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Worship:

- Saturday: 6:15 p.m.
- Sunday: 9:15 a.m.
- Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. *(Located in the church basement)*
- Sunday Morning Fellowship: 10:30 a.m.
- Adult Bible Class: 10:45 a.m.

Office Hours:

- Monday: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.;
- Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.; *(12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. – Lunch)*
- Friday, 9 a.m. – Noon

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From the Pastor

Grace, mercy and peace to you all from God our Father through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

I pray that you all are well and safe. Continue practicing patience during this confusing time. Keep watch over and stay in contact with family, friends and fellow workers. Simply stay busy doing that which is good and pleasing in the sight of God.

I am including activities and learning suggestions for you and your children of all ages. I hope this will deepen your appreciation and understand of the Divine Service.

For younger children

Word Search: love

[Underline or highlight this word or phrase throughout the Divine Service]

A Sunday School lesson can be found at our website: www.trinitylutherantaylorville.org

5th graders and older: Mark the service with directional arrows [↗] as to show what direction the interaction between God, us and with each other is taking place. Use these symbols to indicate our posture during the service [| - standing in respect; ⊔ - kneeling to receive a blessing or show respect; ⊞ - humbly sitting to receive from the Lord].

The coloring page can be saved in Paint 3D for your children and you to color on the computer screen.

Also, have those who can read, answer the questions found throughout the Divine Service. They can highlight or underline the answers usually found above the questions.

For older children especially those who are in or have in the past studied Luther's Small Catechism

Where is this found in the Luther's Small Catechism? Put *LSC* in the margin and the section [*Ten Commandments, Creed, Lord's Prayer, Baptism, Office of the Keys, or the Lord's Supper*] of the catechism where this teaching can be found. [*ex: LSC-Baptism*]

A Bible Study on one of the lessons can be found at our website:
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Adults/parents

You may find this helpful to do the above also, even the drawing and coloring.

For the youngest of your children, draw a cross or a picture, if your talent so allows, anywhere in the Divine Service and let your little ones color them.

Another exercise you can do is to journal your thoughts on the Word and the following service. Each day read through a section and journal your thoughts and/or insights you may have. If you know to insert and use “Text Box” that is a good way to do it. You may also go to “References” and use “Foot Note” to record your thoughts or insight.

Registering for afterschool Catechizing Classes

With public schools going to remote learning and Vision Way still offering full day classes, the afterschool catechizing classes are going to take on a new look. Remote learning without video capabilities will be offered for those who register for remote learning. Small group sessions can be arranged pending the students’ schedule. Once you know their schedules let me know.

Contact the church office to register or if you have any questions.

God bless, keep and increase your faith in Christ as you now read, mark and inwardly digest His Word.

Pass It On

From the office of the Central Illinois District LCMS

In preparation for Proper 21 – September 27, 2020

Children love to ask questions. Sometimes, they get hooked on asking “why”: Why this? Why that? Have you ever turned the “why” question around on inquiring children? Often, they don’t know what to say.

A Scripture to be read in our church service on Sunday tells of when Jesus once turned around on people who were questioning Him. They asked by what authority He was acting. He said He would tell them, but first He had a question for them. He went on to ask a question to show how they had really been much more concerned about their own looking good than about Him and His authority.

People often put questions to the church. Sometimes these questions are genuine. Occasionally, they are posed to make a point. The church tries to answer.

Sometimes, though, the church should follow the lead of the Lord and take its own turn to ask questions, based on God’s Word. Then things can get interesting. For the questions that the Lord puts to us are always much more serious and pointed than any questions devised by human beings.

God's Word goes to the heart of things. It asks who and where we really are. To whom do we belong? Why should the likes of us ever get anything good from God?

It can disappoint people that the Bible does not answer every single question that they ask God. Yet God definitely gives the answer to the very toughest questions, the questions He asks us.

The answer for those is Jesus.

Yes, the answer is God Himself, come into this world as human as you or I. He came to pay for our sins, win the victory over our ultimate enemies, and reconcile us to Himself.

Jesus is the answer. Now, what was your question?

WORSHIP FOLDER

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—PROPER 21

What Do You Think?

September 26 & 27, 2020

As We Gather

We always want to know why. The rulers of the people wanted to know why Jesus was saying what He said and doing what He did. But Jesus challenged them with His Word and with the prophetic voice of John the Baptist. Why did they not listen, and why did they not repent? Why do we not listen and repent? Jesus told a parable of two sons—one whose words were yes but his heart was no, and the other whose words were no but whose heart said yes. We are called to listen. Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and we shall be saved.



Order of Divine Service *LSB 151*

Opening Hymn “Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way” *LSB 857*

- 1 Lord, help us walk Your servant way
Wherever love may lead
And, bending low, forgetting self,
Each serve the other's need.
- 2 You came to earth, O Christ, as Lord,
But pow'r You laid aside.
You lived Your years in servanthood;
In lowliness You died.
- 3 No golden scepter but a towel
You place within the hands
Of those who seek to follow You
And live by Your commands.

4 You bid us bend our human pride
 Nor count ourselves above
 The lowest place, the meanest task
 That waits the gift of love.

5 Lord, help us walk Your servant way
 Wherever love may lead
 And, bending low, forgetting self,
 Each serve the other's need.

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Opening Sentences Psalm 25:6–7; 147:6

P The Lord lifts up the humble;
C **He casts the wicked to the ground.**
P Remember Your mercy, O Lord, and Your steadfast love
C **for they have been from of old.**
P Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
C **according to Your steadfast love, remember me, for the sake of Your
goodness, O Lord!**

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

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

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.**

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.**

P 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 T
Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

Introit

- P The LORD lifts up the humble;
he casts the wicked to the ground.
- C **Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God;
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.**
- P The LORD builds up Jerusalem;
he gathers the outcasts of Israel.
- C **He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.**
- P He determines the number of the stars;
he gives to all of them their names.
- C **Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;
his understanding is beyond measure.
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.**
- P The LORD lifts up the humble;
he casts the wicked to the ground.

Kyrie *LSB 152*

- A In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis *LSB 154*

- A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.
- C **Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:
We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:
You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.
For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,**

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, You exalted Your Son to the place of all honor and authority. Enlighten our minds by Your Holy Spirit that, confessing Jesus as Lord, we may be led into all truth; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading Ezekiel 18:1–4, 25–32

¹The word of the LORD came to me: ²“What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, ‘The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge’?”

³As I live, declares the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. ⁴Behold, all souls are mine; the soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is mine: the soul who sins shall die. . . .

²⁵“Yet you say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way not just? Is it not your ways that are not just? ²⁶When a righteous person turns away from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it; for the injustice that he has done he shall die.

²⁷Again, when a wicked person turns away from the wickedness he has committed and does what is just and right, he shall save his life. ²⁸Because he considered and turned away from all the transgressions that he had committed, he shall surely live; he shall not die. ²⁹Yet the house of Israel says, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ O house of Israel, are my ways not just? Is it not your ways that are not just? ³⁰“Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, declares the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions, lest iniquity be your ruin. ³¹Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? ³²For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Lord GOD; so turn, and live.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

P ¹To you, O LORD,
I lift up my soul.

²O my God, in you I trust;
let me not be put to shame;
let not my enemies exult over me.

³Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame;
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

C ⁴**Make me to know your ways, O LORD;
teach me your paths.**

⁵**Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all the day long.**

P ⁶Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.

⁷Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions;

according to your steadfast love remember me,
for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!

C ⁸**Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.**

⁹**He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.**

¹⁰**All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness,
for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.**

Epistle Philippians 2:1–4, 14–18

¹If there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, ²complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. . . .

¹⁴Do all things without grumbling or questioning, ¹⁵that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, ¹⁶holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. ¹⁷Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. ¹⁸Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

L This is the Word of the Lord. C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse *LSB 156*

C **Alleluia.
Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia, alleluia.**

Holy Gospel Matthew 21:23–27

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²³When [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came up to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” ²⁴Jesus answered them, “I also will ask you one question, and if you tell me the answer, then I also will tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵The baptism of John, from where did it come? From heaven or from man?” And they discussed it among themselves, saying, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’ ²⁶But if we say, ‘From man,’ we are afraid of the crowd, for they all hold that John was a prophet.” ²⁷So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Hymn of the Day “O God, My Faithful God” *LSB 696*

1 O God, my faithful God,

True fountain ever flowing,
Without whom nothing is,
All perfect gifts bestowing:
Give me a healthy frame,
And may I have within
A conscience free from blame,
A soul unstained by sin.

2 Grant me the strength to do
With ready heart and willing
Whatever You command,
My calling here fulfilling;
That I do what I should
While trusting You to bless
The outcome for my good,
For You must give success.

3 Keep me from saying words
That later need recalling;
Guard me lest idle speech
May from my lips be falling;
But when within my place
I must and ought to speak,
Then to my words give grace
Lest I offend the weak.

4 Lord, let me win my foes
With kindly words and actions,
And let me find good friends
For counsel and correction.
Help me, as You have taught,
To love both great and small
And by Your Spirit's might
To live in peace with all.

5 Let me depart this life
Confiding in my Savior;
By grace receive my soul
That it may live forever;
And let my body have
A quiet resting place
Within a Christian grave;
And let it sleep in peace.

6 And on that final day

When all the dead are waking,
Stretch out Your mighty hand,
My deathly slumber breaking.
Then let me hear Your voice,
Redeem this earthly frame,
And bid me to rejoice
With those who love Your name.

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Sermon "There is Encouragement" - Philippians 2:1-4, 14-18

Introduction:

When a congregation is under distress, much like the church at Philippi, they can easily fall into back biting. For the Christians in Philippi their world has been shaken. Paul was imprisoned. There was uncertainty about leadership and what to do next. Paul encourages them act and live in such a way that he could rejoice with and for them. This would be of great help to him and to the Church.

It is true to this day. When a congregation seeks to be in full accord with each other and holds fast to the word of life, they are able to encourage each other during the most difficult times.

I. Being in full accord with each other in Christ

Being in full accord with each other requires love, compassion, affection, sympathy and participation in the Holy Spirit. This means that the fruit of the Spirit is active in our lives. This is because the fruit of the Spirit comes from the faith and trust we have in Christ Jesus. This selflessness that Paul writes about cannot be produced without the Holy Spirit first creating faith within our hearts.

Oh, it can be imitated. The world attempts it. The world cries out that we need to get along with each other, love each other and respect each other. And this is most certainly true. But in its attempt to create an accord with each other, they often fail to avoid the sin of the flesh.

Our flesh is often times in conflict or in competition with others sinful flesh. We still look out for old number one. We are proud and conceited. It is hard and difficult to do. And without Christ, it is impossible to accomplish.

We have Christ. We have someone to go to help us battle and struggle against our selfishness and our pride. We can call on Christ to wash away our sins and plead with the Father in heaven to forgive us our sins. We have the help of Christ to recognize our sins, to hate them and desire to amend our sinful life.

We have Christ who by the power of the Holy Spirit works in our hearts the willingness to consider others more significant and their interests as important as our own. This doesn't mean

we berate ourselves and think of ourselves as being insignificant. No, Christ makes us as important as anyone else. But accord between people is accomplished when each treat each other as being “more” significant and their interests as important as our own. This is done between spouses, parents and children, siblings, teachers and students, employer and employee, government and citizens, and church members.

II. Holding fast to the Word of life

This is why it is so important that the Church holds fast to the Word of Life. Without this word in our lives, we would be left to our own strengths and our own reasoning. Oh, we may think that we could be a good person, a loving person and a caring person.

Yet, we live in a twisted and crooked generation. We may not be able to stand up against the influence of our culture. We may think we are not bigots only to find out that we can hate groups of people at one time. We may think we may be able to tow the moral line only to encourage others to live lives contrary to the will of God. We may think we can stand up against the world only to find out that we are more often joining in their thinking.

Without the Word of Life in our lives we would be defenseless and helplessly lost. We need help to hold fast to the Word of Life. We still need Christ in our lives. We need someone who is stronger than our selves. We need someone whom we can call upon in times of trouble. We need someone whom we can cling to for the forgiveness of sins and for the strengthening of faith to live a God-pleasing life.

Thus, when we call upon Him for the forgiveness of sin, He unites us in His body. He makes us one with Him and with each other. In this, we find encouragement during times of struggles and difficulties in our lives.

Conclusion:

A congregation torn apart by pride, selfishness, self-centeredness, conceit and each insisting on having their own way will not be able to comfort or encourage those in need. A congregation that turns away from the truths of God’s Word and especially the Gospel of Jesus which gives life will die and drag with them those who are in despair.

At crucial times, even in peaceful times, the Church prays for unity and the common good of Her members. We know the ways of the world. We know our own proud and sinful flesh. We know that we are helpless against them. So, we look to the One who is the Head of the Church, the One Who builds us into the body of believers. The One Who mends and heals the Church when torn apart by sin. We look to Christ to keep the fellowship of believers strong so that we will be an encouragement to all at all times.

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Nicene Creed

**C 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 T of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

**P As You have promised, Lord, hear Your people when they call, and answer us
according to Your mercy.**

Almighty Father, You take no pleasure in the death of anyone. As John the Baptist
once called a people to repentance and faith, so raise up voices within Your Church
today to call a world to turn from their sins and live through faith in Christ. Lord, in
Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- P Almighty Father, You have given to us the saving name of Jesus. Continue to bless us with faithful pastors who will preach Jesus Christ and His salvation, and bestow upon us faithful church workers who will serve us in Your name. Bless those now preparing for vocations as pastors, deaconesses, teachers, and all other offices as Your Church has established. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P Almighty Father, You are gracious and merciful without end. Deliver us from a spirit of complaint, and keep us from grumbling at Your call to serve You with all that we are and all that we have. Grant us grace to fulfill our baptismal calling where You have placed us and according to the vocations given to us. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P Almighty Father, Your power continues to uphold all things. Give Your blessing to our president, Congress, governor, and state legislature. Guide all who make, administer, and judge our laws that they be in accord with Your commands and give protection to the unborn, the aged, and the oppressed. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P Almighty Father, You know our enemies and those whose purpose is set against Yours. Give Your blessing to all who defend our nation here and abroad and to all emergency personnel and disaster workers who come to our aid in time of need. Guide the nations in the paths of peace and deliver us from terror and violence. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P Almighty Father, You have given us healing, comfort, and peace in Christ, especially in times of illness, affliction, depression, and sorrow. Hear us on behalf of [*names, and*] all who suffer any need. Grant them grace sufficient to sustain them in their hour of trouble and at last deliver them into the perfect rest of Your eternal presence. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P Almighty Father, Your Son has set His Table among us and given us the privilege of receiving His own body and blood in this Sacrament. Guard us against anything that would keep us from receiving the full benefit of this communion. Bring us at last to that day when division, false teaching, and impenitence will all be overcome and we shall be one before You. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P Almighty Father, You give good gifts to Your people. Keep us from ingratitude and guide us to use the resources entrusted to us for the good of the Kingdom. Accept the tithes and offerings we bring to You this day with the worship of our praise and thanksgiving. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty Father, You have delivered the saints of old into the perfect rest of Your presence. Keep us in faith that we, too, may be faithful unto death and receive from Your hand the crown of everlasting life. Help us to remember their example and to be encouraged in the struggles of this mortal life by the way You sustained them to the end. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

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

C **Amen.**

Offertory *LSB 159*

C **What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

Lord's Prayer

C **Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

Hymns

“Renew Me, O Eternal Light” *LSB 704*

1 Renew me, O eternal Light,
And let my heart and soul be bright,
Illumined with the light of grace
That issues from Your holy face.

2 Remove the pow'r of sin from me
And cleanse all my impurity
That I may have the strength and will

Temptations of the flesh to still.

3 Create in me a new heart, Lord,
That gladly I obey Your Word.
Let what You will be my desire,
And with new life my soul inspire.

4 Grant that I only You may love
And seek those things which are above
Till I behold You face to face,
O Light eternal, through Your grace.

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“What Wondrous Love Is This ”LSB 543

1 What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this
That caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

2 When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down
Beneath God’s righteous frown,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.

3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb,
Who is the great I AM,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
While millions join the theme, I will sing.

4 And when from death I’m free, I’ll sing on, I’ll sing on;
And when from death I’m free, I’ll sing on.
And when from death I’m free,
I’ll sing His love for me,
And through eternity I’ll sing on, I’ll sing on,
And through eternity I’ll sing on.

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Thank the Lord LSB 164

C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev’ryone what He has done.

**Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Benediction *LSB 166*

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 T give you peace.
C **Amen.**

Closing Hymn “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word” *LSB 655*

1 Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word;
Curb those who by deceit or sword
Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son
And bring to naught all He has done.

2 Lord Jesus Christ, Your pow’r make known,
For You are Lord of lords alone;
Defend Your holy Church that we
May sing Your praise eternally.

3 O Comforter of priceless worth,
Send peace and unity on earth;
Support us in our final strife
And lead us out of death to life.

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