THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE - "Salvation Now is Come to Earth" by J. S. Bach

page 203 - CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

HYMN 869 - we sing, standing

page 204 - KYRIE

page 204 - HYMN OF PRAISE

GREETING, followed by PRAYER
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(please be seated)

FIRST LESSON (bulletin back page)
This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

PSALM 26

Pastor reads odd numbered verses Congregation reads even numbered verses

SECOND LESSON (bulletin back page)
This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

page 205 - ALLELUIA - we sing, standing

GOSPEL (bulletin back page)
Before, all shout: Glory to you, O Lord!
After, all shout: Praise to you, O Christ!

HYMN 685 - we sing, seated

SERMON

NICENE CREED - all standing

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH Response: **Hear our prayer!**

OFFERTORY - "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" tune Nettleton Soloist, Bruce Emerick

page 208 - SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

page 208 - SANCTUS

LORD'S PRAYER

page 209 - WORDS OF OUR LORD

PEACE OF THE LORD

page 210 - AGNUS DEI

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

During the Distribution we sing HYMNS 427

and 861

All are invited to commune who have been baptized and instructed in the Faith; who repent of their sins; who are committed to Christ and to the mission of his church; and who believe with us that we receive and share our Savior's Body and Blood in, with, and under the bread and the wine of the Sacrament - as signs of his forgiveness and of our Christian family

solidarity.

All who commune, kindly sign your names in our Communicant Register, which is located on the narthex shelf along side our Guest Register.

page 211 - **POST COMMUNION CANTICLE** - all standing

BENEDICTION

HYMN 842 - we sing, standing

POSTLUDE - "Praise and Glory to our Savior" by Corelli

NEWS AND NOTES

Altar Flowers this morning are given by the Greenhalgh family in celebration of Cora Jaqueline Swayner's baptism.

Last Week Here

Worshiping: 43 Offering: \$3,195

Communion - if you are in the church building, an usher will let you know when to go up to the altar to receive communion. If you are at home, watching the service online, you are welcome to drive to the parking lot entrance to the building where you will be able to receive communion between 10:30 and 11:30.

Reminder - the office is open every Thursday morning from 10:00 - 12:00 for those

who want to pick up the following Sunday's bulletin and inserts, and/or drop off offerings. Also, if you plan to attend Sunday's service, this is the time designated to call the office to put your name on the attendance list.

Choir Rehearsals will start on September 9. 7:15PM Bell Choir 8:00PM Parish Choir Please call or email Martha Medford for scheduling - 203-481-6952 frank.vasi@comcast.net

Heavenly Herald newsletters are on the narthex and hallway tables. Please help yourself to a copy to keep current on what's going on here at CLC.

A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

The Glory of God Is the Passion and Cross of Christ Jesus - After St. Peter confessed that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, our Lord "began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised" (Matt. 16:21). Upon hearing this "theology of the cross," Simon Peter stumbled into a satanic "theology of glory." But the glory of God is revealed in the Passion and cross of His incarnate Son. The faithful prophets, such as Jeremiah, suffered persecution and rejection in anticipation of Jesus' cross. Yet the Lord did not abandon them; He remembered them, and He was with them to deliver them (Jer. 15:15–20). By His cross, Jesus has redeemed the world, and in His resurrection, He has vindicated all who trust in Him. Thus, the Christian life is a discipleship of self-sacrificing love. Since Christ Jesus has reconciled us to God, we "live peaceably with all" (Rom. 12:18). By the certainty of His cross and resurrection, we "rejoice in hope," and we are "patient in tribulation" and "constant in prayer" (Rom. 12:12).