

## THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

### PRELUDE

“Adagio” by Mendelssohn.

**HYMN 507** - *we sing, standing*

### INVOCATION

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

### OPENING DIALOG

The Lord is my light and my salvation – whom shall I fear? **The Lord is the stronghold of my life – of whom shall I be afraid?**

Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; **be merciful to me and answer me.**

Teach me Your way, O Lord, **that I may walk in Your truth.**

Wait for the Lord; **be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.**

**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, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; 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 138** - *Pastor speaks the odd verses and the congregation speaks even verses.*

### SECOND LESSON *(bulletin back page)*

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page 156 - **ALLELUIA** - *all standing*

### GOSPEL *(bulletin back page)* - *all standing*

*Before, all say: Glory to You, O Lord!*

*After, all say: Praise to You, O Christ!*

**HYMN 856 vs 1, 2, 4, & 5** - *we sing, seated*

### SERMON

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

**OFFERTORY** - *During the gathering, we sing HYMN 826.*

### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*all may kneel*

Response: **Hear our prayer!**

### LORD'S PRAYER

### COLLECT

### BENEDICTION

**HYMN 850** - *we sing, standing*

**POSTLUDE** - *“O Hear the Joyful Tidings” setting by Schreiner.*

## NEWS AND NOTES

### Last Sunday Here

Attending: 76      Offering: \$4,745

### This Week Here

Wed - 1:30 PM- Bible Study  
- 7:00 PM - Bell Choir  
- 7:45 PM - Parish Choir  
Sat - 2:00 PM - Game Day!

**Please Join Us** after the 8 AM service for fellowship and coffee. Thank you to Karen Smith for serving this morning!

**GAME DAY:** Next Saturday February 15th, please join us at 2:00 for games for all ages including giant Jenga, board games, a televised basketball game and snacks. See Pam Clark for more information and the bulletin board to sign up!

**Little Cherubs Christian Preschool** is now taking registration for the 2025 - 2026 school year. If you, or someone you know, have a child who is preschool eligible, please call the church or preschool office for more information. A registration packet may also be picked up from the counter outside the church office.

**Souper Bowl of Caring** - Please join young people around the country as they demonstrate God's love by loving their neighbors through SOUPER BOWLING OF CARING. It's a simple, yet significant act of caring for others. Drop your soup donations in the totes located under the counter near the library entrance or place a monetary donation in the red box labeled Souper Bowl located on the counter by February 16th. CLC donations will go to Cheshire Community Food Pantry.

**Sunday School:** In Christian education this week, we learn how “Fishers Follow.” Spotting some fishing boats by the shore of Galilee, Jesus turns Simon Peter's boat into a floating pulpit. He preaches from the boat and then commands the disciples to put out to fish. Although they had fished all night without a catch, now they find their nets full to bursting. Recognizing his sinfulness, Peter falls down in front of his Savior and Lord, who calls him to a new kind of fishing. Ask, “How does God help us recognize our sinfulness? How does He rescue us from our sins?”

## A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

**Jesus Comforts His People and Builds Up His Church by the Ministry of His Gospel** When Isaiah “saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up,” he was overcome with an awareness of his sin and “unclean lips” (Is. 6:1, 5). But the Lord atoned for his sin, took away his guilt and sanctified his lips with “a burning coal” from the altar (Is. 6:6–7). Not only was he rescued from death, but he was called and sent as a prophet of the Lord's Word (Is. 6:8–9). Similarly, when Simon Peter and his companions “enclosed a large number of fish” at the Word of Jesus, he humbled himself and said, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man” (Luke 5:4–8). But Jesus comforted Simon, called him to discipleship and declared that he would be “catching men” (Luke 5:10–11). So in the Office of the Ministry, the Church remains the little boat from which Jesus teaches His people (Luke 5:3). Thus are we instructed in the faith, so that we say “Amen” and return thanks with heart, mind, tongue and life. For the preaching of Christ Jesus is a manifestation of the Holy Spirit, by which He builds up His Church on earth (1 Cor. 14:12–19).