

THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE - 8:00 - "*My Jesus, I Love Thee*"
tune Gordan; setting by Hegarty
10:30 - *Bell Choir plays "A Joyful Celebration"*
by Dan Edwards

HYMN 506 - *we sing, standing*

INVOCATION

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

DIALOG

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;
for His steadfast love endures forever.

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon His
name; **make known God's deeds among the
peoples!**

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole
heart; **I will recount all of Your wonderful
deeds.**

I will bless the Lord at all times; **His praise
shall continually be in my mouth.**

Oh, magnify the Lord with me, **and let us ex-
alt His name together!**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and
to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the begin-
ning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

GREETING, followed by PRAYER

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

Let us pray. **Lord Jesus Christ, so govern
our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit
that, ever mindful of Your glorious return,
we may persevere in both faith and holiness
of living; for You live and reign with the
Father 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 93 - *we speak together*

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

page 173 - **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 578 vs 1, 3, 4, 5 - *we sing, seated*

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED - *hymnal, back cover*
all standing

OFFERTORY - *During the gathering*
*(8:00) the Bell Choir plays "A Joyful Celebra-
tion" by Dan Edwards or (10:30) "My Jesus, I
Love Thee" tune Gordan; setting by Hegarty.*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Response: **Hear our prayer!**

LORD'S PRAYER

COLLECT

BENEDICTION

HYMN 816 - *we sing, standing*

POSTLUDE - "*Gigue*" by G.F. Handel.

NEWS AND NOTES

Last Sunday Here
Attending: 101 Offering: \$4,841

This Week Here
Wed - 6:30 PM - Bell Choir
- 7:00 PM - Parish Choir
- 7:30 PM - Thanksgiving Eve
Service

Join Us following this morning's 8 AM
service for refreshments and fellowship.
Thank you to Karen Bailey for serving this
morning!

Altar Flowers this morning are given by
Christine Seelig and Jeff Casberg as the
family celebrates some **big milestones** this
month, John's 90th Birthday, Joanne's
Birthday and the couples 65th Wedding
Anniversary!

Today is PLEDGE SUNDAY - please
pick up your packet this morning and
kindly please return your pledge to the
church by December 15th. Your pledge
will assist CLC in planning and meeting
our financial obligations. Thank you!

Helping hands: Handouts are on the coun-
ter in the narthex. Please help yourself, see
what volunteer opportunities are available;
complete the form, indicating what you
would like to help with and place the form
in the purple folder with my name on it.

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE Join
us at 7:30 PM and remember to bring a loaf
of bread for the loaf exchange.

The **SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS
PAGEANT** will be on Sunday, **December
8**, during the 10:30 AM service. Until then,
the Sunday School children will be rehears-
ing during the Sunday morning Education
Hour. Please remember to practice your
lines at home, and if you have misplaced
your Script, contact Tricia Rowold for a re-
placement.



A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

In Repentance We Are Alert to the Coming of Christ The signs of the end are all around us, constant reminders that "*heaven and earth will pass away.*" But all of these signs are centered in the cross of Christ, whereby He has conquered sin and death, that we might be raised with Him in righteousness through His Word of the Gospel, which "*will not pass away*" (Mark 13:31). He is "*the firstborn of the dead,*" who in His great love "*has freed us from our sins by his blood*" (Rev. 1:5). His salvation is certain because "*his dominion is an everlasting dominion*" and His Kingdom "*shall not be destroyed*" (Dan. 7:14). For this purpose He came into the world, to reign in love through His voice of the Gospel, which is the truth (John 18:37). So is the righteousness of Christ "*a light to the peoples,*" which "*will never be dismayed*" because it is the justice of His cross and resurrection (Is. 51:4-6). As He "*is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory,*" so wait upon "*the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life*" (Jude 20-24).