THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE - "Dedicate My Life to Thee, O Lord" by Mark Roberts.

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray. O Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants and grant that what they ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; 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 146 - we sing, see insert

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) - all standing Before, all sing: Glory to You, O Lord! After, all sing: Praise to You, O Christ!

HYMN 862 - we sing as indicated, seated

1 - all 2 - all 3 - men 4 - women 5 - all

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED - hymnal, back cover all standing

10:30 - INSTALLATION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

OFFERTORY - "Lamb of God" by Twila Paris; Ruth Del Vecchio, flute soloist. (10:30)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

all may kneel
Response: Hear our prayer!

LORD'S PRAYER

COLLECT

BENEDICTION

HYMN 864 - we sing, standing

POSTLUDE - "Christ Is Our Hope" traditional Welsh melody; setting by Haan.

NEWS AND NOTES

Last Sunday Here

Attending: 71 Offering: \$9,309

This Week Here

Wed - 1:30 PM - Bible Study - 7:00 PM - Bell Choir - 7:45 PM - Parish Choir

Voters Meeting today after the late service!

Cheshire Fall Festival - We are looking for volunteers to help with our booth at the Cheshire Fall Festival next Saturday, September 14th and the rain day is Sunday, September 15th. Sign ups are on the bulletin board or you can see Erica Bencivenga.

The Thimble Islands Saxophone Quartet will present a concert on September 15 at 3:00 p.m. at Cheshire Lutheran Church. The quartet members are Frank Vasi, Tim Moran, Michael Schuster, and Chris Herbert. They will be playing a wide variety of music by Bach, Beethoven, Gershwin, Jelly Roll Morton, Bernstein, and Billy Joel. Admission is free!

Happy Sunday School Rally Day! Everyone is welcome to attend. There will be music, prayer, fun and food. Sunday School classes will resume on September 15.

Sunday School Teachers are needed!

Please see Tricia Rowold to volunteer or for questions. We are looking to have teachers for each classroom.

Apple Picking and Hayride will be held Sunday, September 29th. We will meet at Blue Hills Orchard at 1:00.

Join us on Saturday, October 5th, 6 PM for a **Potluck dinner** followed by a very short lesson in creating some delicious sourdough bread.



A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

Our Merciful Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, Does All Things Well The Lord proclaims the Gospel "to those who have an anxious heart" to comfort and encourage them with His presence. He comes not only with threats of "vengeance" and "recompense," but with His gracious salvation (Is. 35:4). He opens "the eyes of the blind" and "the ears of the deaf," and He loosens "the tongue of the mute" to "sing for joy" (Is. 35:5–6). Like water on thirsty ground, He speaks His life-giving Word to people of all nations. With His Word and the touch of His hand, He does "all things well," so that you may now speak "plainly" (Mark 7:31–37). You confess the truth of God in Christ to the glory of His holy name, and you call upon His name in every trouble, confident that He will hear and answer. As you pray and confess with your tongue, so also "love your neighbor as yourself" (James 2:8). Show your faith "in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory," by loving without partiality. For God has "chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom" (James 2:1–5).