

THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE - “*Christ is the King*” tune *Beverly*; setting by Paul Bouman

HYMN 794 - *we sing, standing*

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

OPENING DIALOG

O Lord, how manifold are your works!
In wisdom you have made them all.

These all look to you, **to give them their food in due season.**

When you give it to them, they gather it up;
when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

When you send forth your Spirit, they are created, **and you renew the face of the ground.**

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.

GREETING, followed by PRAYER

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray. **O God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your final judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of living here and dwell with You in perfect joy hereafter; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

(please be seated)

FIRST LESSON *(bulletin back page)*

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

PSALM 119:57-64 - *we read in unison*

SECOND LESSON *(bulletin back page)*

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

page 173 - ALLELUIA VERSE

we sing, standing

GOSPEL *(bulletin back page)*

Before, all shout: Glory to you, O Lord!

After, all shout: Praise to you, O Christ!

HYMN 769 - *we sing, seated*

SERMON

BAPTISMAL HYMN 588 - *we sing, seated*

page 268- SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM-Kaia Christine Soklow

OFFERTORY

we sing HYMN 537

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Response: **Hear our prayer!**

LORD’S PRAYER

COLLECT

BENEDICTION

HYMN 722 - *we sing, standing*

POSTLUDE - “*Our Redeemer and our Lord*” by Schreiner

NEWS AND NOTES

We Welcome Heather Meachen, our pianist this morning.

Baptized this morning is Kaia Christine Soklow, daughter of Kimberly and Adam Soklow; grand-daughter of John and Joanne Casberg.

Please Join Us outside after service for fellowship and refreshments. Thank you to Vicki DePaolo for serving this morning.

Last Sunday Here

Attending: 74 Offering: \$10,264

Livestream Issues - if you are experiencing issues while watching our livestream service, please contact us via email at office@cheshirelutheran.org.

Refreshment Servers Needed! Please sign up on the bulletin board if you would like to serve refreshments following one or two of our summer worship services. Everything you need, including the prepared iced tea / lemonade, will be in the kitchen.

Lunch on the Lawn - join us at 12:00 each Monday this summer for fellowship. Bring a chair and your lunch and meet us by the columbarium (weather permitting).

A Family Movie and Game Night is in the process of being planned. If you are interested in joining the fun, please indicate which date would be your preference on the bulletin board: August 5, 12 and/or 19.

Orphan Grain Train School Kits - we are collecting school supplies needed to complete 50 school kits. The collection will take place through August 27. A poster with tags of items needed is located in the narthex. Your donations can be placed in the bins located under the counter nearest to the library entrance. Cash donations directed for this purpose can be placed in the red box on the counter above the bins. These funds will be used for purchasing items needed to complete the 50 kits or you can request that your donation be directed toward the shipping costs. Thank you, Nancy Engelhardt, Social Welfare Deacon.

A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

Jesus Christ, Our Savior, Is Our True Peace and Sabbath Rest - Though we have died with Christ in Holy Baptism, and we are raised to new life in Him, we find “*another law waging war*” in our body and life, that is, between our old Adam and the new man (Rom. 7:23). By the Spirit of Christ, we “*desire to do what is right,*” but we are not able to do so because “*nothing good*” dwells in our sinful flesh (Rom. 7:18). “*Thanks be to God,*” therefore, “*through Jesus Christ our Lord,*” who delivers us from “*this body of death*” (Rom. 7:24–25). We rejoice in Him, our gentle King, who comes “*righteous and having salvation*” (Zech. 9:9). He speaks peace to our embattled hearts, and by His blood of the New Testament He sets us “*free from the waterless pit,*” and He returns us to the stronghold of our Baptism (Zech. 9:10–12). Though we “*labor and are heavy laden,*” He calls us to Himself and gives rest to our souls through His free and full forgiveness (Matt. 11:28), not because we are “*wise and understanding,*” but by the “*gracious will*” of God the Father, whom “*the Son chooses to reveal*” in love (Matt. 11:25–27).