

The Second Sunday after Epiphany  
January 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019  
Chapel of the Cross Lutheran Church  
Saint Peters MO



## To our Guests

The Lord's Supper is celebrated in the confession and confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but also His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus, invited to His table are those who trust His words about this Holy Meal, repent of sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which we believe, teach, and confess at this altar. Therefore, all who have been baptized and properly instructed in the Christian faith, and who confess with the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod the pure Gospel and Sacraments of Christ Jesus, are invited to the Lord's Table.

If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and desire to confess the teachings of this church, please speak to the pastors or one of our elders. If you are interested in receiving a Gluten-free wafer, please talk with Pastor before the service.

Dear Guest,

Welcome to Chapel of the Cross Lutheran Church. We are honored to have you here today to receive God's message of love through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. If you are new to the area and/or are looking for a church home, we invite you to join our family here at Chapel of the Cross. Our mission at Chapel is to teach and preach Jesus Christ, our Savior, because of what He has done for us, namely dying for our sins and rising from the dead to win victory over death. We want to strengthen each other with this truth, as well as proclaim it to all who have yet to hear it. We pray that today's service will strengthen your faith as God speaks His gifts of love, forgiveness, and eternal life to you, and as He moves you to thank and praise Him for these good gifts. We send a live-stream of our worship services to our website at our 8:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. services. We believe that this technology is a wonderful way to reach out to our homebound, to our visitors, and to our world.

**Our nursery is located in the Family Room off the Coffee Shoppe.  
Please turn off all cell phones while in church.**

### **Our Musicians Today:**

**Organist  
Bells**

**Josh Freund  
The Chapel Bells**

**Director: Phyllis Carter**

**Preservice Music**

**Welcome**

## Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## Exhortation

LSB 151

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

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

## Confession of Sins

LSB 151

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

## Absolution

LSB 151

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## Hymn of Praise

This Is the Feast

LSB 155

## Prayer of the Day

- P** Let us pray: Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**C** Amen.

OR

This Is the Feast

Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9

*Refrain*

**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
 5 For the Lamb ——— who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

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- C** Amen.

## First Reading

**Acts 2:42–47**

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common. And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the

proceeds to all, as any had need. And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

**P**: This is the Word of the Lord. **G**: **Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading

**1 Thessalonians 4:9–18**

Now concerning brotherly love you have no need for anyone to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love one another, for that indeed is what you are doing to all the brothers throughout Macedonia. But we urge you, brothers, to do this more and more, and to aspire to live quietly, and to mind your own affairs, and to work with your hands, as we instructed you, so that you may live properly before outsiders and be dependent on no one. But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so,

through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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## Gospel Preparation

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**These things are written that you may believe**

**That Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## Holy Gospel

John 15:9-17

[Jesus said:] "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do

what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. These things I command you, so that you will love one another."

**P**: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,  
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.**

Hymn of the Day

Brothers and Sisters in Christ

- 1 Sing Alleluia! Amen! Let your prayers and your praises ascend.  
Lift up your voices and sing to our Lord God, our Savior and King!  
Here brought together by grace, we are gathered as friends in this place.

Refrain And assembled as one, in the name of the Son,  
Lifting hearts, lifting hands, celebrating as friends,  
And proclaiming the Lord, all our praises afford.  
We are brothers and sisters in Christ.

- 2 Man walked alone and in need, without faith, hope or promise or creed;  
Wandering aimlessly lost unaware of the staggering cost;  
That God in His mercy would save all His people from death and the grave.

Refrain

- 3 Lord, teach us how to proclaim all Your goodness, Your love and Your name!  
Lord, teach us how to forgive, and in love, teach us, Lord, how to live.  
Raising our voices in song, help us tell all the world we belong.

Refrain

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Sermon	Rev. Dr. Mark Hoehner
Strengthen One Another	

Hymn of Response

LSB 192

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.  
Amen.

The Offering

- P:** It is the Lord who blesses the work of our hands. Therefore, we give to Him our thankfulness in our offering for this day.
- G:** Our offerings symbolize that all we have and all we are come from God. With thanks we return a part of what is His to Him, as an act of thanksgiving.

Voluntary

We Three Kings

The Chapel Bells



## Prayer of the Church

**P:** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

After each petition:

**P:** Lord, in Your mercy,

**C:** hear our prayer.

**P:** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## ✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

### Preface (Divine Service, Setting Four)

LSB 208

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

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

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

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus

LSB 208

**C** Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

### Lord's Prayer

LSB 209

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

- 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  $\dagger$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
- P** 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  $\dagger$  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 209

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

## Agnus Dei

### Lamb of God, Pure and Holy

LSB 434

**Lamb of God, pure and holy, Who on the cross didst suffer,  
Ever patient and lowly, Thyself to scorn didst offer.  
All sins Thou borest for us, Else had despair reigned o'er us:  
Thy peace be with us, O Jesus! O Jesus!**

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## Distribution Hymns

Non-alcoholic wine is available in the center of each tray for those with medical concerns.  
Non-confirmed children and adults are invited to come to the altar to receive a blessing.

\*\*Please note: once Distribution is over and the Pastors kneel to commune, we will finish the verse we are singing and skip ahead to "Thank the Lord" (LSB 181).

## Distribution Hymn

### They'll Know We Are Christians

- 1 We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord.  
We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord.  
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.  
Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.**
- 2 We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand.  
We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand.  
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land. (chorus)**

- 3 We will work with each other; we will work side by side.  
We will work with each other; we will work side by side.  
And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride. (chorus)
- 4 All praise to the Father, from whom all things come.  
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son.  
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one. (chorus)

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Distribution Hymn

Glorify Thy Name

- 1 Father, we love You. We praise You, we adore You.  
Glorify Thy Name in all the earth.  
Refrain: Glorify Thy name. Glorify Thy name.  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.
- 2 Jesus, we love You. We praise You, we adore You.  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth ..... refrain
- 3 Spirit, we love You. We praise You, we adore You.  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth ..... refrain

Distribution Hymn

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

- 1 How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond measure  
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.  
How great the pain of searing loss. The Father turns His face away  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.
- 2 Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders.  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.  
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished;  
His dying breath has brought me life. I know that it is finished.
- 3 I will not boast in anything: no gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom.  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ: His death and resurrection.  
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer.  
But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.

Hymn

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

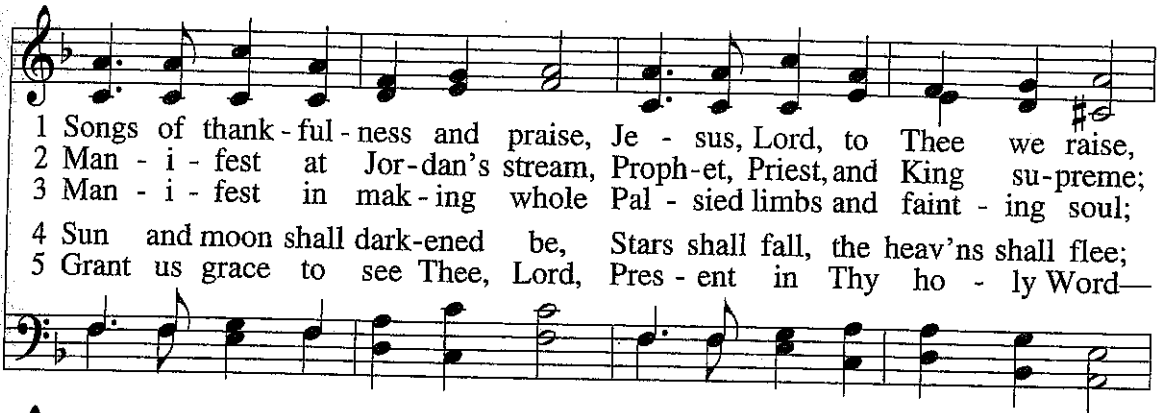
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Hymn

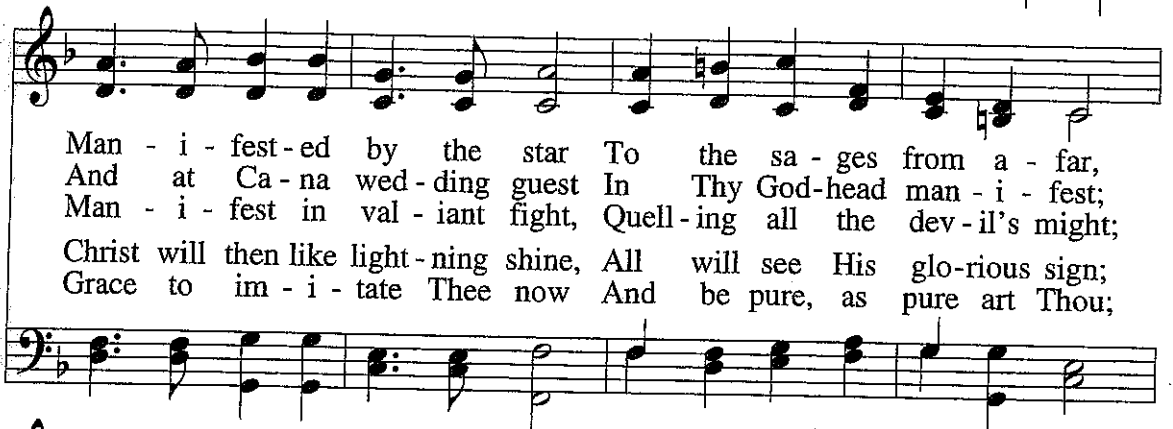
Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

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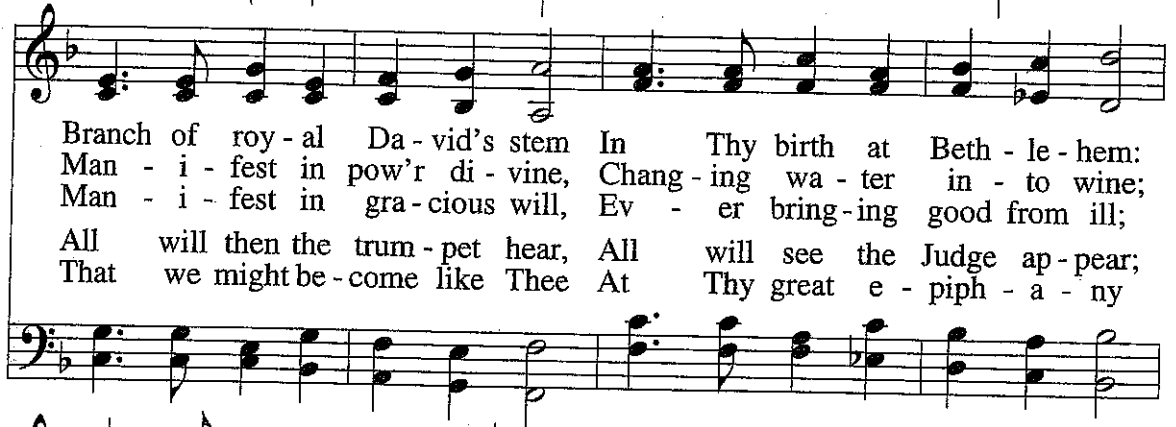
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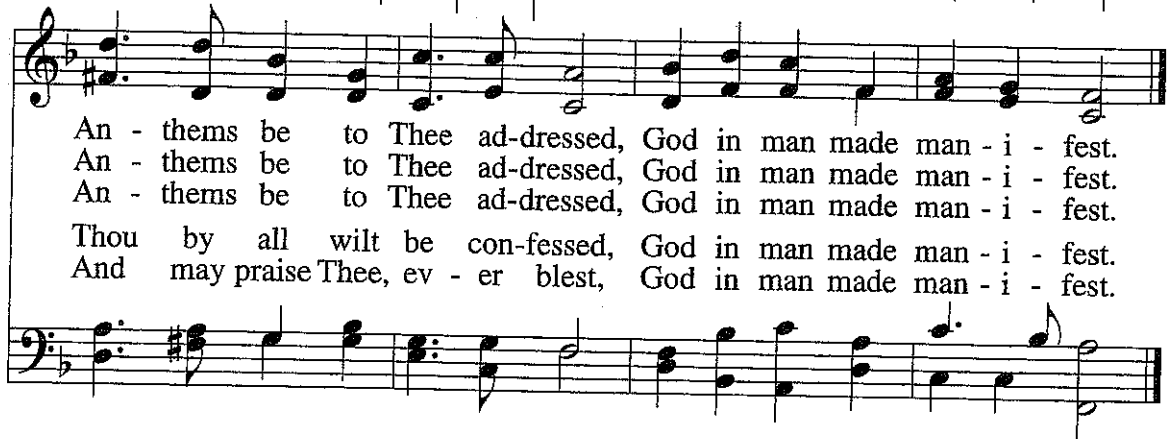
1 Songs of thank-ful-ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,  
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor-dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King su-preme;  
 3 Man - i - fest in mak-ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;  
 4 Sun and moon shall dark-ened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee;  
 5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word—



Man - i - fest-ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far,  
 And at Ca - na wed - ding guest In Thy God-head man - i - fest;  
 Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell - ing all the dev - il's might;  
 Christ will then like light - ning shine, All will see His glo - rious sign;  
 Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem:  
 Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;  
 Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring - ing good from ill;  
 All will then the trum - pet hear, All will see the Judge ap - pear;  
 That we might be - come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny



An - thems be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
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 Thou by all wilt be con-fessed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

5 What God ordains is always good:  
 Though I the cup am drinking  
 Which savors now of bitterness,  
 I take it without shrinking.  
 For after grief  
 God gives relief,  
 My heart with comfort filling  
 And all my sorrow stilling.

6 What God ordains is always good:  
 This truth remains unshaken.  
 Though sorrow, need, or death be mine,  
 I shall not be forsaken.  
 I fear no harm,  
 For with His arm  
 He shall embrace and shield me;  
 So to my God I yield me.

## Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

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1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee;  
 2 Not the la - bors of my hands Can ful - fill Thy Law's de - mands;  
 3 Noth - ing in my hand I bring; Sim - ply to Thy cross I cling.  
 4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, When mine eye - lids close in death,

Let the wa - ter and the blood, From Thy riv - en side which flowed,  
 Could my zeal no res - pite know, Could my tears for - ev - er flow,  
 Na - ked, come to Thee for dress; Help - less, look to Thee for grace;  
 When I soar to worlds un - known, See Thee on Thy judg - ment throne,

Be of sin the dou - ble cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.  
 All for sin could not a - tone; Thou must save, and Thou a - lone.  
 Foul, I to the foun - tain fly; Wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.  
 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee.

**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what  
 He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -  
 joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-  
 es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -  
 giv - ing. Al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

**Post-Communion Prayer**

- 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.

# Benediction

**Benediction**

- P:** 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.
- C:** Amen.

- 1 **Blest be the tie that binds  
Our hearts in Christian love;  
The fellowship of kindred minds  
Is like to that above.**
- 2 **Before our Father's throne  
We pour our ardent prayers;  
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,  
Our comforts and our cares.**
- 3 **We share our mutual woes,  
Our mutual burdens bear,  
And often for each other flows  
The sympathizing tear.**
- 4 **When here our pathways part,  
We suffer bitter pain;  
Yet, one in Christ and one in heart,  
We hope to meet again.**
- 5 **From sorrow, toil, and pain,  
And sin we shall be free  
And perfect love and friendship reign  
Through all eternity.**

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**Blessed**  
~~to Be a~~  
**Blessing**

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## WORSHIP TIMES

SUNDAY: Service 8:00 & 10:45AM  
Sunday School 9:25AM  
Adult Bible Class 9:30AM

MONDAY: Service 7:00PM

WEDNESDAY:  
Mid-Week Devotional Service 11:00AM  
Mid-Week Bible Hour 6:30PM

Holy Communion served on  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays  
and 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday

Non-Communion Blended Divine Service  
on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays

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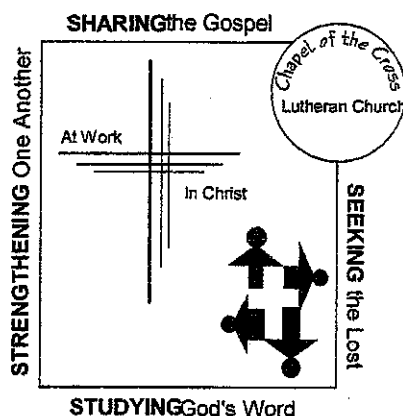


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STUDY God's Word, and  
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