

THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE - “*Be Ever Near Me Lord*”
setting by Schreiner.

page 167 - **CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION**

HYMN 545 - *we sing standing*

page 168 - **KYRIE**

page 171 - **HYMN OF PRAISE**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

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 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 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 23 - *Worshippers age 50 and under speak the odd verses and those 51 and over speak the even verses.*

SECOND LESSON *(bulletin back page)*

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page 173 - **ALLELUIA VERSE** - *all standing*

GOSPEL *(bulletin back page)* - *all standing*
Before, all sing: Glory be to Thee, O Lord!
After, all sing: Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

HYMN 644 - *we sing as indicated, seated*

SERMON

NICENE CREED - *hymnal, last page all standing*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

all may kneel

Response: **Hear our prayer!**

OFFERTORY - *during the gathering we sing HYMN 769*

page 177 - **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

page 178 - **SANCTUS**

LORD'S PRAYER

page 179 - **WORDS OF OUR LORD**

SHARING OF PEACE

page 180 - **AGNUS DEI**

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

During the Distribution, we sing HYMNS 575 and 641.

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 - which gives us His forgiveness and makes us one Christian family.

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

page 181 - **POST COMMUNION CANTICLE** - *all standing*

page 181 - **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT** **HYMN 912** - *we sing, standing*

page 183 - **BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE - “*Trumpet Dance*” by Patricia Harris.

NEWS AND NOTES

Please Join Us outside after service for fellowship and refreshments. Thank you to Terri Daly for serving this morning!

Last Sunday Here

Attending: 77 Offering: \$1,532

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.

Quarterly Statements - if you didn't get the chance to pick up your first quarter contribution statement last week, please do so this morning. Thank you!

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.

Portals of Prayer (daily home devotional booklets for adults) - regular & large-print editions - on narthex table. Help yourself to a copy - and take one for a friend, if you wish.

A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

The Lord Jesus Shepherds His Church on Earth by the Ministry of the Gospel The Lord rebukes and removes “*the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep*” (Jer. 23:1). He gathers the flock, brings them back to the fold, and sets “*shepherds over them who will care for them*” (Jer. 23:3–4). He raises up the Son of David, the great Good Shepherd, to “*reign as king and deal wisely*” (Jer. 23:5). He is “*our righteousness,*” in whom we “*dwelt securely*” (Jer. 23:6). He has compassion on all of us, who were “*like sheep without a shepherd*” (Mark 6:34). Not only does He teach us many things, but taking the bread, He blesses and breaks and gives it to the disciples “*to set before the people*” (Mark 6:41). He abundantly provides for His Church on earth, so that everyone is fed and fully satisfied in body and soul. He preaches peace “*to you who were far off,*” and “*by the blood of Christ,*” He brings you near (Eph. 2:13, 17). Though you were “*separated from Christ*” by your sin, “*having no hope and without God in the world*” (Eph. 2:12), now “*you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God*” (Eph. 2:19).