

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION  
**ESTABLISHED BY CHRIST** *1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

Our congregation believes that Holy Communion is a gift of Christ to His Church. The apostle Paul wrote, "A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself" (1 Corinthians 11:28-29). Out of loving concern for the communicants and from our understanding of the Bible and the Lutheran Confessions, we request that those who commune here:

1. **Be Baptized Christians**
2. **Have received special instruction on the essence and significance of the Lord's Supper.**
3. **Are mature enough to examine themselves, recognizing their sin and their need for God's grace through His special means.**
4. **Profess the "real presence" of Christ in this Sacrament, that is, confessing the true presence of Christ's body in the bread and His blood in the wine.**
5. **Have faith in the Savior's words, "Given and shed for you."**
6. **Recognizing that participation at our table indicates public agreement with our understanding of this blessed Sacrament.**

Holy Communion is celebrated each 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 9:00 am  
and every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday at 5:00 pm.

Uninstructed children are invited to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing.

IMPORTANT QUESTIONS FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS TO REVIEW

Q. Do you acknowledge your sins and are you willing to turn from them with the aid and assistance of the Holy Spirit?

**A. Yes, I acknowledge my sin and seek the Lord's mercy.** *1 John 1:8-9*

Q. Do you believe that God, for Jesus' sake, has forgiven you all your sins?

**A. Yes, Christ died for me, and suffered the punishment that I deserve.** *Isaiah 53:4-6; Romans 6:21, 23*

Q. Do you believe that the Lord offers Christians His body and blood in, with, and under the bread and the wine for the strengthening of faith and the forgiveness of sins?

**A. Yes, I believe the Scripture which teaches, "Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ?"** *1 Corinthians 10:16*

Q. Should Christians with weak faith receive the Sacrament?

**A. The Sacrament is especially offered for those weak of faith.** *Isaiah 42:3; John 6:37*

**FOR WHERE THERE IS FORGIVENESS OF SINS, THERE IS ALSO LIFE AND SALVATION**

Non-Alcoholic Fruit of the Vine

Persons who have a preference for no alcohol are invited to receive Holy Communion using non-alcoholic grape juice. The juice is located in the center circle of each individual tray and is lighter in color.

# † ALL SAINTS' DAY †

**November 4, 2018**

**9:00 AM**

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**Welcome!** We hope that your time in worship will encourage and strengthen your relationship with God. We share the greatest hope through the One who loves you most – Jesus Christ! We invite all worshipers today to fill out the Fellowship Pew Pad during the offering portion of worship. You are also invited to make a prayer request on the green card, which is in the pew rack and then place the card in the offering plate or hand them to an usher. We pray God's blessings upon you and invite you to worship with us every Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday morning at 9:00 am.

## **AS WE GATHER**

Today is All Saints' Sunday and we take comfort in the fact that God has made us part of one very large family, Christ's Body, the Church. As we prepare for worship, consider the following paragraph from *The Book of Concord; The Confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church*:

“Our confession approves giving honor to the saints. This honor is threefold. The first is thanksgiving: we ought to give thanks to God because He has given examples of His mercy, because He has shown that He wants to save humankind, and because He has given teachers and other gifts to the church. Since these are the greatest gifts, they ought to be extolled very highly, and we ought to praise the saints themselves for faithfully using these gifts just as Christ praises faithful managers (Matthew 25:21, 23). The second kind of veneration is the strengthening of our faith. When we see Peter forgiven after his denial, we, too, are encouraged to believe that grace truly superabounds much more over sin (Romans 5:20). The third honor is imitation: first of their faith, then of their other virtues, which people should imitate according to their callings” (Apology of the Augsburg Confession; Article XXI: 4-6).

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*Almighty God, grant that we, who have been redeemed from the old life of sin by our Baptism into the death and resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, may be renewed by Your Holy Spirit to live in righteousness and true holiness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

The paraments today are white, the color of cleanliness and purity. It symbolizes God's majesty and holiness and reminds us that we have been made to be His saints through Christ's redeeming love

**THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE**

**(November 4 – 10)**

**Psalm 34:3:** *Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together. (NIV)*

**PRESERVICE MUSIC**

**✝ DIVINE SERVICE SETTING FOUR ✝**

*(Lutheran Service Book, Page 203)*

**OPENING HYMN** *"For All the Saints" – LSB 677 (Please rise for verse 8)*

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

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

**Pastor:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** **Amen.** *[Matthew 28:19b]*

**Pastor:** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**People:** **who made heaven and earth.**

**Pastor:** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**People:** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

**Pastor:** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

*Silence is kept.*

Pastor: We pray,

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

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** ≈ *Glory to God in the Highest (Sung – LSB page 204)*

**To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth:  
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!  
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing –  
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**To You, O sole begotten, the Father's Son, we pray;  
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,  
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high –**

**For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.  
Forever and forever, Be worshipped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,  
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.**

**SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** *(Please be seated)*

### **FIRST READING: REVELATION 7:2-4, 9-17** *(NIV)*

Then I saw another angel coming up from the east, having the seal of the living God. He called out in a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm the land and the sea: "Do not harm the land or the sea or the trees until we put a seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God." Then I heard the number of those who were sealed: 144,000 from all the tribes of Israel.

After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb."

All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying:

"Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!"

Then one of the elders asked me, "These in white robes – who are they, and where did they come from?"

I answered, "Sir, you know."

And he said, "These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore, "they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat upon them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; he will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

**Pastor:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

### **EPISTLE: 1 JOHN 3:1-3**

How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is

that it did not know him. Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when he appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. Everyone who has this hope in him purifies himself, just as he is pure. *(NIV)*

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

*Please rise*

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE** *(Sung – LSB page 205)*

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**  
**These things are written that you may believe that**  
**Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL: MATTHEW 5:1-12***(NIV)*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**People: Glory to You, O Lord** *(Responses are sung, Page 157)*

Now when [Jesus] saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down.

His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

## PROFESSION OF FAITH

*Martin Luther's Explanation to the Third Article of the Apostles' Creed*

**I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.**

**In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.**

**On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.**

**This is most certainly true. Amen.**

**HYMN** *"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"* – LSB 821 (Please rise for verse 5)

## THE SERMON

*Psalm 34:3: "Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together." (NIV)*

*After the sermon please rise to sing:*

**SONG OF RESPONSE** *"Majesty"* – BOB 154

*Please be seated*

## SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS: THE OFFERING

*I urge you to lead a life worthy of your calling, for you have been called by God.*

Ephesians 4:1

Because we value your presence in worship and desire to serve you as best as we can, please use this time to complete the Fellowship Pew Pad and pass it to your neighbor. Prayer requests may be made by filling out the green card in the pew rack in front of you and placing it in the offering plate.

## MUSICAL OFFERTORY

*Please rise to sing:*

*"He Is Arisen! Glorious Word" – LSB 488*

**He is arisen! Glorious Word!  
Now reconciled is God, my Lord;  
The gates of heav'n are open.  
My Jesus did triumphant die,  
And Satan's arrows broken lie,  
Destroyed hell's fiercest weapon.  
O hear what cheer! Christ victorious, Rising glorious, Life is giving.  
He was dead but now is living!**

## **PRAYERS**

**Pastor:** Let us remember with thanksgiving on this day our brothers and sisters in Christ who have gone before us in the Faith and who have received Christian burial. In His loving-kindness, God granted these saints new life through His Son in Holy Baptism and nourished them in the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ at His Holy Table. Now in His mercy He has summoned them to His eternal presence that they may be continually engaged in worshipping the Lamb forever and ever.

**Pastor:** + **Edward Konkolewski** + (November 23, 2017)  
I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

**People:** **Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness.**  
*(2 Timothy 4:7-8)*

**Pastor:** + **Barbara Stallworth** + (December 28, 2017)  
The pillars of the earth are the LORD's, and He has set the world upon them.

**People:** **He will guard the feet of His saints.** *(1 Samuel 2:9)*

**Pastor:** + **Westin James Fuller** + (January 2, 2018)  
I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies.

**People:** **And whoever lives and believes in Me will never die.** *(John 11:25-26)*

Pastor: **+ Evelyn Mae Ebbert +** (April 24, 2018)  
Since then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

**People: Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.**  
*(Colossians 3:1-2)*

Pastor: **+ Lillian Catherine Boucek +** (April 28, 2018)  
I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end He will stand upon the earth.

**People: And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God.**  
*(Job 19:25-26)*

Pastor: **+ Loris Walter Rather +** (May, 10, 2018)  
The Lord will watch over your coming and going

**People: both now and forevermore.** *(Psalm 121:8)*

Pastor: **+ Beverly Lautner +** (August 30, 2018)  
I tell you the truth, whoever hears My Word and believes in Him who sent Me has eternal life and will not be condemned;

**People: He has crossed over from death to life.** *(John 5:24)*

Pastor: In joyful expectation of the resurrection to life eternal, we now remember before You, O Lord, in our hearts and minds, all those relatives, friends, and fellow church members who have gone before us in faith. We give You thanks for the faith into which we have been baptized. In hope and prayer, we hold on to Your eternal promises.

*(A time of silence is observed)*

Pastor: Lord, remember Your Church throughout the world. Help its members grow in love for You and one another. As You have received our loved ones who have gone to their rest in the hope of the resurrection to eternal life, bring us at last with them into the light of Your presence, that we too may give You glory forever.

**People: Amen.**



## ✝ SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION ✝

### PREFACE *(Response is spoken)*

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *[Psalm 136]*

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

### PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. In the communion of all Your saints gathered into the one body of Your Son, You have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses that we, encouraged by their faith and strengthened by their fellowship, may run with perseverance the race that is set before us and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that does not fade away.

People: **Amen.**

### LORD'S PRAYER

**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.** *[Matthew 6:9-13]*

### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor: 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." *[Matthew. 26:26-28]*

## THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace † of the Lord be with you always. [John 20:19]

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI ≈ *Lamb of God (Sung – LSB page 210) [John 1:29]*

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

*Please be seated*

## DISTRIBUTION

*Our belief and practice concerning Holy Communion is written on page 2 of this worship folder. Reception of Communion indicates that you share our confession.*

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

*“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”*

**I know that my Redeemer lives!  
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!  
He lives, he lives, who once was dead;  
He lives, my ever living head!**

**He lives to bless me with his love;  
He lives to plead for me above;  
He lives my hungry soul to feed;  
He lives to help in time of need.**

**He lives, all glory to his name!  
He lives, my savior, still the same;  
What joy this blest assurance gives:  
I know that my Redeemer lives!**



*After all have communed, please rise to sing:*

*"Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise" (Verses 1 & 3 – LSB 680*

**Thine the amen Thine the praise Alleluias angels raise  
Thine the everlasting head Thine the breaking of the bread  
Thine the glory Thine the story Thine the harvest then the cup  
Thine the vineyard then the cup is lifted up lifted up.**

**Thine the truly Thine the yes Thine the table we the guest  
Thine the mercy all from Thee Thine the glory yet to be  
Then the ringing and the singing Then the end of all the war  
Thine the living Thine the loving evermore evermore.**

### **POST-COMMUNION DISMISSAL**

**Pastor:** The body and blood of the Lord strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the true to life everlasting. Depart with joy and with confidence in His + peace.

**People:** Amen.

### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**Pastor:** We pray together:

**All:** Blessed Savior, Jesus Christ, You have given Yourself to us in this holy Sacrament. Keep us in Your faith and favor that we may live in You as You live in us. May Your body and blood preserve us in the true faith to life everlasting. Amen.

### **BENEDICTION**

**Pastor:** Let us bless the Lord. [*Psalm 103:1*]

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Pastor:** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. [*Numbers 6:24-26*]

**People:** Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN** “*Sing with All the Saints in Glory*”– LSB 671

1 Sing with all the saints in glo - ry, Sing the res - ur -  
 2 Oh, what glo - ry, far ex - ceed - ing All that eye has  
 3 Life e - ter - nal! Heav'n re - joic - es: Je - sus lives who

rec - tion song! Death and sor - row, earth's dark sto - ry,  
 yet per - ceived! Ho - liest hearts for a - ges plead - ing  
 once was dead. Shout with joy, O death - less voic - es!

To the for - mer days be - long. All a - round the  
 Nev - er that full joy con - ceived. God has prom - ised,  
 Child of God, lift up your head! Life e - ter - nal!

clouds are break - ing; Soon the storms of time shall  
 Christ pre - pares it; There on high our wel - come  
 Oh, what won - ders Crowd on faith; what joy un -

cease; In God's like - ness we a - wak - en,  
 waits. Ev - 'ry hum - ble spir - it shares it,  
 known, When, a - mid earth's clos - ing thun - ders,

Know - ing ev - er - last - ing peace.  
 Christ has passed the e - ter - nal gates.  
 Saints shall stand be - fore the throne!

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