

Hannah Hlavacek (9t's a boy!) æ

Attention Sadies! Kelli McGrath (9t's a girl!) Sunday, August 17, 2014 Noon

Light Lunch & Cake will be served!

Please fill out the slip and put in offering plate or in the church office by August 10!

-----Tear off ------

Name How many \_\_\_\_\_

**Bethlehem Lutheran Church Picnic** Sunday, August 24 at 12:30 p.m. **Everyone welcome!** Please bring a friend! A dish or two to share! A favorite outdoor game! Lawn chair(s)! Hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, beverages will provided! -----Tear off ------

Welcome to Bethlehem Lutheran Church

By God's grace we believe the Bible is God's Word and trust in Jesus as our Savior!

# "Repentance"



Sunday, August 3 at 9:00 + Monday, August 4 at 7 PM 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost / 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity – 2014

What is the Season of Pentecost/Trinity? It is the non-festival time of the Church Year; the Sundays are counted as those after Pentecost/Trinity. The phrase is "living for Christ" and the primary color is green for new life. With both names, we remember the work of the Triune God to save us, fill us, empower us, and guide us to live unto His glory!

Special thanks to Dr. Phillip Giessler for filling in for Pastor Green!

How many?

CTS OF GATHERING: Let's get ready to receive Go	od's eternal blessings through Word and Sacrament!	ANNOUNCEMENTS	Stay informed by reading our	Weekly News and Bimonth	ly Newsletter!	
rayers → Complete a request card— <i>Narthex</i> ; see a	Children → These things may be helpful:	Need Spiritual Help? –	Contact Pastor Green: See belo	w for his Contact Informat	ion.	
rayer Partner—AFTER the 9:00 service.	© <u>Children's Bibles</u> – In some center pew racks.	Sermons (1) Printed Copy—Narthex; (2) Website—www.BethlehemLutheranChurchParma.com;				
' <mark>isitors</mark> → May God bless you through His Word!	© <u>Activity Bags</u> – by our Worship Area entrance.		to "Benefit from the Bible"; (4) (			
Jesus – Can we help you receive Him (John 1:12)?	Little Lamb Room Nursery – Parents can use it for					
Lord's Supper – See our explanation in this folder!	any service; it is staffed for our 9:00 Service.	Divine Service Schedul				
<ul> <li><u>Visitor Packet, Resources</u> – Help yourself; visit us</li> </ul>	Large Print / Hearing Assistance → In the Narthex.	Sundays: SeptMay	/: DS 8; Refreshments 9:10; Bibl	e Classes, Sunday School,	Staffed Nursery 9:30; DS 10:	
at www.BethlehemLutheranChurchParma.com	<b>Membership</b> $\rightarrow$ Keep attending, talk to the pastor.	Sundays: June-Augu	ust: DS 9; Refreshments 10:10; I	Bible Classes, Sunday Scho	ol, Staffed Nursery 10:30	
	wembership - keep attending, tark to the pastor.	Most Mondays: DS	at 7 PM (A less formal repeat of	four Sunday services]) If y	ou cannot attend on a Sund:	
Today's Service: Divine Service, Setting Three –	Adapted from the <u>Lutheran Service Book</u> , 184-202.		hering to receive Gods' eternal b			
	r • C = Congregation • A = All		-			
-	) • LSB = Lutheran Service Book (MAROON)		e – Everyone is Invited to Grow			
			nfants → 2 Years (Baby Room—a			
ELL, TODAY, and THIS WEEK:		<ul> <li>Sunday School Class</li> </ul>	<mark>ses</mark> – <u>3 Years → 8<sup>th</sup> Grade</u> (3 Yrs.	– 3 <sup>rd</sup> , Lower Level Kitchen;	4 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> <i>Middle Office</i> ).	
• <u>Bell</u> – Candles are lit; please be seated!	Divine Service: Monday at 7 PM	• Bible Classes – 9 <sup>th</sup> G	Grade → Young Adults (Upper Ro	oom); Adults (Christian Life	Room).	
• <b>Today</b> : What is repentance really all about?	• Fitness Group: Tuesday at 6:30 PM			,, <u> </u>	,	
Listen closely: The repentant will be with God,	Lectionary Class: <u>Thursday</u> at 10 AM	Thanks for S	erving on August 3	Thanks for Serving on August 10		
while the unrepentant will be sent away.	• Dr. Giessler's Bible Class: Thursday at 7 PM	Richly Blessing Us	The Triune God	Richly Blessing Us	The Triune God	
This Week (see the BWN for details):	<u></u>	Divine Service Leader	Dr. Phillip Giessler	Divine Service Leader	Dr. Phillip Giessler	
		Organist	James Alfieri	Organist	James Alfieri	
<mark>↑<i>arise</i>) <b>PROCESSIONAL HYMN:</b> "O Thou that H</mark>	lear'st when Sinner Cry" <u>TLH 325, vv. 1, 5, 6</u>	Altar Guild	Eileen Kovach	Altar Guild	Eileen Kovach	
<b>Please:</b> $\rightarrow$ <u>Face</u> the entrance! $\rightarrow$ <u>Sing</u>	the hymn! → <u>Focus</u> on Jesus our Savior!		Bonnie Moyer		Bonnie Moyer	
O Thou that hear'st when sinners cry	Look down, O Lord, with pitying eye	9:00 Dist. Asst.	Tim Chilton/Paul Martens	9:00 Dist. Asst.	Tim Chilton/Paul Marter	
Though all my crimes before Thee lie,	And save the soul condemned to die.	Candle Filler	Lynda Tomasch	Candle Filler	Lynda Tomasch	
Behold them not with angry look,	6. Oh, may Thy love inspire my tongue	9:00 Ushers	Jim Cannonie, Ed Wasseen,	9:00 Ushers	Jim Cannonie, Ed Wassee	
But blot their memory from Thy book.	Salvation shall be all my song;		John Gutwein		John Gutwein	
. A broken heart, my God, my King,	And all my powers shall join to bless	9:00 Nursery (DS)	Tika Krueger	9:00 Nursery (DS)	Angie Rohman	
Is all the sacrifice I bring.	The Lord, my Strength and Righteousness.	10:10 Refreshments	Miriam Engelman	10:10 Refreshments	Miriam Engelman	
is an the such the Formg.	Amen.	10:30 Nursery (Ed.)	Doris Chmielewski Tracy Liddy	10:30 Nursery (Educ.)	Doris Chmielewski Tika Krueger	
		Pew Organization	Hilda Kaderle	Pew Organization	Hilda Kaderle	
NVOCATION (Matthew 28:19): We ask / invoke Goa	to bless us, even as He did when we were baptized!	Receivables	Natalia Ford, Nancy Huttner	Receivables	Natalia Ford, Jerry Huttner	
	ed into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ."					
: In the Name of the Father and of the <b>†</b> Son and		Contact Ir	nformation 🗲 Synod, District	, Bethlehem, Pastor, Sec	cretary, Childcare	
: Amen.	<i>,</i> ,		n Church—Missouri Synod → www			
			Bethlehem Website → www.Bet			
	Psalm 124:8; 32:5; John 20:19-23): Confessing our sins,			State Road, Parma, Ohio 441		
et us rejoice in God's gift of forgiveness through Jesus!		<u>Pastor</u> – Robert Gree	n → Church: 440-845-2230 • Cell: 4	40-292-5915 • Home: 440-84	2-0694 • Pastor@blc7500.com	
: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a	Our help is in the Name of the Lord.	<u>Church Office</u> →	Monday – Thursday, 9:00 to 3:00 •	440-845-2230 • Kathy Green	n: Secretary@blc7500.com	
true heart and confess our sins unto God, our	C: Who made heaven and earth.	Childcare Center	Monday – Friday, 6:45-6:00, 440-8	384-0430 • Tricia Wise: Child	lcareDirector@blc7500.com	
Father, begging Him in the Name of our Lord	L: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto					
rather, begging min in the Name of our Lord	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,					

## (Arise) PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (LSB 201):

L: We give thanks to you, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through this salutary (beneficial) gift, and we implore you that of your mercy you would strengthen us through the same  $\rightarrow$  in faith toward you and  $\rightarrow$  in

#### CLOSING HYMN: "Lord Jesus, Think on Me"

1. Lord Jesus, think on me 5. Lord Jesus, think on me When floods the tempest high; And purge away my sin; When on doth rush the enemy, From earth-born passions set me free And make me pure within. O Savior, be Thou nigh! 4. Lord Jesus, think on me 7. Lord Jesus, think on me Nor let me go astray; That I may sing above Through darkness and perplexity To Father, Spirit, and to Thee Point Thou the heavenly way. The strains of praise and love. Amen.

# 🙂 Acts of Sending 🙂

#### Forgiven in Christ and filled with the Spirit, we go forth with joy to serve the Lord!

BLESSING ("Benediction" in Latin) (Numbers 6:24-26) (LSB 202): The Lord blesses us by keeping us; shines His face upon us by loving us; and turns His face toward us so that we can live in continual peace!

L:	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	С

[face, loving expression] upon you and give	e you
peace.	
Amen.	( <mark>↓</mark> sit)
	peace.

fervent love toward one another; through

Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives

God. now and forever.

C: Amen.

and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one

TLH, 54, vv. 1, 4, 5, 7

## **POSTLUDE** and CANDLE <sup>A</sup> EXTINGUISHING

- → POSTLUDE: During the Postlude Please remain seated to THINK and PRAY!
- PRAYER: After Each Service Gather with a Prayer Partner near a front pew! →
- MEET and GREET: After Each Service Thanks for making us a friendly congregation! →
- REFRESHMENTS: 10:10-10:30 Join us down the hall for coffee, juice, bakery, and more! €
- BIBLE CLASSES and SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:30-11:30 Be blessed through God's Word! →

**+** BLC Radio Program – On WHKW 1220, Fridays, 3:00 – 3:30 PM. The time slot is 25-minutes and is scheduled to begin on August 22. Pray that God will lead many to hear, understand, benefit, and attend.

Funding: This is a non-budget item for 2014, so your support is needed! The cost each week is \$150; would you, your family, or your group be willing to sponsor a week? So far, thanks to a generous donor, we have enough funding for 10 weeks. If you are willing to sponsor a week, or contribute any amount to this ministry – over and above your regular giving, indicate "RADIO" and the amount on your envelope! Thanks!

## C: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

- Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we L: poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and urgently praying for Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- A: O most merciful God, who has given Your only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us forgiveness of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You

## and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

L: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

mercy upon us.

(**↓**sit)

Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits,

and serve You in willing obedience; through

Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one

C: Amen.

# 🚇 Service of the Word 🚇

Christ is present to teach us the Word for our nourishment, instruction, and auidance!

LORD, HAVE MER	(Lord – "Kyrie" in Greek) (Mark 10:47) (LSB 186): <i>By granting these petitions!</i>

L:	O Lord,	C: have mercy upon us.	L:	O Lord,	C: have
L:	O Christ,	C: have mercy upon us.			

## **GREETING and PRAYER:**

- L: The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22) C: And also with you.
- L: Let us pray. Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge

# **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:**

## All Children – Please come forward!

9:00 Parents can take their younger children to our Little Lamb Room Staffed Nursery at this time!

### OT INSTRUCTION: Joel 2:12-13 AAT

<sup>12</sup> "Right now," says the LORD, "return to Me with all your hearts, with fasting, weeping, and mourning."

<sup>13</sup> Tear your hearts and not your clothes, and turn to the LORD your God because He is kind,

merciful, slow to get angry, full of love, and feels sorry about disaster.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!



#### NT LETTER (Epistle): 2 Corinthians 7:10 NET

<sup>10</sup> In fact, godly sorrow produces repentance which leads to salvation, free from regret; but worldly sorrow produces death.

L: The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!

( <u>Aarise</u> ) HYMN VERSE: "Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens" <u>TLH 296, v. 1</u>			
1 Speak, O Lord, Your servant listens,	Death's dread pow'r, its inward strife,		
Let Your Word to me come near;	Wars against Your Word of life;		
Newborn life and spirit give me,	Fill me, Lord, with love's strong fervor		
Let each promise still my fear.	That I cling to You forever! Amen.		

#### GOOD NEWS (Gospel) (LSB 190-191): Luke 18:9-14 NET

L:	The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the
	eighteenth chapter.

C: (sung) Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

<sup>9</sup> Jesus told this parable to some who were sure they were righteous and so looked down on everybody else:

<sup>10</sup> "Two men went up to the Temple to pray. One was a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.

<sup>11</sup> The Pharisee stood and prayed in reference to himself: 'God, I thank You that I am not like other people: robbers, wrongdoers, adulterers, or even like that tax collector.

<sup>12</sup> I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all mv income.'

<sup>13</sup> "But the tax collector, standing at a distance, would not even look up to heaven but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!'

<sup>14</sup> "I tell you, this man, and not the other, went home justified [declared free] from his sin. For everyone who honors himself will be humbled: but he who humbles himself will be honored."

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: (sung) Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

## NICENE CREED (confessed by all): A summary of what we believe about the Triune God!

### 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: >>>

**F.Y.I.** – The Nicene Creed is the profession of faith or creed that is most widely used in Christian liturgy. It forms the mainstream definition of Christianity for most Christians. It is called Nicene because, in its original form, it was adopted in the city of Nicaea (present day Iznik in Turkey) by the first ecumenical council, which met there in the year 325 (Wikipedia).

LAMB OF GOD ("Agnus Dei" in Latin) (John 1:29) (LSB 198) (sung by all): The many Old Testament sacrifices pointed ahead to the ultimate sacrifice of the Lamb of God, whose body and blood we now receive!

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace. Amen. (**↓**sit)

Has broken every barrier down.

Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,

O Lamb of God, I come, I come. Amen.

9:00 Parents should pick-up their children from our Nursery; then bring them forward for a spoken blessing!

## LORD'S SUPPER DISTRIBUTION and DISMISSAL INFORMATION

LORD'S SUPPER <u>DISTRIBUTION</u> and <u>DISIVIISSAL</u> INFORMATION:				
<ul> <li><u>Before receiving</u> → you may make the sign of the cross as a reminder of your baptism and the source of Jesus' body and blood.</li> <li><u>Receive the Supper</u> (or a spoken blessing from Pastor) → the bread is unleavened – remembering that Jesus is without sin; the wine is available from the chalice or</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>individual cup, the center cups are alcohol removed wine. Along with the bread and wine, we receive Jesus' body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins!</li> <li><u>After the dismissal</u> → say "Amen" to accept the blessings offered in the dismissal.</li> <li><u>Return with joy</u> → your sins are forgiven!</li> </ul>			
HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION:				
"Drawn to the Cross, which Thou hast Blest"	<u>TLH, 390</u>			
"Just as I Am, without One Plea"	<u>TLH 388</u> (second tune)			
<ol> <li>Drawn to the Cross, which Thou hast blest With healing gifts for souls distrest, To find in Thee my life, my rest, Christ Crucified, I come.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Just as I am and waiting not To rid my soul of one dark blot, To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.</li> </ol>			
<ol> <li>Thou knowest all my griefs and fears, Thy grace abused, my misspent years; Yet now to Thee with contrite tears, Christ Crucified, I come.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Just as I am, though tossed about With many a conflict, many a doubt, Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.</li> </ol>			
<ol> <li>Wash me and take away each stain;</li> <li>Let nothing of my sin remain.</li> <li>For cleansing, though it be through pain,</li> <li>Christ Crucified, I come.</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>4. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;</li> <li>Sight, riches, healing of the mind,</li> <li>Yea, all I need, in Thee to find,</li> <li>O Lamb of God, I come, I come.</li> </ul>			
<ol> <li>And then for work to do for Thee, Which shall so sweet a service be That angels well might envy me, Christ Crucified, I come. Amen.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,</li> <li>Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;</li> <li>Because Thy promise I believe,</li> <li>O Lamb of God, I come, I come.</li> </ol>			
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6. Just as I am; Thy love unknown 1. Just as I am, without one plea But that Thy blood was shed for me And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee. O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

## + Service of the Sacrament +

#### Christ is present to feed us His body and blood to forgive, strengthen, and preserve us!

## (<u>**h**arise</u>) **MUTUAL ENCOURAGEMENT and PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** (Preface & Proper Preface) (2 Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 136) (LSB 194) (*spoken and sung as noted*):

#### L: The Lord be with you.

- **C:** (*sung*) **And with thy spirit.**
- L: Lift up your hearts.
- C: (sung) We lift them up unto the Lord.
- L: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- C: (sung) It is meet [good] and right so to do.
- L: It is truly good, right, and beneficial 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, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

**GOD IS HOLY** ("Sanctus" in Latin) ("Hosanna" – save us now) (Is. 6:1-3; Mt. 21:9) (LSB 195) (sung by all): As Jesus was welcomed on Palm Sunday as the Holy Son of God, so we welcome His presence in the Supper!

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth [angelic armies]; Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory; Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, Blessed is He, Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

## LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4) (LSB 196): God has made us His children through Jesus!

L: 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:

C: (<u>sung</u>) For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**JESUS' WORDS OF INSTITUTION** (the sum of these references – Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25): By God's gift of faith we believe the solemn words of our Lord Jesus Christ!

L:	Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He	In the same way also He took the cup after
	was betrayed, took bread, and when He had	supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it
	given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the	to them, saying:
	disciples and said:	"Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new
	"Take, eat; this is My body,	testament in My blood, which is shed for you for
	which is given for you.	the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you
	This do in remembrance of Me."	drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PEACE OF THE LORD ("Pax Domini" in Latin) (John 20:19) (LSB 197): Forgiven in Christ; at peace with God!

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always!

**C:** (sung) **A** - - - - men.

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.

Us men means all people.

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.



TLH, 327, vv. 1-4

Christian: The ancient text reads "catholic," meaning the whole Church as it confesses the wholeness of Christian doctrine.

## SERMON HYMN: "Out of the Deep I Call"

1.	Out of the deep I call	3.	Out of the deep of fear
	To Thee, O Lord, to Thee.		And dread of coming shame;
	Before Thy throne of grace I fall;		All night till morning watch is near
	Be merciful to me.		I plead the precious Name.
2.	Out of the deep I cry,	4.	Lord, there is mercy now,
	The woeful deep of sin,		As ever was, with Thee.
	Of evil done in days gone by,		Before Thy throne of grace I bow;
	Of evil now within.		Be merciful to me. Amen.

#### SERMON: "What's 'Repentance' Really All About?"

Psalm 51:1-4

How to get the most out of a BLC sermon: (1) Read the text in advance; (2) write down questions as you read; (3) bring your Bible and notes when you attend; (4) take notes as you listen; (5) wherever you fall into sin, be sorry; (6) rejoice in God's forgiveness through Jesus; and (7) apply and share God's Word in your daily life

## Psalm 51:1-4 (Selected)

"O God,...be merciful to me...; wash me thoroughly from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin. I realize the wrong I've done, and my sin is always before me. Against You, You only, have I sinned and done this wrong in Your sight!" Illustration:

#### Repentance—

- 1. Godly sorrow (contrition)
- 2. Faith (in Christ for forgiveness)

Notes \_\_\_\_\_



#### HYMN: "Jesus Sinners Doth Receive"

- Jesus sinners doth receive; Oh, may all this saying ponder Who in sin's delusions live And from God and heaven wander! Here is hope for all who grieve--Jesus sinners doth receive.
- 5. I, a sinner, come to Thee With a penitent confession; Savior, mercy show to me

Grant for all my sins remission. Let these words my soul relieve:

Jesus sinners doth receive.
8. Jesus sinners doth receive.
Also I have been forgiven;
And when I this earth must leave,
I shall find an open heaven.
Dying, still to Him I cleave-Jesus sinners doth receive. Amen.

#### (<u>Aarise</u>) **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:** PLEASE PRAY during the week for those listed in the **Weekly News**!

After Each Petition: L: Lord, in your mercy

C: Hear our Prayer.

Prayer is speaking to God in words and thoughts! Conclusion:L:Into Your hands, O Lord, wecommend all for whom we pray, trusting in Yourmercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.C:Amen.

#### HONORING THE LORD WITH OUR FIRSTFRUITS:

<sup>IV</sup> Malachi 3:10 "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse... Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it."

Everyone – please sign a Record of Fellowship pad (located near the center aisle of each pew).

Offertory

#### **LORD'S SUPPER** → Read / Review this important information:

**Dear Friend:** I praise God that He has led you to attend with us today! I also rejoice in •your sorrow for your sins, •your trust alone in Jesus as your Savior, and •your interest in receiving the Lord's Supper with us. I want •everyone to receive who will rightly be assured of God's forgiveness in Christ, but •everyone to wait who could be harmed by receiving – because the Bible says: "...anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died." (1 Cor. 11:29-30 ESV) Pastor Green

#### Self-Examination Questions:

- **1.** Am I sorry for my sins (2 Cor. 7:10-11)? Thus I plan, with the help of the Spirit, to turn from my sins!
- 2. Do I believe in Jesus as my Savior (John 3:16)?

- 3. Do I believe Jesus' words of institution: breadbody, wine-blood, for my forgiveness (1 Cor. 10:16; Matthew. 26:26-28; Mark. 14:22-24; Luke. 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25)?
  Who Should Receive the Supper?
- <u>LCMS Members</u> who answered "yes" to the selfexamination questions.
- <u>Non-Members</u> who have completed our Lord's Supper Preparation packet (*pickup an envelope by our main entrance*) and answered "yes" to the selfexamination questions.

Receive at Your Pew: Please notify an usher.

**Everyone Not Receiving the Supper**: Adults, youth, and children are invited to come forward to receive a *spoken* blessing (to indicate your desire, *please cross your arms*)

#### TLH 324, vv. 1, 5, 8