THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE - "Arioso" by J. S. Bach.

HYMN 331 - 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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray. Gracious Father, Your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Grant that Christ, the bread of life, may live in us and we in Him, 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 34:1-8 - we sing, see insert

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

page 156 - 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 411 - we sing, seated

SERMON

APOSTLES CREED - hymnal, last page all standing

OFFERTORY - "Like as a Father" by Luigi Cherubini; Solo Trio - Michael Frost, Randy Raddatz & Pastor Rowold.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

all may kneel

Response: Hear our prayer!

LORD'S PRAYER

COLLECT

BENEDICTION

HYMN 921 - we sing, standing

POSTLUDE - "Cibell" by Jean Loeillet.

NEWS AND NOTES

Please Join Us outside after service for fellowship and refreshments. Thank you to the Rowold family for serving this morning!

Last Sunday Here

Attending: 86 Offering: \$6,366

Orphan Grain Train School Kits - we are collecting school supplies needed to complete 50 school kits. The collection will take place through August 18. 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.

Hope for Life, d.b.a. Hope Pregnancy Center, located at 110 Main Street, Cheshire - our ongoing ministry of collecting "gently

used" or new baby clothes, blankets, toys, disposable diapers, etc. for babies 0-12 months benefit new mothers who have no means to support a newborn child. No stuffed animals please. Items purchased new or from the Good Will store, etc. can be placed in the <u>basinet</u> located in the hallway.

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.

The **Parish and Bell Choirs** will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, September 4 - Bell Choir will meet at 7:00 PM and Parish Choir will meet at 7:45 PM. Anyone interested in joining please talk to a choir member or Martha Medford. Please join us!



A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

The Lord Jesus Feeds Us with His Flesh, in Order to Strengthen Us with His Own Life God the Father sent His Son into the world, so that the world might have life in Him. Now He "draws" you to His Son, Christ Jesus, by the preaching of His Gospel. "Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father" comes to Jesus, who will never cast him out but "will raise him up on the last day" (John 6:44–45). He is "the bread of life," who "comes down from heaven" in the flesh, that you may eat of Him and "live forever" (John 6:48–51). Although "the journey is too great for you," in the strength of this food you shall come to "the mount of God." Do not be afraid, and do not despair, but "arise and eat" (1 Kings 19:5–8). And "no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds" (Eph. 4:17), but "walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us" (Eph. 5:2). In Him, you have been "created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness" (Eph. 4:24). Therefore, "be imitators of God, as beloved children" (Eph. 5:1), by "forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you" (Eph. 4:32).