

THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE - “Air” from D Major Suite by J.S. Bach

HYMN 867 - *we sing, standing*

INVOCATION

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

OPENING DIALOG

This is the day which the Lord has made; we **will rejoice and be glad in it.**

From the rising of the sun to its setting, **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

Better is one day in Your courts **than a thousand elsewhere.**

Make me to know Your ways, O Lord. **Teach me Your paths.**

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, from who all good proceeds, grant to us, Your humble servants, Your holy inspiration, that we may set our minds on things that are right and, by Your merciful guiding, accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your son, 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 32:1-7 *We speak together*

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

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 725 - *we sing, seated*

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

10:30 - Installation of Sunday School Teachers

OFFERTORY HYMN 686 - *we sing, seated*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Response: **Hear our prayer!**

LORD'S PRAYER

COLLECT

BENEDICTION

HYMN 864 - *we sing, standing*

POSTLUDE - “Sunday School March”
by Schreiner

NEWS AND NOTES

Altar Flowers this morning are in celebration of Carol’s retirement. Today we recognize Carol’s 27 years of service to Cheshire Lutheran Church; her friendship and the difference she has made in the lives of so many as our office administrator. Now as the day dawns on the next chapter in her life, may the Lord’s blessings be upon her as He inspires her everyday. With great affection and gratitude from your “Church Family”.

Last Sunday Here

Attending: 75 Offering: \$3,052

This Week Here

Today - 11:30 - Carol’s Retirement Celebration!
Wed. - 7:00 PM - Bell Choir
7:45 PM - Parish Choir

Sunday School classes, **Youth Group** and **Adult Bible Study** start next Sunday at 9:10 AM. **Wednesday Bible Study** begins Wednesday, September 20th, at 1:30 PM.

The **Choir Picnic** has been postponed. So, there will be the regularly scheduled Choir rehearsals this Wednesday, September 13th. Bell Choir at 7:00 PM and the Parish choir at 7:45 PM

Helping Hands - If you would like to volunteer as a member of the helping hands committee by making a meal or providing a ride for someone who is in need, please call Sally Schrumm so that we may call upon you when the need arises for your assistance.

Can and Bottle Collection! Money raised will benefit Little Cherubs. Please place the cans and bottles in the box located near the janitor’s closet off the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday Morning Greeters are needed - please sign up on the bulletin board if you are able to greet worshipers as they arrive for services. All you need is a smile as you welcome them. welcome them.

A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

Living as Humble Little Children of the Father - True greatness is not self-sufficient strength, but humility like that of a little child. The greatness of childlike faith receives all good things as gracious gifts from our Father in heaven. Apart from such faith, “you will never enter the kingdom of heaven,” but whoever is humbled like a little child will be “the greatest in the kingdom of heaven” (Matt. 18:3–4). Though in our sin we deserve to be “drowned in the depth of the sea” (Matt. 18:6), we have instead been drowned (“buried”) with Christ in Baptism and then raised to the new, humble life of a child of God. The Lord sends His watchman to warn us with a word from His mouth, in order that we may not die in our iniquity but be turned from our pride and selfishness to live (Ezek. 33:7–9). Thus, we live in humility and faith before God as well as in love for our neighbor, which “is the fulfilling of the law” (Rom. 13:10). In the reverent fear of God, we do no harm to our neighbor, but we “pay to all what is owed to them” (Rom. 13:7) and we “owe no one anything, except to love each other” (Rom. 13:8).