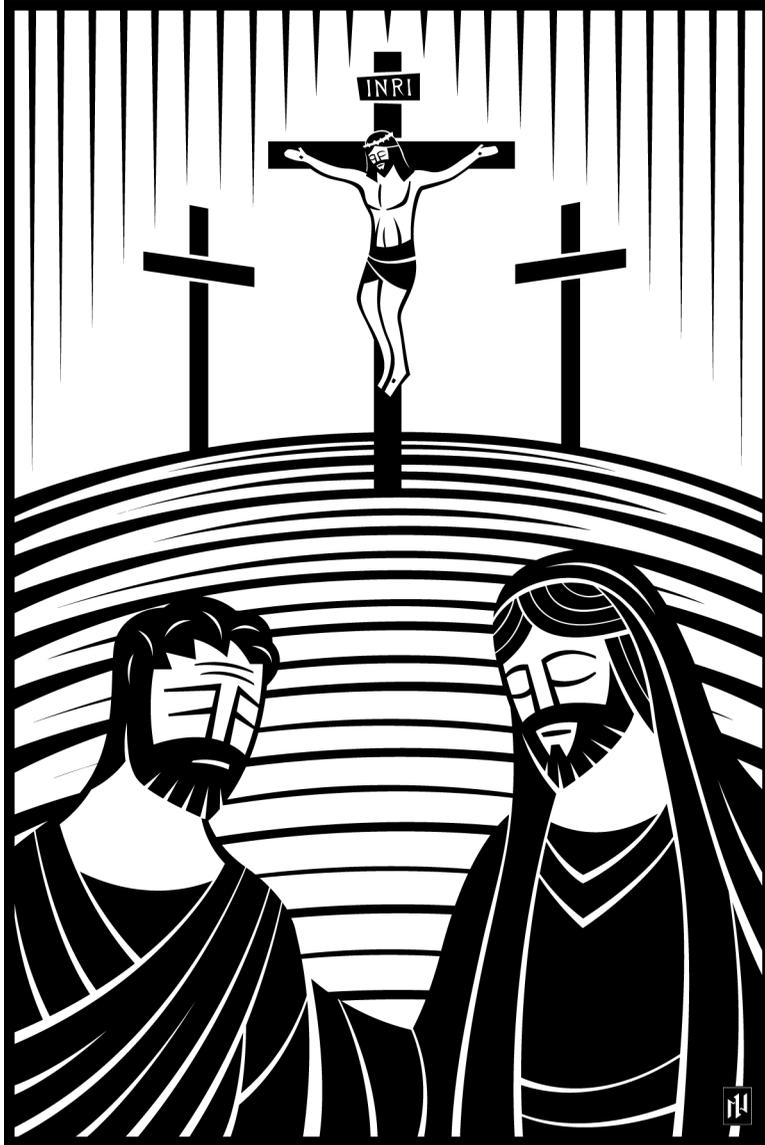


# DOUBLE "CROSSED"



Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost  
Living Shepherd Lutheran Church  
365 W. Grand Ave Laramie, WY  
September 16, 2018



# WELCOME TO LIVING SHEPHERD!

## A FEW NOTES BEFORE WORSHIP

- *We're so glad you joined us for worship today!*
- *Restrooms are located on your right and on your left immediately after you walk through the double doors next to the fire place.*
- *We love having children in our worship service! However, if your child becomes restless, the café (first door on the left past the restrooms) is a great place to regroup and grab a cup of coffee.*
- *You are our guest! If there is something else we can help you with, please let any one of us know!*
- *Finally, you'll find everything you need for worship printed in this service folder. Lord's blessings on your worship!*

## TODAY'S SERVICE

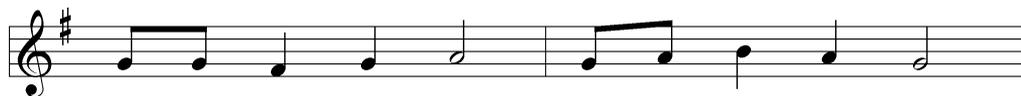
*"It is necessary." In Greek, it's the 3-letter word "δεῖ." And Jesus said it. But what was necessary? There were 4 things. And Peter didn't like what he heard. Jesus said, "It is necessary... ..to suffer," "...to be rejected," "...to be killed," and finally, "...to rise!" You'd think that whole "rise" from the dead concept, might jump out at Peter, but it didn't. He was too focused on the "It is necessary ...to suffer ...to be rejected ...to be killed" parts. Those "necessities" didn't line up with his idea of who the Christ should be and what the Christ should do. And yet these things are/were necessary! Blessings on your worship this morning!*

## A PRAYER BEFORE WE BEGIN

*Dear Lord, I thank you for giving me this opportunity today to gather together with fellow believers to join in worship and praise. May my worship and meditation this day be pleasing in Your sight and be deserving of Your honor. Amen.*

# OPENING HYMN

## HYMN 422 — JESUS LEAD US ON



1 Je - sus, lead us on Till our rest is won;  
2 If the way be drear, If the foe be near,  
3 When we seek re - lief From a long - felt grief,  
4 Je - sus, still lead on Till our rest is won.



And al - though the way be cheer - less,  
Let not faith - less fears o'er - take us;  
When temp - ta - tions come al - lur - ing,  
Heav'n - ly Lead - er, still di - rect us;



We will fol - low, calm and fear - less.  
Let not faith and hope for - sake us,  
Make us pa - tient and en - dur - ing;  
Still sup - port, con - sole, pro - tect us



Guide us by your hand To our fa - ther - land.  
For through man - y a woe To our home we go.  
Show us that bright shore Where we weep no more.  
Till we safe - ly stand In our fa - ther - land.

Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–60, adapt.; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–97, alt.  
Tune: SEELENBRÄUTIGAM (55 88 55) Adam Drese, 1620–1701.

## INVOCATION

*The name of the triune God and the sign of the cross  
remind worshipers of their baptisms.*

**P:** In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

## CONFESSION

**P:** Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

**C:** **Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.  
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,  
For sins of habit and sins of choice,  
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,  
You should cast me away from your presence forever.  
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

## ABSOLUTION

*The use of the keys is that special power and right which Christ gave to his church on earth:  
to forgive the sins of penitent sinners." For further information see John 20:21-23.  
Also see Luther's Small Catechism, "The Use of the Keys and Confession."*

**P:** Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

# GLORY TO GOD—*Gloria in Excelsis*

Christians praise God by proclaiming the great things he has done to accomplish our rescue from sin. "Glory to God in the Highest" has been a Christian song of worship since the fourth century



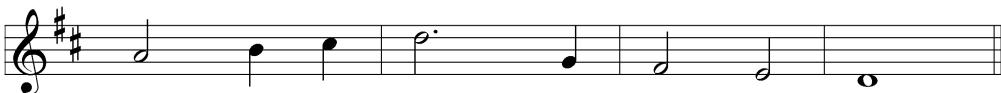
1 All glo - ry be to God on high!  
2 Our grate - ful thanks to you we bring,  
3 O Lamb of God, to you we pray.  
4 You, Christ, are ho - ly— Lord a - lone;



Your name, O Lord, we glo - ri - fy;  
For your great glo - ry, heav'n - ly King,  
You take all hu - man sin a - way.  
The Fath - er's glo - ry you made known.



We praise you for your peace and grace,  
For all, O Fath - er, you have done  
Have mer - cy, Lord; re - ceive our prayer;  
We by your Spir - it sing a - gain:



Your fav - or toward our fal - len race.  
Through Je - sus Christ, your on - ly Son.  
From God's right hand, your mer - cy share.  
"All glo - ry be to God!" A - men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Lord, we pray that your mercy and grace may always go before and follow after us that, loving you with undivided hearts, we may be ready for every good and useful work; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

## GOD'S WORD

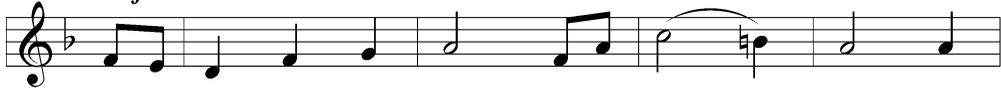
*ISAIAH 50:4-10*

*The Sovereign LORD has given me an instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being taught. <sup>5</sup> The Sovereign LORD has opened my ears, and I have not been rebellious; I have not drawn back. <sup>6</sup> I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting. <sup>7</sup> Because the Sovereign LORD helps me, I will not be disgraced. Therefore have I set my face like flint, and I know I will not be put to shame. <sup>8</sup> He who vindicates me is near. Who then will bring charges against me? Let us face each other! Who is my accuser? Let him confront me! <sup>9</sup> It is the Sovereign LORD who helps me. Who is he that will condemn me? They will all wear out like a garment; the moths will eat them up. <sup>10</sup> Who among you fears the LORD and obeys the word of his servant? Let him who walks in the dark, who has no light, trust in the name of the Lord and rely on his God.*

*PSALM 116 (printed on the next page)*

# PSALM 116

## *Refrain*



I will lift up the cup of sal - va - tion and



call on the name of the Lord.

## *Psalm Tone*



I love the LORD, for he heard my voice;  
he heard my cry for mercy.

Because he turned his ear to me,  
I will call on him as long as I live.

The LORD is gracious and righteous;  
when I was in great need, he saved me.

## *Refrain*

For you, O LORD, have delivered my soul from death,  
my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

How can I repay the LORD  
for all his goodness to me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation  
and call on the name of the LORD.

**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.**

## *Refrain*

*JAMES 2:1-5,8-10,14-18*

*My brothers, as believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ, don't show favoritism. <sup>2</sup> Suppose a man comes into your meeting wearing a gold ring and fine clothes, and a poor man in shabby clothes also comes in. <sup>3</sup> If you show special attention to the man wearing fine clothes and say, "Here's a good seat for you," but say to the poor man, "You stand there" or "Sit on the floor by my feet," <sup>4</sup> have you not discriminated among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts?*

*<sup>5</sup> Listen, my dear brothers: Has not God chosen those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and to inherit the kingdom he promised those who love him?*

*<sup>8</sup> If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, "Love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing right. <sup>9</sup> But if you show favoritism, you sin and are convicted by the law as lawbreakers. <sup>10</sup> For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it.*

*<sup>14</sup> What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? <sup>15</sup> Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. <sup>16</sup> If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? <sup>17</sup> In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.*

*<sup>18</sup> But someone will say, "You have faith; I have deeds." Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by what I do.*

# HYMN OF THE DAY

## HYMN 453 — COME FOLLOW ME, THE SAVIOR SPOKE

(The children may come forward during verse 3 for the children's devotion)



1 "Come, fol - low me," the Sav - ior spoke, "All in my  
2 "I am the light; I light the way, A god - ly  
3 "My heart a - bounds in low - li - ness, My soul with  
4 "I teach you how to shun and flee What harms your  
5 Then let us fol - low Christ our Lord And take the



way a - bid - ing, De - ny your - selves; the  
life dis - play - ing, I bid you walk as  
love is glow - ing, And gra - cious words my  
souls' sal - va - tion, Your hearts from ev - 'ry  
cross ap - point - ed And, firm - ly cling - ing



world for - sake; O - bey my call and guid - ing.  
in the day; I keep your feet from stray - ing.  
lips ex - press, With meek - ness o - ver - flow - ing.  
guile to free, From sin and its temp - ta - tion.  
to his Word, In suf - f'ring be un - daunt - ed.



Oh, bear the cross, what - e'er be - tide; Take  
I am the way, and well I show How  
My heart, my mind, my strength, my all To  
I am the ref - uge of the soul And  
For those who bear the bat - tle's strain The



my ex - am - ple for your guide.  
you should jour - ney here be - low.  
God I yield; on him I call.  
lead you to your heav'n - ly goal."  
crown of heav'n - ly life ob - tain.

Text: Johann Scheffler, 1624–77, abr., st. 1-3, 5; *Geistliche Lieder und Lobgesänge*, 1695, st. 4; tr. Charles W. Schaeffer, 1813–96, alt.

Tune: MACHS MIT MIR, GOTT (87 87 88) Bartholomäus Gesius, c. 1555–1613, adapt.

# GOD'S WORD IN OUR LIVES

*MARK 8:27-35*

*DOUBLE "CROSSED"*

*Jesus and his disciples went on to the villages around Caesarea Philippi. On the way he asked them, "Who do people say I am?"*

*<sup>28</sup> They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets."*

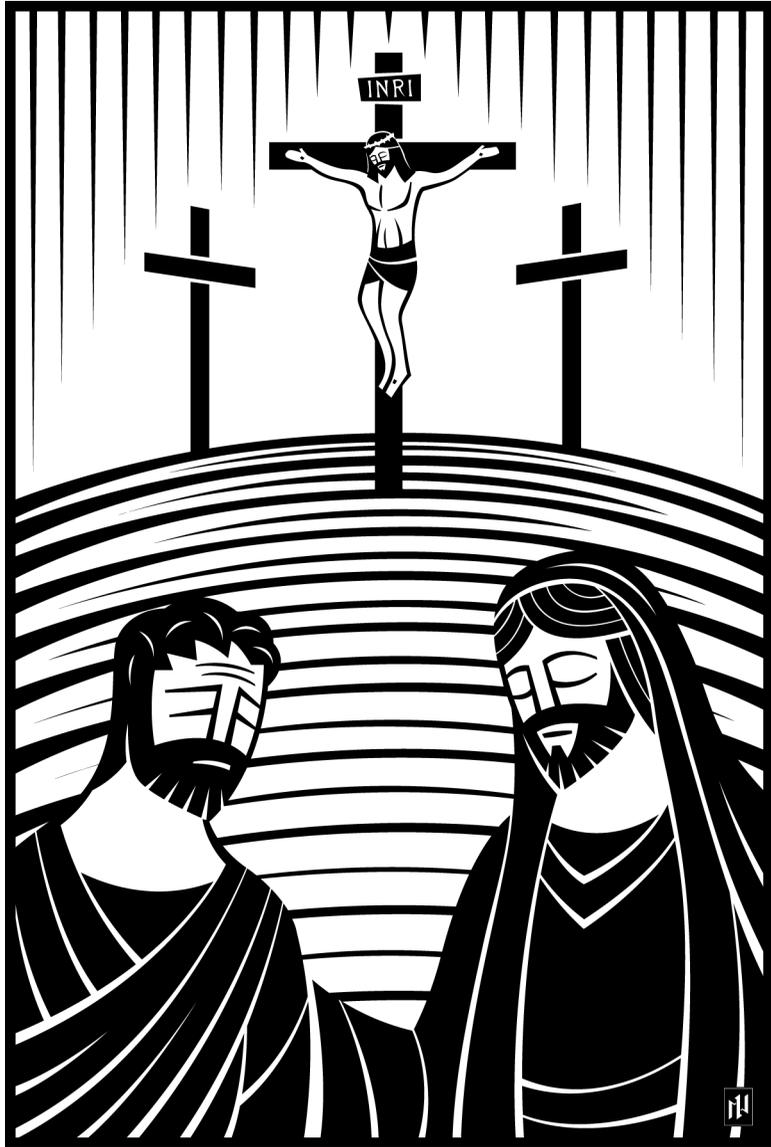
*<sup>29</sup> "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Peter answered, "You are the Christ."*

*<sup>30</sup> Jesus warned them not to tell anyone about him.*

*<sup>31</sup> He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, chief priests and teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup> He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.*

*<sup>33</sup> But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. "Get behind me, Satan!" he said. "You do not have in mind the things of God, but the things of men."*

*<sup>34</sup> Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup> For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me and for the gospel will save it."*



# CONFESSION OF FAITH

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian\* and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*\*The original text here reads "catholic," a word meaning "universal." The Church consists of all believers in heaven and on earth, of every time in history.*

## WORSHIP REGISTERS

*Thanks for visiting us today! We'd love to have a record of your visit!  
Any information you'd be willing to share would be greatly appreciated!*

## OFFERING

*Moved by God's love in Christ, the people of Living Shepherd offer him our first and best gifts, purely out of thanks to him. To those visiting, you are our guests. While your gifts are welcome, please do not feel obligated to give.*

*You can also support our ministry by clicking the "give" button at [www.LivingShepherd.com](http://www.LivingShepherd.com)*

# PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*We pray on behalf of this church as well as on behalf of  
God's people throughout our nation and the world.*

P: O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

**C: We praise you for every grace and blessing.**

P: Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.

**C: Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.**

P: We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state and local governments

**C: Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.**

P: Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.

**C: Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.**

P: Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your creation.

**C: Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.**

P: Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

**C: Lead us to love one another as you have loved us**

P: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions

***Silent Prayer (Special intercessions may also be included here)***

P: Gracious Father, you have restored to us the joy of your salvation. With happy hearts we come before you and say:

C: **Alleluia! Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## PREFACE

*The words of the Preface mark the beginning of the Sacrament section of the service and lift the worshipers' hearts in praise. The opening sentences are among the oldest in the Christian liturgy.*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is good and right so to do.**

P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who has called us to be his own so that we may live under him in his kingdom and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness. Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

# HOLY, HOLY, HOLY –*Sanctus*

*Sanctus means "holy." Used possibly as early as the second century, this canticle was in wide use among Christians in worship by the fourteenth century.*



1 O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and  
2 Ho - san - na in the high - est! How tru - ly blest is



might, Your glo - ry, earth and heav - en In  
he Who in God's name is com - ing To



count - less ways re - cite. Ho - san - na! Come and  
set his peo - ple free! He comes to bring sal -



save us, Lord God of hosts on high, And  
va - tion And with his blood out - poured, De -



in your grace and mer - cy Re - ceive our fer - vent cry.  
liv - er us from bond - age—Ho - san - na, might - y Lord!

# PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**P:** Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.  
By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.  
By his innocent death, he overcame hell.  
By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

**C:** Amen.

## LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**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.  
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.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

As he speaks the Words of Institution, the minister both proclaims the words of Jesus to the congregation and sets apart the bread and wine for the Lord's use.

The sign of the cross reminds us of Christ's death.

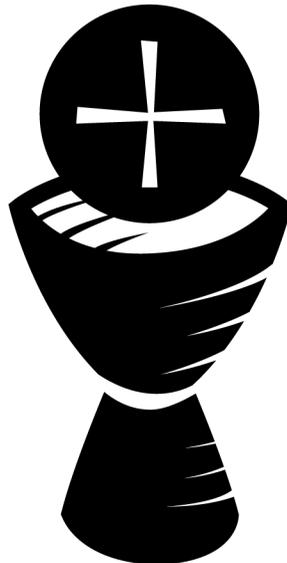
**P:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my (+) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C:** Amen

THIS IS MY  
BODY  
THIS IS MY  
BLOOD



# LAMB OF GOD—*Agnus Dei*

*Jesus is God's Lamb [Agnus Dei], who was offered as a sacrifice for sin once for all.*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



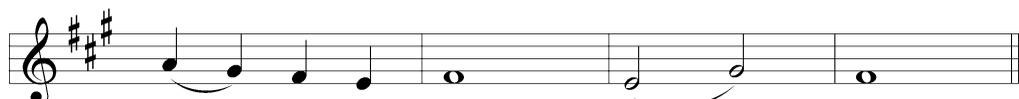
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us your peace. A - men.

## DISTRIBUTION

*The Scriptures teach that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ and with one another as Christians who are united around a common confession of faith. In light of our Lord's clear warning concerning His Holy Supper in 1 Corinthians 11:27-29, we ask you take the opportunity to join us in studying what our God has to say concerning this Holy Supper prior to communing. If you wish to come forward at the direction of our usher and have not yet declared fellowship with us, you may do so and will receive a blessing.*



## SONG OF SIMEON—*Nunc Dimittis*

*The Nunc Dimittis ["Now dismiss"] is also known as the "Song of Simeon."  
Through God's Word and Sacrament, we have seen Jesus Christ, and like  
Simeon we find divine peace and comfort through faith in the Savior.*



1 O Lord, now let your serv - ant De - part in peace, as -  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All glo - ry to the



sured: For I have seen your prom - ised In -  
Son, All glo - ry to the Spir - it, For -



car - nate, sav - ing Word— A Light that will en -  
ev - er three in one; For as in the be -



light - en All gloom where Gen - tiles dwell; The bril - liant,  
gin - ning, Is now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une



crown - ing glo - ry Of those in Is - ra - el!  
name re - sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

# THANKSGIVING

**P:** We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** **Amen.**

# BLESSING

*The blessing of Aaron has been spoken over God's people for over 3,500 years.  
The Lord said, "So they will put my name on [them],  
and I will bless them" [Numbers 6:27].*

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

**C:** **Amen.**

# CLOSING HYMN

*HYMN 105 — O SACRED HEAD, NOW WOUNDED (verses 1,4-7)*

## O Sacred Head, Now Wounded



1 O sa - cred head, now wound - ed, With grief and  
 2 Men mock and taunt and jeer you, They smite your  
 3 Now from your cheeks has van - ished Their col - or,  
 4 My bur - den in your pas - sion, Lord, you have  
 5 What lan - guage shall I bor - row To thank you,



shame weighed down, Now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed,  
 coun - te - nance, Though might - y worlds shall fear you  
 once so fair; From your red lips is ban - ished  
 borne for me, For it was my trans - gres - sion,  
 dear - est Friend, For this, your dy - ing sor - row,



With thorns your on - ly crown, O sa - cred head, no  
 And flee be - fore your glance. How pale you are with  
 The splen - dor that was there. Grim death with cru - el  
 My shame, on Cal - va - ry, I cast me down be -  
 Your pit - y with - out end? Oh, make me yours for -



glo - ry Now from your face does shine; Yet, though de -  
 an - guish, With sore a - buse and scorn! Your eyes with  
 rig - or Has robbed you of your life; Thus you have  
 fore you; Wrath is my right - ful lot. Have mer - cy,  
 ev - er, And keep me strong and true; Lord, let me



spised and go - ry, I joy to call you mine.  
 pain now lan - guish That once were bright as morn!  
 lost your vig - or, Your strength, in this sad strife.  
 I im - plore you; Re - deem - er, spurn me not!  
 nev - er, nev - er Out - live my love for you.

6 My Savior, then be near me  
 When death is at my door,  
 And let your presence cheer me;  
 Forsake me nevermore!  
 When soul and body languish,  
 Oh, leave me not alone,  
 But take away my anguish  
 By virtue of your own!

7 Lord, be my consolation,  
 My shield when I must die;  
 Remind me of your passion  
 When my last hour draws nigh.  
 My eyes will then behold you,  
 Upon your cross will dwell;  
 My heart will then enfold you—  
 Who dies in faith dies well!

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## WELCOME!

We welcome everyone here today and thank you for joining us for worship!  
We hope that you will join us again soon.

## TREATS FROM SWEETS BAKERY AND COFFEE!

We hope you can stick around after worship to join us for some treats from Sweets Bakery and some freshly brewed coffee!

## BIBLE STUDY

Join us Sunday mornings at 9 AM for a Bible study on the Christian Family.

## WORSHIP SET UP

Thanks to those who helped set up for worship today! Next week, the Thom, Hoffer and Ogle families are on for set up. Set up starts at 8:30 AM.

## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY PLANS

Our women's Bible study will continue this Wednesday evening, September 19th at 5:30 PM. The study will be held here at the Lincoln Community Center in the Café.

## BIBLE BASICS CLASSES CONTINUE THIS WEEK!

A new round of Bible Basics classes continues this week! Let pastor know if you're interested in the class!

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