



Munster, Indiana 2024

Welcome

divine service III



WORSHIP FOLDER

LCMS

Members and Guests:

Please silence cell phones

Before the service begins, some people choose to pray and meditate in the sanctuary, while others choose to catch up with their church family and friends in the narthex. Please respect both options by keeping food, drink, and conversation in the narthex, so the joyful noise of Christian conversation can coexist with the contemplative silence and sacred music prior to the service.

Our sanctuary is equipped with receivers for **hearing assistance**. Please speak with an usher if you would like to use one. We also have **large print hymnals** available in the narthex.

We appreciate **infants and young children in worship** and encourage parents to keep their children in the pew despite occasional distracting behavior as they learn and grow. Feel free to borrow a book or Quiet Bag from the racks by the sanctuary doors. If, however, you decide you need a quiet place, you may use our Quiet Room located in the rear left of the sanctuary.

Holy Communion:

In accordance with the historic practice of the Christian Church, our congregation practices closed communion, meaning that normally our members and members of our sister (LCMS) congregations commune here. Please speak to one of the pastors about exceptions to this general practice. This practice in no way intends to comment on the state of anyone else's faith; we simply believe our communing together is also a public profession of what we as a congregation teach and confess.

August 4 • August 5

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude "From God Shall Naught Divide Me" (J.C. Bach)

*Those who wish may bookmark hymns prior to the service.
The hymns for this service are: 905, 724, 631, 699, 774 and 918*

Welcome & Ringing of the Bell

Hymn of Invocation—905 Come, Thou Almighty King

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

Invocation

- 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.

Confession of Sins

- 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.**

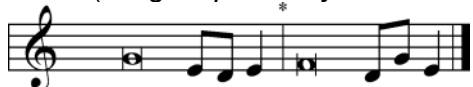
Absolution

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.

G Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

Psalm 145 (sung responsively Cantor/Congregation)



All your works shall give thanks to you, | O LORD,*
and all your saints shall | bless you!

**They shall speak of the glory of your | kingdom*
and tell | of your power,**

to make known to the children of man your | mighty deeds,*
and the glorious splendor of your | kingdom.

**Your kingdom is an everlasting | kingdom,*
and your dominion endures throughout all gener- | ations.**

The LORD is faithful in | all his words*
and kind in | all his works.

**The LORD upholds all who are | falling*
and raises up all who are | bowed down.**

The eyes of all | look to you,*
and you give them their food in due | season.

**You open | your hand;*
you satisfy the desire of every | living thing.**

The LORD is righteous in | all his ways*
and kind in | all his works.

**The LORD is near to all who | call on him,*
to all who call on | him in truth.**

He fulfills the desire of those who | fear him;*
he also hears their cry and | saves them.

**The LORD preserves all who | love him,*
but all the wicked he | will destroy.**

My mouth will speak the praise | of the LORD,*
and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and | ever.

Gloria Patri



G Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

Kyrie

LSB 186

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

Those who read music and/or sing harmony may choose to follow the liturgy in the hymnal starting with the Kyrie on page 186.

Gloria In Excelsis

- 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.
Merciful Father, You gave Your Son Jesus as the heavenly bread of life. Grant us faith to feast on Him in Your Word and Sacraments that we may be nourished unto life everlasting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

The pastor will indicate when to sit and when to stand throughout the service, but those who prefer to remain seated may do so.

Old Testament Reading: *Exodus 16: 2 - 15*

The whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, and the people of Israel said to them, "Would that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily." So Moses and Aaron said to all the people of Israel, "At evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against the LORD. For what are we, that you grumble against us?" And Moses said, "When the LORD gives you in the evening meat to eat and in the morning bread to the full, because the LORD has heard your grumbling that you grumble against him—what are we? Your grumbling is not against us but against the LORD." Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, 'Come near before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling.'" And

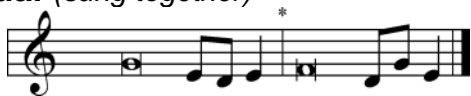
as soon as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. And the LORD said to Moses, "I have heard the grumbling of the people of Israel. Say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. Then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'"

In the evening quail came up and covered the camp, and in the morning dew lay around the camp. And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as frost on the ground. When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual *(sung together)*



Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowl- | edge of God! *
How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable | his ways!
For from him and through him and to him are | all things.*
To him be glory forever. | Amen.

Epistle Reading: *Ephesians 4: 1 - 16*

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it says,

"When he ascended on high he led a host of captives,
and he gave gifts to men."

(In saying, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia



Holy Gospel: *John 6: 22 - 35*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.

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

On the next day the crowd that remained on the other side of the sea saw that there had been only one boat there, and that Jesus had not entered the boat with his disciples, but that his disciples had gone away alone. Other boats from Tiberias came near the place where they had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. So when the crowd saw that Jesus was not there, nor his disciples, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum, seeking Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not labor for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do, to be doing the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform? Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Jesus then said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

LSB 191 or Back Cover of Hymnal

Sermon Hymn—724 **If God Himself Be for Me** (*stanzas 1 – 5*)

Stanza 3 sung by Women of the Congregation Only

Sermon: Pastor Donald Stock

Offertory Hymn—724 **If God Himself Be for Me** (*stanzas 6 - 10*)

Stanza 8 sung by Men of the Congregation Only

Those wishing to make an offering can find the collection plate on the table in the narthex before and after the service. Donations can also be made securely online at our website.

Prayer of the Church

EACH PETITION OF THE PRAYER ENDS WITH "LORD, IN YOUR MERCY..." TO WHICH ALL RESPOND "HEAR OUR PRAYER." THE LAST PETITION ENDS:

- P** Lord, we come as a people tossed to and fro by the manifold changes of this mortal life. Help us to know, in You, that which is eternal. Give us confidence in the suffering and death of Christ, that we may rejoice that You are with us always and await His joyous appearing with all the saints; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

God's continued and rich blessings on those celebrating special anniversaries: **Tim and Michelle Brauer** who celebrate 40 years of marriage, **Donna and Tomas Young** who celebrate 30 years of marriage and to **Bill and Diane Wittkamp** who celebrate their 55th wedding anniversary this week.

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

Preface

- 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.
- 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, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. 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

- 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.

Pax Domini

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

Agnus Dei

- 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

Distribution Hymn—631 Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face
 Distribution Hymn—699 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
 Distribution Hymn—774 Feed Thy Children, God Most Holy

Nunc Dimittis

- 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

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

Post-Communion Collect

- P** 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.

As we come forward to receive Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of sins, we remember also the "sin of the world" which is on constant, ongoing display, and remember that Jesus as the Lamb of God has taken it all upon Himself.

Those who are not communing today are encouraged to come forward to receive a blessing. Please fold your arms with your hands on your shoulders to indicate your desire to receive a blessing.

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Salutation

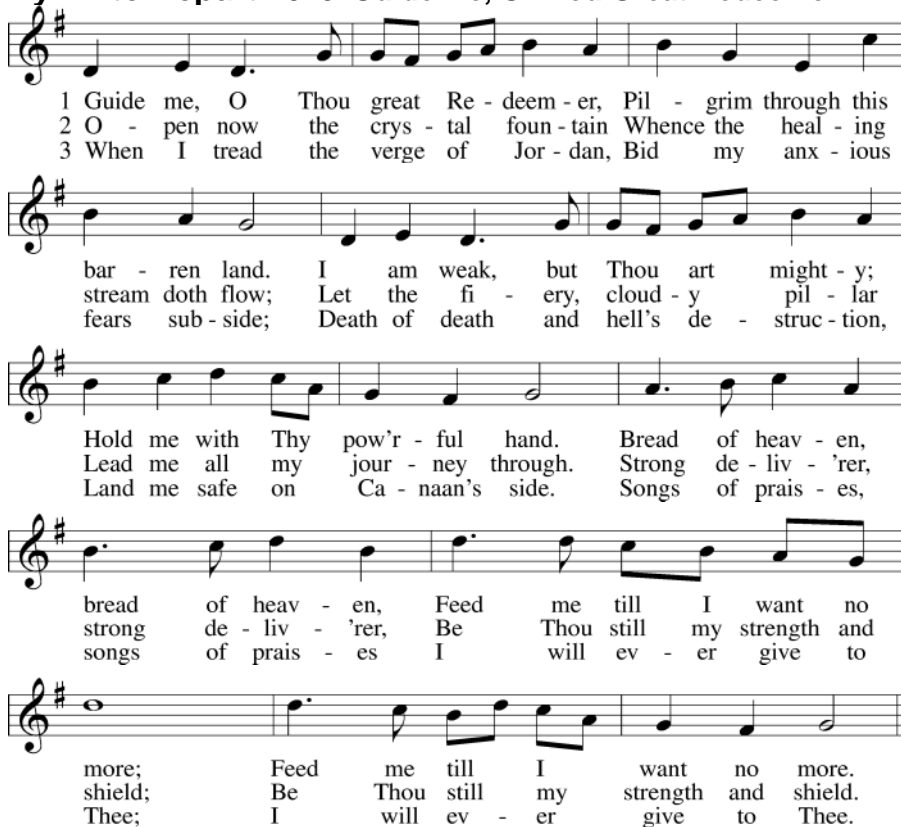
- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus and Benediction

- 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.

Hymn to Depart—918 Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer



1 Guide me, O Thou great Re - deem - er, Pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain Whence the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious
bar - ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might - y;
stream doth flow; Let the fi - ery, cloud - y pil - lar
fears sub - side; Death of death and hell's de - struc - tion,
Hold me with Thy pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en,
Lead me all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer,
Land me safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es,
bread of heav - en, Feed me till I want no
strong de - liv - 'rer, Be Thou still my strength and
songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to
more; Feed me till I want no more.
shield; Be Thou still my strength and shield.
Thee; I will ev - er give to Thee.

Postlude "When in the Hour of Utmost Need" (J.S. Bach)

Serving us this Week:

Preaching: Rev. Donald Stock

Organ: Karen Foote

Greeters: Joe & Nina Witt (9:30) and
Carol Rogers (6:30)

Altar flowers today are dedicated
To the Glory of God:

on our 55th wedding anniversary
from Diane and Bill Wittkamp

Last Week at St. Paul's:

Attendance: 213

Communed: 184

Cedarhurst/Hartsfield: 32

Plate Offering: \$4,022

Online Offering: \$5,768

Total: \$9,790

Weekly Budget: \$16,538

This Week at St. Paul's:

Sunday, August 4:

8:15 am Adult Bible Study

Monday, August 5:

Church Office Hours 8am – 1pm

7:00 pm Basketball Clinic

7:30 pm Board of Deacons Meeting

Tuesday, August 6:

Church Office Hours 8am – 1pm

8:30 am Garden Crew

9:30 am Cedarhurst Worship Service

10:45 am Hartsfield Worship Service

7:00 pm Men's Basketball

Wednesday, August 7:

Church Office Hours 8am – 1pm

10:00 am Bible Study—"The Spirituality of
the Cross" by Gene Edward Veith, Jr.

Thursday, August 8:

Church Office Hours 8am – 1pm

9:00 am – 12:00 pm School Reporting Day

3:00 pm – 6:00 pm School Reporting Day

Friday, August 9:

Church Office Closed

Pastor Speckhard on call (219) 741-6270

Saturday, August 10:

8:00 am AA

10:30 am AA, Al-anon & Al-ateen

Next Week's Readings:

1 Kings 19:1-8, Psalm 34:1-8,
Ephesians 4:17-5:2, John 6:35-51