#### THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

**PRELUDE -** "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" tune Rathbon; setting by Engel.

page 167 - CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

HYMN 825 - we sing, standing

page 168 - KYRIE - spoken

# **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray. O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; 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 4** - Pastor speaks odd verses and the congregation speaks the even verses.

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

page 173 - VERSE FOR LENT - all standing

**GOSPEL** (bulletin back page) Before, all shout: Glory to you, O Lord! After, all shout: Praise to you, O Christ!

| HYMN 579 - we | sing as indicated, seated |
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| 1 - all       | 2 - all                   |
| 3 - women     | 4 - men                   |
| 5 - all       | 6 - all                   |

# **SERMON**

NICENE CREED - hymnal, last page all standing

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH** all may kneel Response: Hear our prayer!

#### **OFFERTORY**

The Parish Choir sings "God So Loved the World" by Stainer (10:30).

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 HYMN 555 vs 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 9, & 10.

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 182 - POST-COMMUNION **CANTICLE** - all standing

#### page 183 - POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

page 183 - BENEDICTION

### NEWS AND NOTES

Last Sunday Here Offering: \$7,388 Attending: 101

### This Week Here

Wed - 6:00 PM - Soup, Salad, Bible Study - 7:30 PM - Lent 2 Service - 8:15 PM - Parish Choir Practice Thur - 6:00 PM - Bell Choir Practice

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

# Lenten Soup, Salad & Bible Study

This Wednesday, March 19th, will be the our weekly Soup, Salad and Bible Study starting at 6:00 p.m. Look for sign up sheets on the bulletin board and plan to join us prior to our Lenten service at 7:30 p.m.

We are hosting a community-wide Easter Egg hunt on Saturday, April 12th, at 10:30 in the morning. This is open to the public. Please share with your friends and family. We are accepting plastic egg donations and candy donations. Thank you!

# HYMN 727 - we sing, standing

**POSTLUDE -** *"What Wonderous Love is* This" by Johnson.

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.

Spring Clean-Up is scheduled for Saturday, March 29 (indoors and outdoors). Please lend a hand to make our building and grounds beautiful! Refreshments will be served.

Sunday School - "A Prayer Lesson" is the title of this week's Bible lesson. With Jesus' disciples, we, too, implore, "Lord, teach us to pray" (Luke 11:1). Jesus teaches His disciples—and all humankind—the prayer used throughout the Church to this day. Jesus follows His instruction with a parable illustrating how our heavenly Father unfailingly hears all our prayers. As a family, challenge one another to recite the Lord's Prayer from memory.

# A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

In the Holy Sacraments, We Share the Glory of the Cross of Christ - Jesus catechizes His disciples in the way of the cross, revealing that He will be condemned and put to death "and after three days he will rise" (Mark 10:33–34). But the Twelve do not understand. Instead, they argue among themselves about who will be the greatest, with James and John requesting the places of honor on either side of Jesus in His glory. However, Jesus has come to make Himself the "slave of all" and "to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mark 10:43–45). He shares the true glory of His cross with all who are baptized with His Baptism and with those who drink His cup of salvation, the New Testament in His blood (Mark 10:39). By these Holy Sacraments, the Lord makes Himself known to all His people, forgiving their sins "from the least of them to the greatest" (Jer. 31:33–34). Though He is the very Son of God, "he learned obedience through what he suffered" and so became our great High Priest, that we may enter His glory by the way of His sacrifice (Heb. 5:8–10).