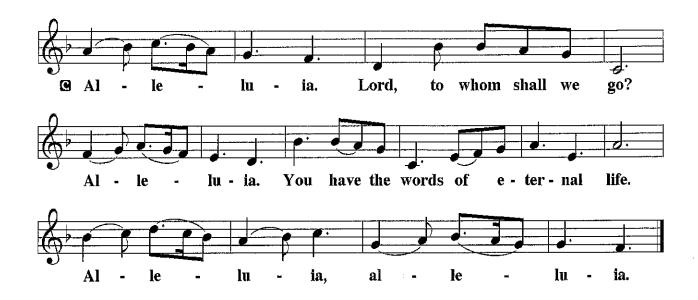
<sup>8</sup>For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, <sup>9</sup>yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. <sup>10</sup>I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. <sup>11</sup>Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. <sup>12</sup>I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. <sup>13</sup>I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; <sup>14</sup>but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. <sup>15</sup>Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, <sup>16</sup>no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

<sup>17</sup>So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. <sup>18</sup>If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. <sup>19</sup>I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. <sup>20</sup>Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. <sup>21</sup>Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

The Word of the Lord.... Thanks be to God.

## **Gospel Acclamation**

(Please stand as you are comfortable)



## **Holy Gospel**

The Holy Gospel According to....

Glory to you, O Lord.

### Luke 14:25-33

<sup>25</sup>Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus;] and he turned and said to them, <sup>26</sup>"Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. <sup>27</sup>Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. <sup>28</sup>For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? <sup>29</sup>Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, <sup>30</sup>saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' <sup>31</sup>Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? <sup>32</sup>If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. <sup>33</sup>So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

### Sermon

(Please stand as you are comfortable)



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## **Apostles Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.\*

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

## **Prayers Of The Church**

### The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

(I invite you to share the peace as you, and your neighbor, are comfortable.)

## Offering

(We will receive our offering today in the traditional manner)

For those of you worshipping with us at home -You can mail your donations to:

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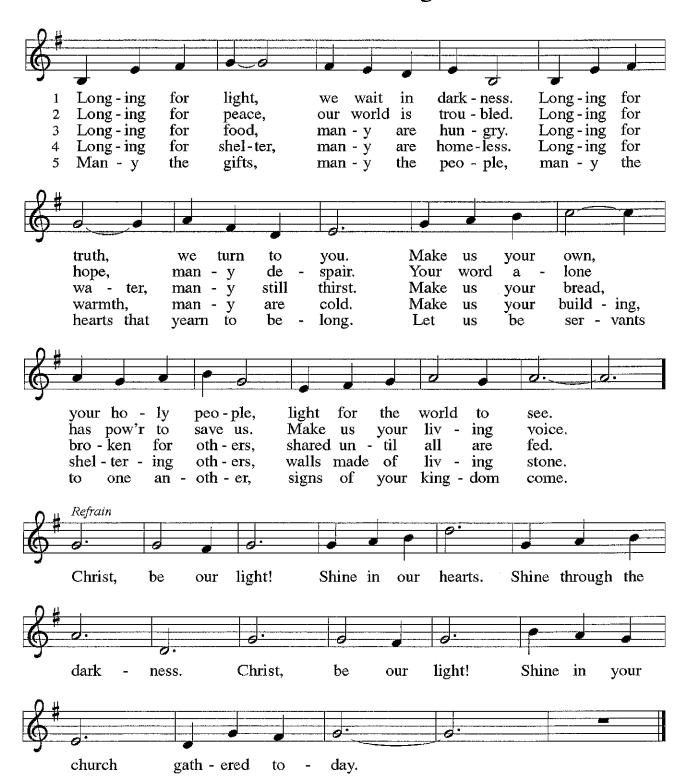
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Or on the church website - www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org You can donate through our PayPal account. "Thank you for your continued support of our ministry together."

### As the Lord's table is prepared: "Christ Be Our Light" vs. 1,4,5.

# Christ, Be Our Light



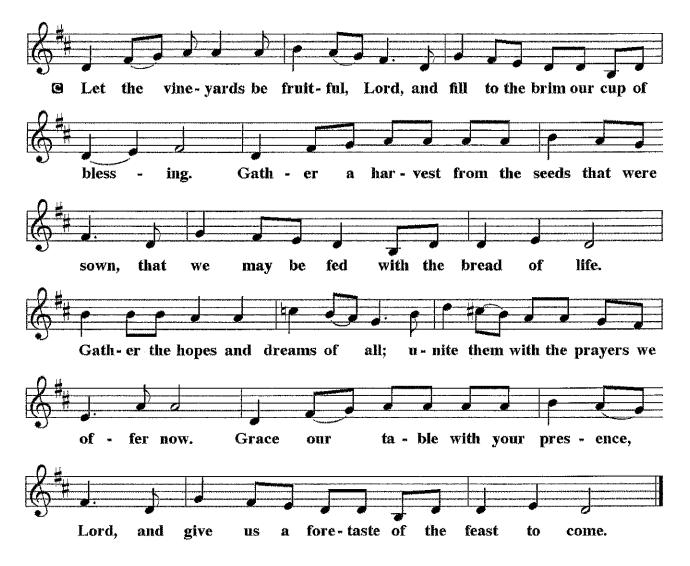
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## **Presentation of Gifts**

## **Offertory Hynm**

(please stand as you are comfortable)



## **Offertory Prayer**

Merciful God,

you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord......

Amen.

## **Great Thanksgiving**

#### Service of Distribution

The Lord be with you.... and also with you.

As we gather before these consecrated elements of bread and wine for the celebration of Holy Communion, we hear again the story of God's mighty acts and of the love shown us in the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. With thanksgiving we remembered that "in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

We are given assurance of our Lord's presence through the gift of his Holy Spirit. As we prepare to receive this bread of life and this cup of blessing, we pray that we may be strengthened through our participation in the body of Christ.

### LORD'S PRAYER

I invite you join with me and let us pray with confidence the words that our Savior gave us.

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.

### Invitation to the Table

As often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. All is ready, all are welcome, our Lord Jesus invites us.

(All are welcome to the Lord's table)

## **Distribution**

### (Please come forward as the ushers direct.)

(Children and others not wishing to commune are invited to come forward and receive a blessing.)

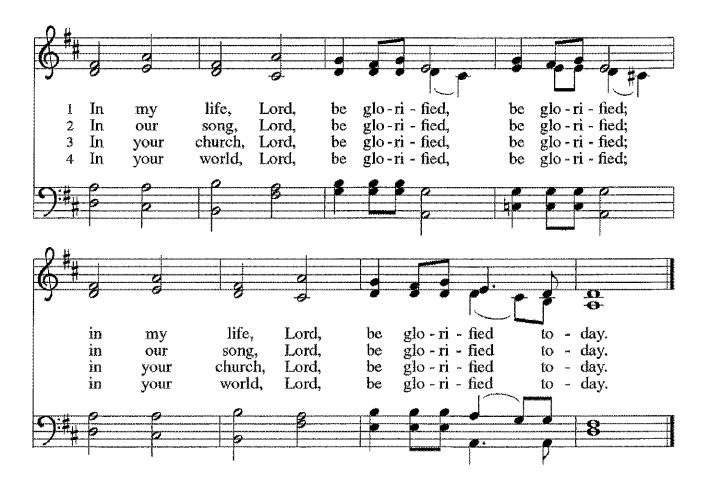
### Lamb of God (please be seated) 2 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have us. Lamb of God, you take the mer-cy on US. a - way sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## **Communion Hymns**



\*may be sung in canon

# Lord, Be Glorified



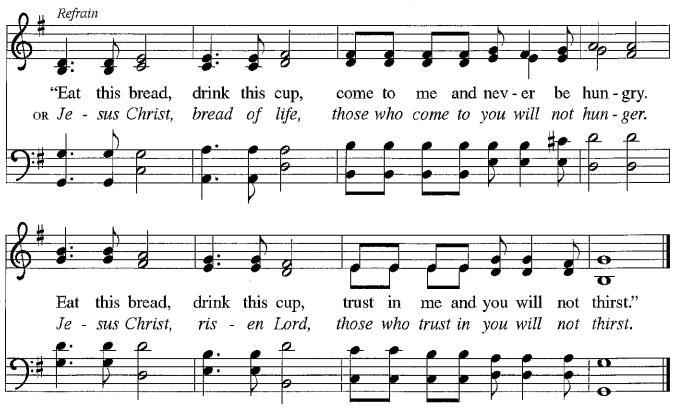
## Come and Fill Our Hearts

## Confitemini Domino

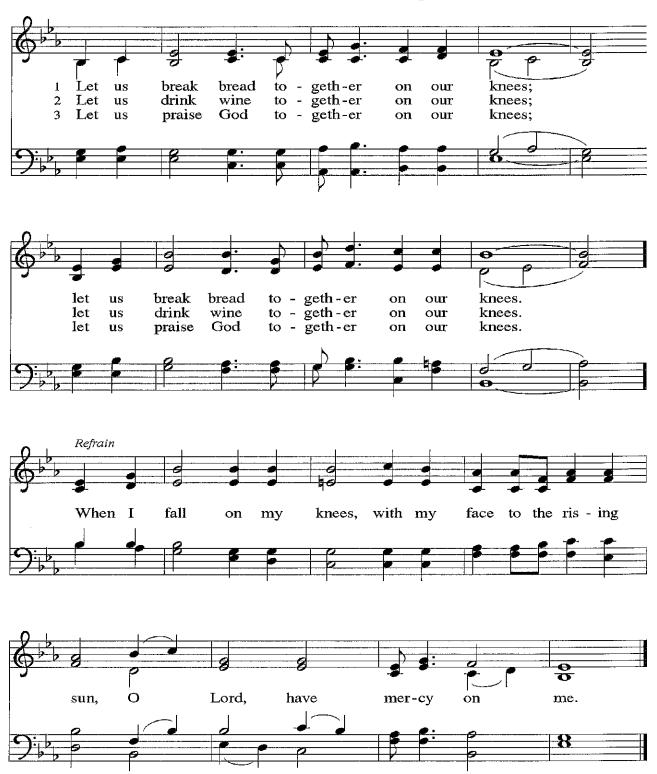


# Eat This Bread

Jesus Christ, Bread of Life



# Let Us Break Bread Together



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## **Communion Blessing**

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which you have now received, strengthen and keep you in his grace.

Amen

## Prayer

We give you thanks,

generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.

Amen.

## **Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

## Lift High the Cross



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## **Dismissal**

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service.

Second Sunday of each month join us for brunch after the service.

## Calendar for Week of September 5 - 11, 2022

Thursday	September 8, 2022	Text Study	9:00 a.m.
Thursday	September 8, 2022	WELCA	6:00 p.m.
Sunday	September 11, 2022	Worship	9:00 a.m.
Sunday	September 11, 2022	Brunch Following Worship	10:00 a.m.

## **Next Council Meeting:**

September 25, 2022 10:30 a.m.

Check our calendar of events on the church website for other events.

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