

THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE - “Our Redeemer and Our Lord”
by Schreiner

(please be seated)

HYMN 868 - we sing as indicated, standing
1 - all 2 - all
3 - all 4 - pulpit side
5 - font side 6 - all

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

PSALM 145:1-14
Women & girls read odd numbered verses
Men & boys read even numbered verses

SECOND LESSON (bulletin back page)
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page 156 - **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 570 vs 1, 2, 5, 6 - we sing, seated

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED - hymnal, back cover

OFFERTORY
“Come Unto Him” from the Messiah by
G. F. Handel; Elana Vasi Smith, soloist

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

LORD'S PRAYER

COLLECT

BENEDICTION

HYMN 832 - we sing, standing

POSTLUDE - “My Soul now Magnifies the Lord”
tune Cruger; setting by Thompson

NEWS AND NOTES

Please Join Us outside after service for fellowship and refreshments. Thank you to Tim and Karen Weiland for serving this morning.

Last Sunday Here
Attending: 72 Offering: \$3,419

This Week Here
Sat - 9:00 AM - Quilts of Valor

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.

Contribution Statement through June 30 are on the hallway counter. Thank you for picking yours up this morning!

The Cheshire Food pantry is asking us to change items for our *Adopt A Shelf*. Our new item will be liquid dishwashing soap (Dawn etc.) Please place the soap in the bin labeled Dish Soap. Personal care items (razor blades, shampoo, etc.) are also needed at this time.

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).