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Hymn: 409 Hail, O Source of Every Blessing

1 Hail, O Source of ev-'ry bless-ing, Fa-ther of our  
 2 Once far off but now in-vit-ed, We ap-proach Your  
 3 Hail, O all-in-vit-ing Sav-ior! Gen-tiles now their  
 hu-man race! Gen-tiles now, Your grace pos-sess-ing, In Your  
 sa-cred throne, In Your cov-e-nant u-nit-ed, Rec-on-  
 of-f'rings bring, In Your tem-ples seek Your fa-vor, Je-sus  
 courts ob-tain a place. Grate-ful now, we fall be-fore You,  
 ciled, re-deemed, made one. Now re-vealed to east-ern sa-ges,  
 Christ, our Lord and King. May we, bod-y, soul, and spir-it,  
 In Your Church re-joice to live. See Your glo-ry  
 See the Star of Mer-cy shine, Mys-t'ry hid in  
 Live de-vot-ed to Your praise, Glo-rious realms of  
 and a-dore You, Thank-ful for the grace You give.  
 for-mer a-ges, Mys-t'ry great of love di-vine.  
 bliss in-her-it, Grate-ful an-thems ev-er raise.

Text: Basil Woodd, 1760–1831, alt.  
 Tune: Geist-reiches Gesang-Buch, 1704, Halle, ed. Johann A. Freylinghausen  
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- 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.**
- 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.

**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.

**C** Amen.

## Psalm 15

*Psalm 15*



<sup>1</sup>O LORD, who shall sojourn | in your tent? \*  
Who shall dwell on your | holy hill?  
<sup>2</sup>He who walks blamelessly and does | what is right \*  
and speaks truth | in his heart;  
<sup>3</sup>who does not slander with his tongue  
and does no evil to his | neighbor, \*  
nor takes up a reproach a- | gainst his friend;  
<sup>4</sup>in whose eyes a vile person is despised,  
but who honors those who | fear the LORD; \*  
who swears to his own hurt and | does not change;  
<sup>5</sup>who does not put out his money at interest  
and does not take a bribe against the | innocent. \*  
He who does these things shall nev- | er be moved.

**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

**G** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
 on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187

**P** Glory be to God on high: **G** and on earth peace, good - will toward  
 men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,  
 we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
 O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.  
 O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;  
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.  
 Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-  
 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.  
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,  
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

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

**P** Let us pray.

**P** Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** A - men.

## Micah 6:1-8

*Micah 6:1-8*

<sup>1</sup>Hear what the LORD says:  
 Arise, plead your case before the mountains,  
 and let the hills hear your voice.

<sup>2</sup>Hear, you mountains, the indictment of the LORD,  
and you enduring foundations of the earth,  
for the LORD has an indictment against his people,  
and he will contend with Israel.

<sup>3</sup>“O my people, what have I done to you?  
How have I wearied you? Answer me!

<sup>4</sup>For I brought you up from the land of Egypt  
and redeemed you from the house of slavery,  
and I sent before you Moses,  
Aaron, and Miriam.

<sup>5</sup>O my people, remember what Balak king of Moab  
devised,  
and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him,  
and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,  
that you may know the saving acts of the LORD.”

<sup>6</sup>“With what shall I come before the LORD,  
and bow myself before God on high?  
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,  
with calves a year old?

<sup>7</sup>Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,  
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?  
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,  
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

<sup>8</sup>He has told you, O man, what is good;  
and what does the LORD require of you  
but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?

## **1 Corinthians 1:18–31**

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<sup>18</sup>The word of the cross is folly to those who are  
perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the  
power of God. <sup>19</sup>For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
and the discernment of the discerning I will  
thwart.”

<sup>20</sup>Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe?  
Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made

foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

<sup>26</sup>For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup>But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; <sup>28</sup>God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, <sup>29</sup>so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. <sup>30</sup>He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. <sup>31</sup>Therefore, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Alleluia

LSB 190



## Matthew 5:1–12

Matthew 5:1–12

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.





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.

# The Sermon Song: The Power of the Cross (Getty)

## Verse 1

Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day  
Christ on the road to Calvary  
Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then  
Nailed to a cross of wood

## Chorus 1

This the pow'r of the cross  
Christ became sin for us  
Took the blame bore the wrath  
We stand forgiven at the cross

## Verse 2

Oh to see the pain written on Your face  
Bearing the awesome weight of sin  
Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed  
Crowning Your bloodstained brow (Chorus 1)

## Verse 3

Now the daylight flees now the ground beneath  
Quakes as its Maker bows His head  
Curtain torn in two dead are raised to life  
Finished the vict'ry cry (Chorus 1)

## Verse 4

Oh to see my name written in the wounds  
For through Your suff'ring I am free  
Death is crushed to death life is mine to live  
Won through Your selfless love (Chorus 2)

## Chorus 2

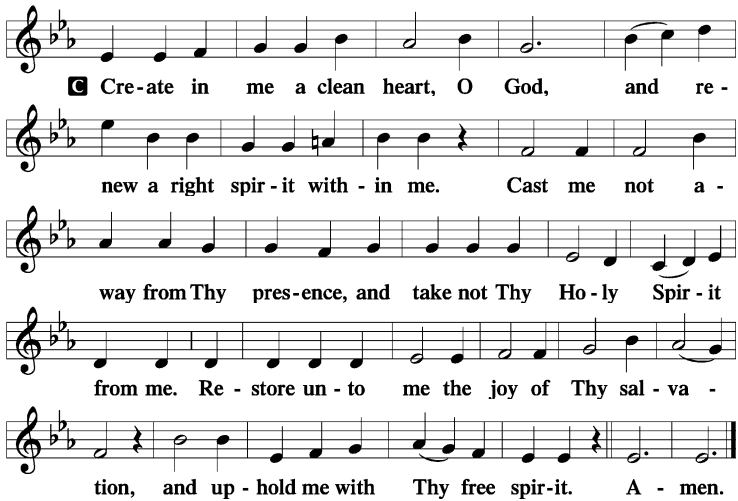
This the pow'r of the cross  
Son of God slain for us  
What a love what a cost  
We stand forgiven at the cross

**The Sermon** *(During the sermon, children who are ages 3 through grade 2 are invited to participate in KIDZ Time. Children can make their way to the back of the sanctuary where the KIDZ Time teacher is waiting. The children will return to the service following the sermon.)*

**The Offering** *(Please sign the burgundy Friendship booklet and pass it to other people sitting in your pew. When completed, pass it back to the center aisle and be sure to greet the people next to you! Those sitting by the center aisle: please tear off the completed sheet and place it on the pew. Thank you!)*

## Offertory

LSB 192



**C** Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

## Prayer of the Church & The Lord's Prayer

- P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For pardon, that the Lord would set aside His indictment against our sin and forgive us for Jesus' sake, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the wisdom of God, that we would not confess the wisdom of men, but boldly proclaim

Christ and Him crucified for the salvation of the world, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For meekness, that we would be delivered from stubborn hearts and gladly submit to God's holy will, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For parents, that the Lord who gave His firstborn for our sins would strengthen them to teach their children His ways and to rejoice in His grace rather than embrace the sins of their forebears, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For peace, that the Lord who led His people past Pharaoh and Balak would provide wise rulers to the nations and protect us from tyranny, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For those reviled and slandered on account of Jesus, that the Lord would preserve them and ceaselessly give them joy and gladness that their reward in heaven is great, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For help in affliction, that the Lord who chooses what is weak in the world to shame the strong would use infirmities for our good until He delivers those who suffer them, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For \_\_\_\_\_, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For hunger and thirst for Christ's body and blood, that by His Holy Communion we may be cleansed of our sin and equipped to love Him above all and to love our neighbor as ourselves, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** Lord God, heavenly Father, receive our thanks for the saints whom You preserved in righteousness and delivered to glory. Purify our hearts by Your grace and strengthen us against temptation, that we would look joyfully to the day when we will see You in glory; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

**A Song:** Lift High the Name of Jesus (Getty)

**Verse 1**

Lift high the name of Jesus  
Of Jesus our King  
Make known the power of His grace  
The beauty of His peace  
Remember how His mercy reached  
And we cried out to Him  
He lifted us to solid ground  
To freedom from our sin

**Chorus**

Oh sing my soul  
And tell all He's done  
'Til the earth and heavens are filled with His glory

**Verse 2**

Lift high the name of Jesus  
Of Jesus our Lord  
His pow'r in us is greater than  
Is greater than this world  
To share the reason for our hope  
To serve with love and grace  
That all who see Him shine through us  
Might bring the Father praise (Chorus)

### Verse 3

Lift high the name of Jesus  
Of Jesus our Light  
No other name on earth can save  
Can raise us a soul to life  
He opens up our eyes to see  
The harvest He has grown  
We labor in His fields of grace  
As He leads sinners home (Chorus)

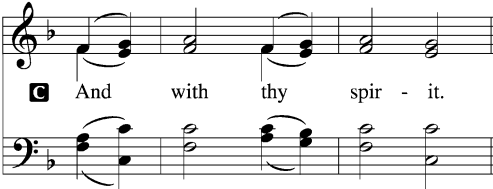
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## The Announcements and Blessing

### Preface

LSB 194

**P** The Lord be with you.



**G** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Lift up your hearts.



**G** We lift them up un - to 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; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. 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 195*

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
 heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
 ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,  
 bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.  
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

# The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

## Pax Domini

LSB 197

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

A musical staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody consists of a half note G, a quarter note A, a quarter note B, a quarter note C, a half note D, and a whole note E. The lyrics "A - men." are written below the staff.

## Agnus Dei

LSB 198

A musical score for Agnus Dei in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is spread across five staves. The lyrics are: "O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men." The final note of the piece is a sharp F (F#).

## Distribution

### Distribution Hymn: 832 Jesus Shall Reign

A musical staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody consists of a half note G, a quarter note A, a quarter note B, a quarter note C, a half note D, a whole note E, a quarter note F, a quarter note G, a quarter note A, a quarter note B, a quarter note C, a half note D, and a whole note E. The lyrics are: "1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun Does its suc - 2 To Him shall end - less prayer be made, And end - less 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue Dwell on His 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er He reigns: The pris - 'ners 5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring Hon - ors pe -"





ces - sive jour - neys run; His king - dom stretch from  
prais - es crown His head; His name like sweet per -  
love with sweet - est song; And in - fant voic - es  
leap, un - loose their chains, The wea - ry find e -  
cu - liar to our King; An - gels de - scend with

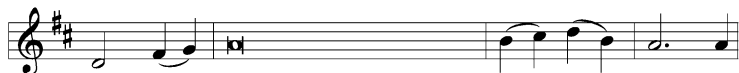


shore to shore Till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
fume shall rise With ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
shall pro - claim Their ear - ly bless - ings on His name.  
ter - nal rest, And all who suf - fer want are blest.  
songs a - gain, And earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.  
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## Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199



**C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and



to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,



## Thanksgiving

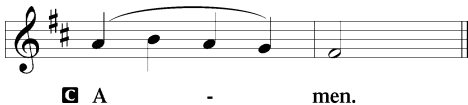
LSB 200

**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



**A** Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**P** The Lord be with you.



## Benedicamus

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**A** Bless we the Lord.

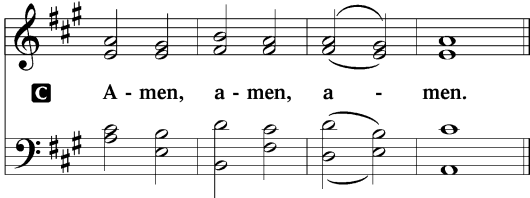


☐ Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

LSB 202

☐ 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.



☐ A - men, a - men, a - men.

## Hymn to Depart: 394 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise



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.  
An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
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.

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## Events of the Week: January 30- February 5, 2023

Monday	6:30 p.m. Communion service
Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Discovery Class
Wednesday	10:00a.m. Darrell's Bible Class
Thursday	6:00 p.m. Bell Choir 7:15 p.m. Adult Choir
Friday	Pastor's Day off
Sunday	8:00 a.m. Gizmo on FB 9:30 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Bible study

## FINANCIAL DISCIPLESHIP: January 22, 2023

General Fund	\$2025.00
Building Fund	\$10.00
ISJ Academy	\$0.00
Tessaro Ministry	<u>\$0.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2035.00</b>

## Those Who Serve Today:

**Officiant:** Pastor Glenn Schaeffer

**Lector:** Cindy McAuliffe

**Organist:** Beth McKay

**Deacons:** Bryan Ensing & Craig Popma

**Ushers:** Dale & Grace Rosema and Caleb Butler

**Video/Sound/Recording:** Nathan Urbanski, John, and Marjie Weiss

**January Altar Guild:** Cindy McAuliffe

## Announcements

### Dorcas Eating Out

All women are invited to meet at Cheers on Plainfield Ave for lunch on Thursday, February 9th at 12:30. Please indicate that you will be joining us by signing the sheet outside the office or contact Rachel Palmer (616-883-6949) or by email ([palmerrm@comcast.net](mailto:palmerrm@comcast.net)) by February 5th.

### February Cookie Love Outreach

*May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else..."*

*1 Thessalonians 3:12*

You are invited to let your love overflow! For Valentine's Day St. James' LWML will be assembling trays of cookies to show St. James love to first responders, care staff at congregate settings, neighborhood school staffs, and other care-givers in our community. Everyone can help share the love of our Lord by getting involved!

*You can use your hands to embrace our neighbors by doing one of the following ...*

**Bake** some cookies with love!

**Assemble** trays of delicious cookies at the February 5<sup>th</sup> LWML meeting!

**Carry** the love into the community by delivering a tray!

Wrap individual baked goods with plastic wrap or small snack bags. Deliver your goodies to church on or before Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to write cards of encouragement for the organizations that receive the treats, or if you would like to help deliver trays, speak to Sandra before January 29th.

**The Discovery Class has begun, but it's not too late to participate.** The Discovery class met for the first time this past Tuesday. If you would like to attend this 12-session review of the Christian faith, please come out to the class. The class meets on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.

### Let the Beauty of the Lord be upon us Conference.

There will be a conference on Saturday, February 11, 2023 from 9:00am – 4:00pm at Our Savior Lutheran Church at 2900 Burton Street SE; Grand Rapids, MI 49506. A \$20 Registration includes lunch and presentations from DCS.

Carolyn Brinkley (Enriching Devotional Life through Artwork), Rev. David Fleming (The Beauty of Holiness) and Rev. Sean Daenzer (Get Ready for Good Friday with J.S. Bach). Please RSVP at 616-949-0710 or Email at [churchsecretary@oursavior-gr.org](mailto:churchsecretary@oursavior-gr.org)

### **WML ENROLLMENT OPENS MARCH 1ST!**

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### **Darrell's Bible Class**

We meet every Wednesday at 10:00am at church. They are currently considering the impact of science on religion and how that affects us in our everyday lives. Everyone is welcome, we hope to see you there soon!

## A Statement on Holy Communion

**We rejoice in the celebration of the LORD'S Supper** as the Lord Jesus comes to us in a very personal manner, giving to us His true Body and Blood in, with, and under the bread and wine in this sacred meal. St. Paul writes, *"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) It is out of love and care for every individual that comes to the Lord's Supper that we ask those who are not instructed in the faith and/or doubt the presence of the Body and Blood of Jesus in this Sacrament to refrain from attending the Lord's Supper.

Members of Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregations, who:

- Repent of their sin;
- Believe in Jesus as their Savior;
- Trust that they are receiving, not only bread and wine, but also the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ in the Lord's Supper for the forgiveness of their sins; and
- Intend, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to live as forgiven sinners resisting the devil, saying no to sinful desires, and walking in the newness of life;

are invited to partake of this Holy Meal with us. We request that ALL guests who desire to commune, kindly speak to the Pastor before the service.

If you prefer to come forward for a blessing at the time of Holy Communion, please do so. We ask that you cross your arms over your chest so that Pastor knows you want to receive a blessing.

**NOTE:** We provide gluten-free communion host and non-alcohol grape juice. Just let Pastor and/or the assistants know when you come for Holy Communion.