

RUTHFRED LUTHERAN CHURCH

Welcome to Ruthfred Lutheran Church!

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We are delighted to have you with us this morning as we gather to worship the Lord Jesus Christ.

If you are visiting today, we are glad you are here! Whether you are visiting from out of town, seeking a new church home, or for any other reason, thank you for choosing to worship with us. We would love to get in touch with you. Please fill out your contact information in the red folder at the end of your pew, or fill out the information on the back cover of this bulletin, and place it in the offering plate as it passes before you.

About Us:

- ◆ Since her charter in 1949, Ruthfred Lutheran Church has been a congregation rooted in the conviction that the Bible is inspired by God, living and active, capable to produce faith in its hearers, and true and faithful in all its parts. As such, our preaching and teaching aim to be faithful to its correct interpretation and is central to our worship of God.
- ◆ Our Divine Service, called the “Common Service,” possesses a rich history that stems from the early days of the Lutheran Reformation. It is centered upon God’s Word, and proclaims the realities of God’s abundant grace in Jesus Christ from its start to its close. If this is a new form of worship for you, this bulletin will serve as a welcome companion. The order of service begins on page 3.
- ◆ The Divine Service begins as our organist begins the Prelude. When the music starts, please quiet your hearts as you prayerfully prepare for worship.



Our cover is a paper cut or *scherenschnitte* created specially for our church by our very own Kathryn Carr. The artwork will reflect liturgical and Ruthfred-specific themes that occur throughout the year.

The Divine Service of the Word

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost, October 7, 2018

Prelude:


"Communion" (Louis Vierne)

"You Satisfy The Hungry Heart" (Charles Callahan)



The Opening Hymn:

"Jesus Call Us" (SBH553)

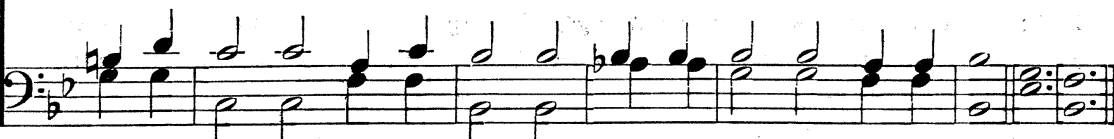
(Please stand as we join our hearts in song)



1. Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult Of our life's wild, rest - less sea,
2. As of old Saint An-drew heard it By the Gal - i - le - an lake,
3. Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship Of the vain world's gold-en store;



Day by day his clear voice sound-eth, Say - ing, 'Chris-tian, fol-low me!'
Turned from home and toil and kin-dred, Leav-ing all for his dear sake.
From each i - dol that would keep us, Say-ing, 'Chris-tian, love me more.' A-men.



4 In our joys and in our sorrows,
Days of toil and hours of ease,
Still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
'Christian, love me more than these.'

5 Jesus calls us! By thy mercies,
Saviour, make us hear thy call,
Give our hearts to thine obedience,
Serve and love thee best of all. Amen.

We confess our sins at the beginning of each service, because we are coming into the presence of a holy God. Though we are sinners who daily struggle with sin, we are invited to come to Him to receive the forgiveness of sin earned for us by Jesus. Through this forgiveness, we are given a right standing before a holy God. Because sin is both corporate and personal, we confess our sins together, and privately in the silence of our hearts.

The Absolution is based upon God's instruction in Luke 24:47 that repentance and the forgiveness of sins should be widely proclaimed in the name of Jesus. (See also 1 John. 1:9).

The Call to Worship

Pastor (P): We open this service in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation (C): Amen

The Order for Public Confession (SBH, p. 247)

Unison: (U): Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ, thy Son our Lord, Amen.

P: Let us humbly kneel, and make confession unto God, imploring his forgiveness, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

U: O God, our heavenly Father, I confess unto thee that I have grievously sinned against thee in many ways; not only by outward transgressions, but also by secret thoughts and desires which I cannot fully understand, but which are all known unto thee. I do earnestly repent, and am heartily sorry for these my offenses, and I beseech thee of thy great goodness to have mercy upon me, and for the sake of thy dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, to forgive my sins, and graciously to help my infirmities. Amen.

The Absolution, Admonition & Blessing:

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, hath had mercy upon us, and for the sake of the sufferings, death, and resurrection of his dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, forgiveth us all our sins. As a Minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare unto you who do truly repent and believe in him, the entire forgiveness of all your sins. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

P: On the other hand, by the same authority, I declare unto the impenitent and unbelieving, that so long as they continue in their impenitence, God hath not forgiven their sins, and will assuredly visit their iniquities upon them, if they turn not from their evil ways, and come to true repentance and faith in Christ, ere the day of grace be ended.

P: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all.

C: Amen

"Introit" means "to enter into," and is a responsive reading meant to lead God's forgiven children into the worship of Him. The words are from Scripture, and relate to the theme of the day in the liturgical calendar.

God's chief means of extending His grace to His children is through His Word. Hearing it and learning it are central to His proper worship.

The Giving of the Peace

The Introit (Read Responsively; Please stand)

P: Say to my soul.

C: I am your salvation. The righteous cry, and the Lord hears, and delivers them out of all their troubles.

P: For this God is our God forever and ever. Give ear, O my people, to my law.

C: Incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

(Psalm 34: 17; 35: 3; 48: 14; 78: 1)

The Gloria Patri (Sung in Unison; SBH p. 17)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen.**

The Epistle Lesson: Acts 14: 8-23, 26, 27 (NASB)

At Lystra a man was sitting who had no strength in his feet, lame from his mother's womb, who had never walked. ⁹This man was listening to Paul as he spoke, who, when he had fixed his gaze on him and had seen that he had faith to be made well, ¹⁰said with a loud voice, "Stand upright on your feet." And he leaped up and *began* to walk. ¹¹When the crowds saw what Paul had done, they raised their voice, saying in the Lycaonian language, "The gods have become like men and have come down to us." ¹²And they *began* calling Barnabas, Zeus, and Paul, Hermes, because he was the chief speaker. ¹³The priest of Zeus, whose *temple* was just outside the city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates, and wanted to offer sacrifice with the crowds. ¹⁴But when the apostles Barnabas and Paul heard of it, they tore their robes and rushed out into the crowd, crying out ¹⁵and saying, "Men, why are you doing these things? We are also men of the same nature as you, and preach the gospel to you that you should turn from these vain things to a living God, WHO MADE THE HEAVEN AND THE EARTH AND THE SEA AND ALL THAT IS IN THEM. ¹⁶In the generations gone by He permitted all the nations to go their own ways; ¹⁷and yet He did not leave Himself without witness, in that He did good and gave you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, satisfying your hearts with food and gladness." ¹⁸*Even* saying these things, with difficulty they restrained the crowds from offering sacrifice to them. ¹⁹But Jews came from Antioch and Iconium, and having won over the crowds, they stoned Paul and dragged him out of the city, supposing him to be dead. ²⁰But while the disciples stood around him, he got up and entered the city. The next day he went away with Barnabas to Derbe.
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The Epistle Lesson: Acts 14: 8-23, 26, 27 (continued)

²¹ After they had preached the gospel to that city and had made many disciples, they returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch, ²² strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the faith, and *saying*, "Through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God." ²³ When they had appointed elders for them in every church, having prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord in whom they had believed.

²⁶ From there they sailed to Antioch, from which they had been commended to the grace of God for the work that they had accomplished. ²⁷ When they had arrived and gathered the church together, they *began* to report all things that God had done with them and how He had opened a door of faith to the Gentiles.

The "Gradual" (Latin for *step*) is a liturgical reading bridging the readings of the epistle and the Gospel. It is comprised of Scripture, mostly the Psalms.

"Alleluia" is Hebrew for "Praise the Lord."

The Gradual:

Let my prayer be set forth before you as incense and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. Alleluia, alleluia. The right hand of the Lord is exalted, the right hand of the Lord works valiantly. Alleluia. (Psalm 141: 2; 118: 16)

The Alleluia (Sung in Unison)

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Holy Gospel Readings: Matthew 28: 18-20 (NASB)

The Congregation shall rise and sing, "**Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**"

And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

The Congregation shall sing, "**Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**"

During the Service of Holy Communion, we confess our faith using the Words of the Nicene Creed. Though officially adopted a few hundred years after Christ's earthly ministry, the Creed emphasizes the truths that had been taught since the time of the Apostles, namely, that Christ is both fully God and fully man. As such, we are assured that in the person of Jesus Christ, God Himself became like us in every way, yet perfect and without sin; and shed His own Blood and gave His own Body in death so that we could find in Him forgiveness of sin and life eternal.

This creed has been used in worship across denominational lines.

Lyrics on page 16

The Confession of Faith: The Nicene Creed (Confessed in Unison)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose Kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one Holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

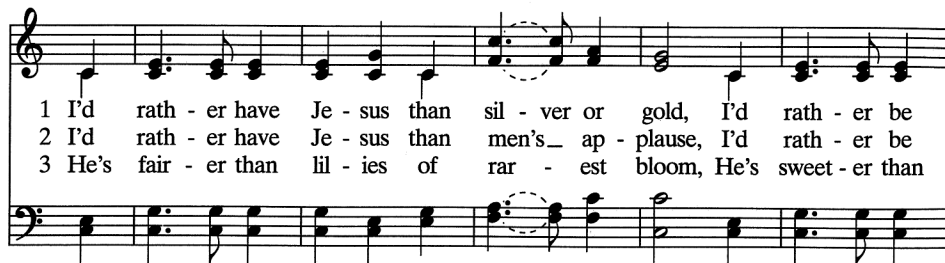
The Announcements (Please be seated)

The Special Music

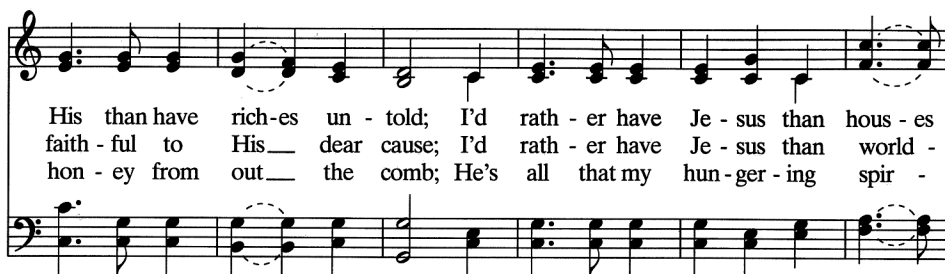
11:00: Senior Choir—O Bread of Life (Isaac/Christiansen)

The Sermon Hymn:

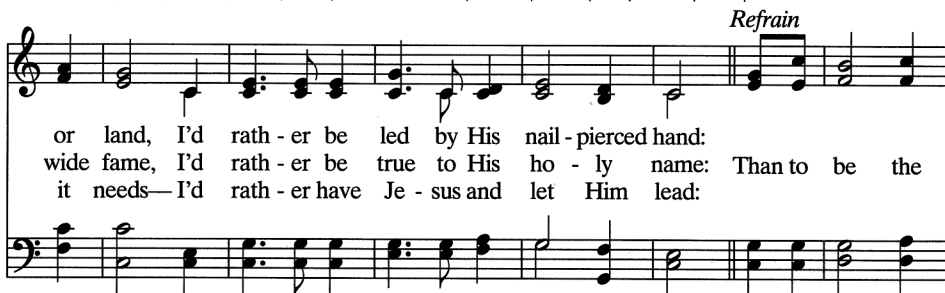
"I'd Rather Have Jesus" (AMB535)



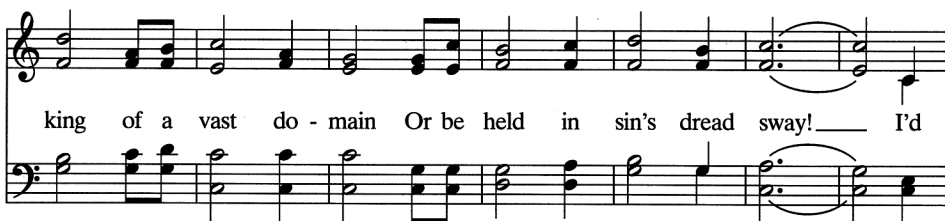
1 I'd rath - er have Je - sus than sil - ver or gold, I'd rath - er be
2 I'd rath - er have Je - sus than men's ap - plause, I'd rath - er be
3 He's fair - er than lil - ies of rar - est bloom, He's sweet - er than



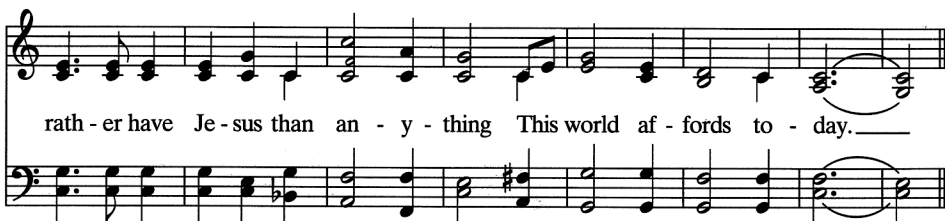
His than have rich - es un - told; I'd rath - er have Je - sus than hous - es
faith - ful to His dear cause; I'd rath - er have Je - sus than world -
hon - ey from out the comb; He's all that my hun - ger - ing spir -



Refrain
or land, I'd rath - er be led by His nail - pierced hand:
wide fame, I'd rath - er be true to His ho - ly name: Than to be the
it needs—I'd rath - er have Je - sus and let Him lead:



king of a vast do - main Or be held in sin's dread sway! I'd



rath - er have Je - sus than an - y - thing This world af - fords to - day.

The Sermon is the central component of our Worship. In it, we hear God's word taught and explained. We hear His Law, convicting of sin and guiding the believer. We also hear the promises of His Gospel, the Good News of Christ's work for us—His redemption, forgiveness and provision of life eternal.

The Sermon:

"Open Doors of Faith: Souls & Stones; Suffering & Salvation"
Acts 14: 8-23, 26, 27

Sermon Notes:

The Offertory Response (Sung in Unison; Please Stand)

Create in me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence: and take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation: and uphold me with thy free Spirit. (Psalm 51:10-12)

The Offering & Offertory

"Humbly I Adore Thee" (Everett Titcomb)

On the first Sunday of each month, as well as on other special occasions, we have the privilege of receiving Holy Communion together. We do not require membership to participate in this. However, we do ask that those coming to receive Communion would be baptized believers in the saving work of Jesus Christ, who are of confirmation age (completed 8th grade), and who are in agreement with the biblical teaching of Christ concerning it.

We believe and teach that Holy Communion is a Sacrament in which we receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in, with and under the bread and the wine, that it was instituted by Christ himself, and that it is given to us Christians to eat and to drink.

We believe and teach that the benefit for Christians receiving Communion is expressed in the words "given" and "shed for you for the forgiveness of sins" (See Matthew 26:26-29). As described by Martin Luther in his *Small Catechism*, these words show us that "forgiveness of sin, life and salvation" are given to us in Communion.

Luther formulated a list of 20 questions with appropriate responses to guide the believer to prepare their hearts for Communion. We include a selection of those questions on the following page for the purpose of aiding you in the same way.

The Service for Communion

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy Spirit.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up unto the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

C: It is meet and right so to do.

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God...Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; ever more praising thee, and saying:

C: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heaven and earth are full of thy glory; Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Words of Institution:

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, in the night in which he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he brake it and gave it to his disciples, saying, take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you; This do in remembrance of me.

After the same manner also, he took the cup, when he had supped, and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; this cup is the New Testament in my Blood, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; this do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.

The Lord's Prayer (Prayed in Unison)

P: Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And, forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;

C: For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Do you believe that you are a sinner?

Yes, I believe that I am a sinner.

Are you sorry for your sins?

Yes, I am sorry that I have sinned against God.

Do you desire to be saved?

Yes, such is my desire.

In Whom do you trust?

In my dear Lord, Jesus Christ.

What has Christ done for you that you trust in him?

He died for me and shed his blood for me on the cross for the forgiveness of sins.

Do you believe that the true body and blood of Christ are in the Sacrament?

Yes, I believe it.

What induces you to believe this?

The Word of Christ, "Take, eat this is My body; This is My blood, drink of it all of you."

Why ought we to remember and proclaim His death?

That we may learn to believe that no creature could make satisfaction for our sins but Christ, true God and man; and that we may learn to look with terror at our sins, and to regard them as great indeed, and to find joy and comfort in Him alone, and thus be saved through such faith.

Finally, why do you wish to go to receive Holy Communion?

That I may learn to believe that Christ died for my sin out of great love, as before said; and that I may also learn from Him to love God and my neighbor.

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And with thy Spirit.

The Agnus Dei:

C: O Christ thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us;

O Christ thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us;

O Christ thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace. Amen.

The Distribution

During Communion the Worship Team will sing:

Lyrics for both on pages 12 and 13

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Knowing You Jesus (All I Once Held Dear)

Amazing grace (My chains are gone)

verse 1

Amazing grace How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found
Was blind, but now I see

verse 2

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

Chorus

My chains are gone
I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, amazing grace

Verse 3

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

CHORUS 2X

Verse 4

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God, who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

Knowing You Jesus (All I Once Held Dear)

VERSE 1

All I once held dear, built my life upon
All this world reveres, and wars to own
All I once thought gain I have counted loss
Spent and worth-less now, com-pared to this

CHORUS

Knowing you, Jesus
Knowing you, there is no greater thing
You're my all, you're the best
You're my joy, my righteousness
And I love you, Lord

VERSE 2

Now my heart's desire is to know you more
To be found in you and known as yours
To possess by faith what I could not earn
All sur-pass-ing gift of righteous-ness

Repeat Chorus

VERSE 3

Oh, to know the power of your ris-en life
And to know You in Your suffer-ings
To be-come like you in your death, my Lord
So with you to live and never die

FINAL CHORUS

Knowing you, Jesus
Knowing you, there is no greater thing
You're my all, you're the best
You're my joy, my righteous-ness
You're my all, you're the best
You're my joy, my righteous-ness
You're my all, you're the best
You're my joy, my righteous-ness
And I love you, Lord

PAUSE

CLOSE

You're my all, you're the best
You're my joy, my righteous-ness
And I love you, Lord

Graham Kendrick
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The Nunc Dimittis:

U: Lord now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word; For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the Glory of thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Prayer

P: O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good.

C: And his mercy endureth forever

The Closing Prayer *(after which the congregation shall sing "Amen.")*

P: The Lord be with you.

C. And with thy spirit

P: Bless we the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

The Benediction *(After which the congregation shall sing "Amen")*

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May he make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you

May he lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.

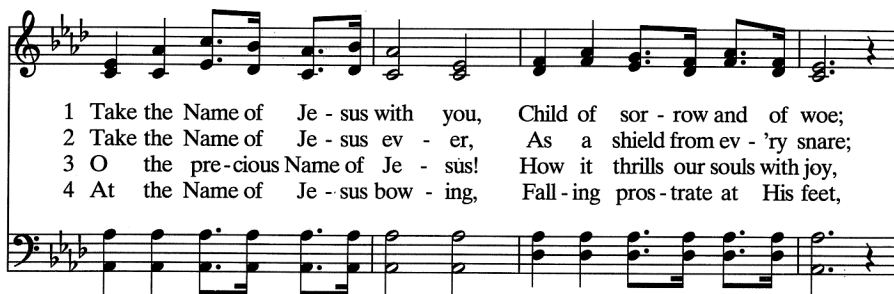
In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

(Numbers 6:24-26)

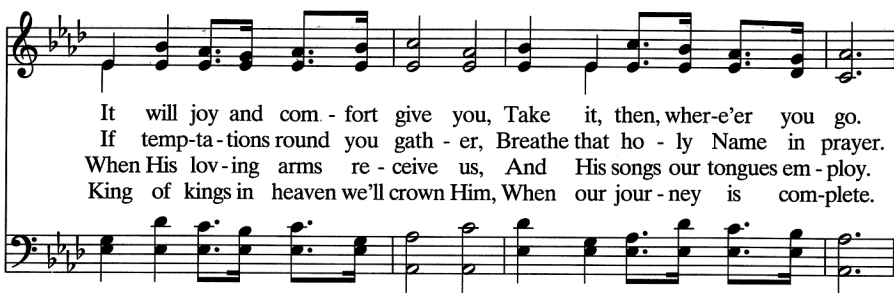
C: Amen

The Closing Hymn:

"Take The Name Of Jesus With You" (AMB288)



1 Take the Name of Je - sus with you, Child of sor - row and of woe;
2 Take the Name of Je - sus ev - er, As a shield from ev - 'ry snare;
3 O the pre - cious Name of Je - sus! How it thrills our souls with joy,
4 At the Name of Je - sus bow - ing, Fall - ing pros - trate at His feet,

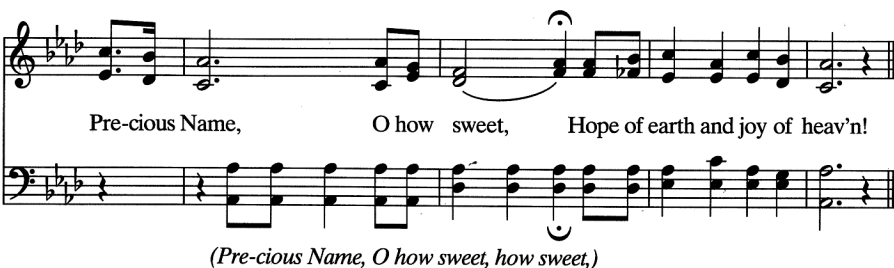


It will joy and com - fort give you, Take it, then, wher - e'er you go.
If temp - ta - tions round you gath - er, Breathe that ho - ly Name in prayer.
When His lov - ing arms re - ceive us, And His songs our tongues em - ploy.
King of kings in heaven we'll crown Him, When our jour - ney is com - plete.

Refrain



Pre - cious Name, O how sweet, Hope of earth and joy of heav'n!
(Pre - cious Name,) (O how sweet,)



Pre - cious Name, O how sweet, Hope of earth and joy of heav'n!
(Pre - cious Name, O how sweet, how sweet,)

The Silent Prayer & Chimes

The Postlude:

"Liturgical Improvisation III" (George Oldroyd)

Senior Choir Anthem

O Bread of Life

O Bread of life from heaven,
To every pilgrim given,
O Manna from above:
The souls that hunger feed Thou,
The hearts that seek Thee lead Thou,
With Thy most sweet and tender love.

O Fount of grace redeeming,
O River ever streaming
From Jesus' holy side:
Come Thou, Thyself bestowing
On thirsting souls, and flowing
Till all their wants are satisfied.

O Jesus this receiving,
Thy word of truth believing,
We Thee unseen adore:
Grant, when our race is ended,
That we, to heaven ascended,
May see Thy glory evermore.

Announcements

The altar flowers are presented by Frank and Lisa Fife to the glory of God and in celebration of their 7th wedding anniversary.

Nursery Today: 8:30—Greta Kelly; during Sunday School—Shari Smith; 11:00—Claudia Patalong.

Known to be hospitalized: Cheryl Schmidt—Shadyside Hospital; Bob Peterson—Kane Rehab. Marie Wilmer is home.

Please continue to pray for Gina Consoli. Gina had a brain tumor partially removed. Her MRI was re-scheduled for last Friday, October 5th. Please keep her in prayer. Her address is: 4305 Excursion Drive, Dalzell, SC 29040.

Acts Preaching Series: Today we continue our 12-week preaching series in the book of Acts. We will discover how God formed and called the Church for the Mission of sharing the Good News throughout the world.

The Library Committee will meet at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, October 11, 2018. Please gather in the Library to begin the process of going through books to be donated or available to our members.

New Members Classes will be starting later this month. Please let Pat Lutz or one of the pastors know if you are interested in finding out more about membership in our church congregation.

Congratulations to Frank and Jennifer Swartz (and big sisters, Alexandra and Autumn) upon the birth of their daughter, Ashley June, on September 21, 2018.

Grieving?

Know someone who is?

When you are grieving a loved one's death, the holiday season can be especially painful. Our **Surviving the Holidays** seminar helps participants prepare for the holidays and even discover hope for the future.



SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS



www.griefshare.org/holidays

November 8, 2018 @ 7:00p.m.
at Ruthfred Lutheran Church

Register by email: pastorosier@ruthfred.org
Or by phone: 412-835-7140 (ext. 226)
Please Register by Nov. 1st

For The Month

<u>Acolytes:</u>	8:30 a.m.	Caleb Cox
	11:00 a.m.	Isaac Cox

Crucifers: 8:30 a.m. (10/21) Emma Hardy
11:00 a.m. Meghan Ghise

Altar Guild: Kim Lewandowski

Counters: 8:30 a.m. Marc Harrold, Roger Kurtz
11:00 a.m. Will Charlton, Cheri Underwood


Greeters: 8:30 a.m. Patricia Drew and Patricia Lutz
11:00 a.m. Will Charlton and Sylvia Fitzgerald

Ushers: 8:30 a.m. Charles Graham and David Graham
Bob Lutz, Chris Wellinger

11:00 a.m. Sam Garloff, Pete Huwe
Mark Hisdorf, Jim Segerdahl, Bob Thomas

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OUR COMMUNION PRACTICE: Today, we celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion. Today, by means of bread and wine, Jesus Christ gives Himself to each communicant. This is His Word and promise. We accept His Lutheran church, we ask you to speak meaning of Holy Communion and a we come to the altar.. we must come As we return.. we always bow or kneel what Jesus Christ has given unto us. of children who are not instructed and encouraged to come to the altar rail for a family blessing.



Word. If you are not a member of a to our pastors at any time about the person's desire to receive it. When with believing and repentant hearts. in prayer in thanksgiving to God for We do not practice the communion confirmed, but the children are en-



SUNDAY SCHOOL, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2018

LARGE CLASS ROOM (Adult)

The adults continue their series together (both large classroom and the upper room) on "Envisioning the Future" through the lens of the books of Ezra-Nehemiah. We will study how God Regathered, Rebuilt, Reformed and Renewed His people for their role in God's great work of Redemption and Restoration of our world.

UPPER ROOM (Adult)

Please join the Adult Large Sunday School Class Room thru Sunday, 11/18/18

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### **More October Birthdays...**

Happy 90th Birthday to Timmie Langkamp on Thursday, October 11, 2018

Happy 98th Birthday to Virginia Bartsch on Sunday, October 21, 2018

Happy 95th Birthday to Louise Hughes on Wednesday, October 24, 2018

Please remember Timmie, Virginia and Louise with birthday wishes and prayers.

## **GIFTS TO OUR CHURCH**

### **Pastor's Fund**

Given by Mary Knobloch in memory of Gerri Styche.

Given by Jim and Lee MacManus in memory of Gerri Styche.

Given by Gladys Constant in memory of Margaret (Gerri) Styche.

Given by Al and Shirley Fascetti in memory of Rev. John Dennis.

### **Craft & Sew**

Given by Al and Shirley Fascetti in memory of Gerri Styche.

Given by Terry and Ellie Williams in memory of Gerri Styche.

### **Youth Fund**

Given by Ron and Diane Barbin in memory of Stacie Klick.

# YOUTH NEWS

## SWAP (6-8 Grade)

**There will be SWAP tonight!** SWAP is our weekly get together for 6-8 Graders, during this time we play games, have a Bible lesson, and get to know one another as we become a community in Christ.

## Brunch (9-12 Grade)

On certain Sundays we host brunch after Church for the youth at the Fouks' House. Brunch typically starts immediately after church, and goes until around 4pm. If you like good food, good company, and fun games, brunch is perfect for you. **There will be brunch today!!**

## SWAP Retreat (6-8 Grade)

**Registration forms are due for this year's annual SWAP retreat** at Seneca Hills Bible Camp. We will be leaving from church on Friday October 19<sup>th</sup> at 6pm, and returning Sunday October 21<sup>st</sup> around 3pm. During their time at Seneca Hills the kids will play large group games, participate in worship, enjoy great food, and take in a number of sessions from a guest speaker. Forms are available outside the youth office, cost is \$65.

## TNT Costume Late Night (9-12 Grade)

On October 27<sup>th</sup> from 6pm-11pm we will be having a costume late night at the church for high school students. During this late night we will play games, enjoy good food, and the company of one another. There will also be a prize for whoever wears the best costume. If this sounds like something you would like to be a part of contact Brandon.

### Save the Date:

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|-------------------|--------------------|
| <u>October 7</u>  | Brunch             |
| <u>October 19</u> | SWAP Retreat       |
| <u>October 27</u> | Costume Late Night |

Questions/concerns?

Contact Brandon Fouks: Fouksanator@gmail.com

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## This Week At Ruthfred

**Today (10/7) WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY**

8:30 a.m.— Communion Service

9:45 a.m.—Sunday School

11:00 a.m.—Communion Service

6:00 p.m.—Communion Service

## Monday (10/8)

9:15 a.m.—JTTW Leaders Meeting

7:00 p.m.—Elders Prayer Time

7:30 p.m.—Council Meeting

## Wednesday (10/10)

9:15 a.m.—JTTW

12:00 p.m.—Esther

5:45 p.m.—Children's Choir

6:30 p.m.—Bell Choir

6:45 p.m.—JTTW/KidsTime

6:45 p.m.—Jr. & Sr. Confirmation Classes

7:30 p.m.—Senior Choir

## Thursday (10/11)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TIMMIE LANGKAMP

10:00 a.m.—Knitting/Crochet Group

6:30 p.m.—Ruth

7:00 p.m.—Career & College Group

### Friday (10/12)

6:30 a.m.—Men's Prayer Group @ Panera's

Sisters and brothers in Christ, welcome to this house of worship! May our praise and prayers be pleasing to God, and may we be eager recipients of His Word. During the announcements, please sign the Friendship Pad and return it to the center aisle.

Attendance for Last Week:

Church...381 Sunday School...133

JTTW (morn)...90

JTTW (evening)...77 KidsTime...25

Avg. Attendance for September: Church...380 SS...121

## Prayer Requests

Please use this space to let the  
pastors, elders and/or church  
know of your prayer needs.

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☐ Please keep this request Private (to be kept amongst the pastors and vicar only).

☐ Please make this request known to the Ruthfred prayer team and announce it to the congregation when appropriate.

## Visiting with us?

Please use this tear-off section to help us get to know a little bit about you and how we may best serve you.

If you have a specific concern or prayer request, please use the space on the other side of this fold.

Date:

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Name:

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Children:

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Address:

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Phone (indicate home, cell, etc.)

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Email:

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I am a/an:

- ☐ 1st-Time Visitor
- ☐ 2nd-Time Visitor
- ☐ Out-of-Town Visitor
- ☐ Regular Attendee

I would like to learn more about:

- ☐ What It Means To Be a Christian
- ☐ Church Membership
- ☐ Ruthfred's Ministries or Groups
- ☐ Ways To Share My Gifts

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