Serving God's People At The Liturgies

Preaching and Presiding The Rev. Kathleen J. Baker, STM Organist Matthew T. Blaisse **Assisting Ministers** 8:30 a.m. Kristen Stewart 10:00 a.m. John Bricker Cantor Jonah Petruschke Helen Koser 8:30 a.m. Ushers Sandy and Bill Baum 10:00 a.m.

The Parish Staff

Kester T. Sobers, III Kathleen J. Baker, STM, Pastor **Pastor Emeritus**

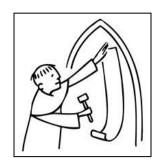
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Reformation Sunday October 18, 2020

8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an everchanging world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

Prelude

The assembly stands at the ringing of the bell and turns to the entrance of the nave.

At the entrance of the nave.

Invocation

- P In the name of the Father, and of the \pm Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Apostolic Greeting

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the Presiding Minister begins.

P Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

- You are sent to heal the contrite: Lord, have mercy.
- Lord, have mercy.
- You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.
- Christ, have mercy.
- You plead for us at the right hand of the Father: Lord, have mercy.
- Lord, have mercy.
- In great mercy God has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. In obedience to our Lord's command, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen. C

Gathering Song

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A Mighty Fortress is Our God FIN FESTE BURG To minimize singing, the assembly is invited to pray or hum along with the hymn.

- 1 A mighty fortress is our God, a sword and shield victorious: he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod and wins salvation glorious. The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dreadful might he arms himself to fight. On earth he has no equal.
- No strength of ours can match his might! 4 God's Word forever shall abide, We would be lost, rejected. But now a champion comes to fight, whom God himself elected. You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored. He holds the field victorious.
- 3 Though hordes of devils fill the land all threat'ning to devour us, we tremble not, unmoved we stand; they cannot overpow'r us. Let this world's tyrant rage; in battle we'll engage! His might is doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail! One little word subdues him.
 - no thanks to foes, who fear it; for God himself fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit. Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day. The kingdom's ours forever!

Deadline to return form please ıs: Monday, October 26, 2020

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Sunday, November 1, 2020

From the Broader Church and Community

FAMILY PROMISE NEWS: Because of the pandemic, Family Promise is housing families temporarily at the Day Center. There are a number of needs for volunteers at the Day Center. If you are interested in helping in this way, please contact Angela Mountz at 717-737-1100 to discuss current needs. There have been increased expenses with housing guests at the Day Center 24/7—donations are greatly appreciated! Money or checks made out to FPHCR may be place in the offering plate or mailed directly to FPHCR, 56 Erford Road, Camp Hill, PA 17011. Donations may also be made directly on their website, www.familypromisehcr.org. Thank you for your continued support! Please contact Georgia Rehm with any questions.

LUTHERAN CAMPING—KEEP THE MINISTRY STRONG: In the face of the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic, the activities and events of The Lutheran Camping Corporation have been temporarily interrupted. When LCC is able to safely resume full ministry activity, it is critical to do so from a healthy financial position, to Keep the Ministry Strong! Your support of this appeal is invited—contributions may be made at lutherancamping.org under the giving tab, or checks may be mailed to the Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pennsylvania, P.O. Box 459, Arendtsville, PA 17303.

UNITED IN LOVE VARIETY HOUR: Christian Churches United's annual celebration event will be broadcast live from The Journey Church on Tuesday, November 10 from 7 p.m. until 8 p.m. Special Guest Dr. Drew Hart, Messiah University professor and author *of Trouble I've Seen* and *Who Will Be a Witness*, will hold a Q & A via Zoom during the after party from 8:15 p.m. until 9 p.m. To register or to support the event with a sponsorship, go to www.CCUVarietyHour.org.

JOY TO THE BURG 2020: Harrisburg area artists have united to fight homeless through the gift of music by recording *Joy to the Burg*, a Christmas album of holiday classics and originals to be released November 10. All proceeds benefit the homelessness programs of Christian Churches United—HELP Ministries and Susquehanna Harbor Safe Haven. To order a CD or download and for more information, go to www.JoyToTheBurg.com.

LUTHERAN DISASTER RELIEF CURRENT APPEALS: Lutheran Disaster Response invites assistance benefitting those affected by recent hurricanes and the California wildfires. Your gifts will be used entirely (100%) to assist those affected until the responses are complete. Please write "Hurricane Response" or "U.S. Wildfires" on your check's memo line and mail to Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, P.O. Box 1809, Merrifield, VA 22116-8009.



Entrance Antiphon

- P Let hearts rejoice who search for the Lord.
- C Seek the Lord and his strength, seek always the face of the Lord. (Psalm 104:3-4)

Prayer of the Day

P Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The assembly is seated.

Psalm Psalm 124

The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold. (Ps. 46:7)

The refrain will be sung by the cantor and repeated by the assembly. The Psalm is sung antiphonally with congregation singing verses in bold. The refrain is then repeated as indicated \mathbf{R} .

AV FUND ESTABLISHED: As Good Shepherd has moved into the live-streaming of worship services to reach those unable to attend in-person worship, Council has approved the establishment of an AV Fund. Monies contributed to this fund will be used to upgrade the church's audio equipment and to purchase necessary video equipment. The congregation is invited to contribute to the AV Fund, which will enable Good Shepherd to reach not only the homebound but also others in the greater community with quality live-streamed services and other events. Checks may be written to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church with "AV Fund" indicated on the memo line.

ONLINE QUILT AND CRAFT AUCTION: This year's Quilt and Craft Auction to benefit the Lutheran Camping Corporation Endowment Fund will be held online from November 1 through November 8. This event helps to financially sustain the LCC's ministry. Register to bid and to preview items at www.lutherancamping.org/quiltauction.

HARRISBURG AREA YOUTH INITIATIVE GATHERINGS: HAYI is meeting in person outdoors (as long as weather permits) every 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays of the month from 5:30 p.m. until 8 p.m. Once it gets cold, meetings will either go indoors or online. For information about meeting sites, contact HAYI Youth Director Zach Hartman at 717-839-1222.

COMMUNITY AID: Good Shepherd's agreement with Community Aid has been modified. The collection bin has been removed from the church parking lot, and donors are now asked to deliver items directly to a Community Aid center. When dropping items off, please note Good Shepherd's partner number—10055—so the church will receive appropriate credit for donations. Thank you for your flexibility in adapting to this change.

DEVOTIONALS MAILED UPON REQUEST: Devotional materials available in the Narthex literature racks may be mailed to your home upon request. If you would like to receive *The Upper Room, Christ in Our Home*, or *Word in Season* via U.S. Mail, please contact the church office (717-564-0385 or goodshepherdpaxtang@gmail.com).

PRAYER CHAIN: If you have a prayer request, or if you would like to receive the list of prayer requests, please contact Edna Hafer or Suzie Crist. We know there is power in prayer, so even when the congregation is not gathered in the building, Good Shepherd members will thankfully lift your prayer requests to God. As we Shelter in Place, may we Shelter in Peace.

announcement

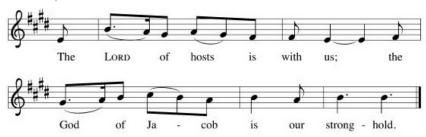
REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all those who, because of illness or infirmity, are unable to be with us for worship. Your prayers, cards, and visits to them are invited so that Christ may be glorified by the manner in which his people care for one another.

THANK YOU: The Lausch family extends heartfelt thanks to the Good Shepherd congregation for its assistance and attendance at Scott's funeral. The cards, words of condolence, prayers, and support for the family are deeply appreciated.

RESIGNATION: With regret, Good Shepherd has accepted Matt Blaisse's notice of his intention to 'retire' from the church at the end of 2020. His last Sunday will be December 27, 2020. In his words, "The COVID-19 pandemic has been an immensely trying time for all of us, and I regret that this news may add to the burden that 2020 has brought to Good Shepherd. However, it has also presented the need for me personally to re-evaluate my commitments for the sake of my mental and physical health and for the well-being of my family. This was an incredibly difficult decision, but one with which I am entirely at peace." Further, he adds, "I am extraordinarily grateful to the people of Good Shepherd for the experience I've gained and the support I've received during my time here, and I look forward to sharing my gratitude in detail in my final congregational meeting report this November." Plans for succession will be forthcoming.

pandemic, the November Frey Village Birthday Party has been cancelled. We will be able to give gift bags to the residents with November Birthdays as we did for the April Birthday party. Donations of candy, non slip socks, books of games such as search-a-word, note cards, etc. can be made. If you are unable to shop for items a money donation will be accepted. Any donations made will be used for gift items. Any money in excess will be donated to Frey's activities department. Gift bags need to be delivered by November 11. To make a donation or to sign up to help, please contact Sylvia McAnnaney —thank you!

FLU SHOT CLINIC OCTOBER 31: As part of their upcoming outdoor fellowship event, DeafCAN! is hosting a Flu Shot Clinic, provided by CVS, on Saturday, October 31 from 11 a.m. until Noon at Good Shepherd. The congregation is invited to participate—bring your insurance card and driver's license/photo identification. The event will also include pumpkin carving/painting, and refreshments will be available for purchase.



Psalm tone



¹God is our ref- | uge and strength, a very present | help in trouble.

²Therefore we will not fear, though the | earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths | of the sea;

³though its waters | rage and foam,

and though the mountains tremble | with its tumult.

⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- | y of God, the holy habitation of | the Most High.

⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall | not be shaken; God shall help it at the | break of day.

⁶The nations rage, and the | kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth | melts away. R

⁷The LORD of | hosts is with us; the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

*Come now, regard the works | of the LORD, what desolations God has brought up- | on the earth;

⁹behold the one who makes war to cease in | all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the | shields with fire.

 10 "Be still, then, and know that | I am God;

I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted | in the earth."

¹¹The LORD of | hosts is with us; the God of Jacob | is our stronghold. **R** First Reading Romans 3:19-28

Paul's words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.

A A reading from Romans.

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the Gospel.



Worship Memorials

The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of Isabella Gonzalez's

1st anniversary of her baptism by her grandmother, Susan Master.

The flowers are also given to the Glory of God and in memory of John Leedy, who died February 27, 2020 by Romayne Leedy (his wife of 74 years) and Candy and Bill.

The bulletins are given and the lamps are burning to the Glory of God.

Adult Sunday School

Adult Sunday School has been suspended until further notice.

Last Week

Our praise and thanksgiving to God for our many blessings reflected in our tithes and offerings each week.

Spending Proposal Per Week	\$ 3,676.00
Total Received	3,037.00
Difference	-629.00

This Wook

Word and Sacrament (Nave) Today 8:30 a.m. October 25 This service will also be streamed on **Reformation Sunday** Facebook Live with a video link to be posted on www.goodshepherdpaxtang.com 10:00 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave) Boy Scout Troop and Pack 42 (ASH) Monday 6:30 p.m. October 26 Tuesday 9:30 a.m. Workshop (ASH) October 27 Wednesday 9:30 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave) This service will also be streamed on October 28 Facebook Live. DeafCAN! (ASH) Outdoor Fellowship Saturday 10:00 a.m. October 31 Flu Shot Clinic from 11 a.m. until Noon

> 5:00 p.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave)

Sunday

All Saints' Sunday

November 1

8:30 a.m.

Word & Sacrament (Nave) This service will also be streamed on

Facebook Live with a video link to be

posted on www.goodshepherdpaxtang.com

10:00 a.m. Word & Sacrament (Nave)

Daily Readings

M	Psalm 119:41-48; Deuteronomy 6:1-9, 20-25; James 2:8-13
T	Psalm 119:41-48, Deuteronomy 10:10-22, James 2:14-26
W	Psalm 119:41-48, Proverbs 16:1-20, Matthew 19:16-22
Th	Psalm 43, 1 Samuel 2:27-36, Romans 2:17-29
F	Psalm 43, Ezekiel 13:1-16, 2 Peter 2:1-3
Sa	Psalm 43, Malachi 1:6—2:9, Matthew 23:13-28
Su	Revelation 7:9-17; Psalm 34:1-10, 22; 1 John 3:1-3;
	Matthew 5:1-12

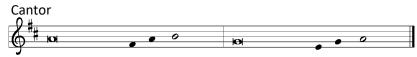
Gospel Acclamation

The cantor introduces the acclamation. The assembly will repeat the acclamation. Following the verse, the acclamation is sung again by all.

Verse Tone







If you continue in my word, you are truly | my disciples, * and you will know the truth, and the truth will | make you free. (John 8:31-32)

Gospel John 8:31-36

Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

The Holy Gospel according to John.



³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

The Gospel of the Lord



The assembly may be seated.

Sermon

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

The assembly stands to profess the faith.

Profession of Faith
The Apostles' Creed

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C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers Of The People

Hearing the Word of God in Scripture and in Preaching moves us to pray for the whole Church, the nations, those in need, the parish, the R3 team, and our special concerns.

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words:

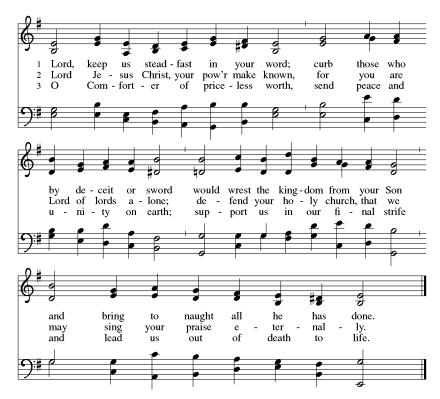
A Lord, in your mercy

C hear our prayer.

Response at the conclusion of the prayers of the people:

C Amen.

The assembly may be seated.



Silent Prayer and Dismissal

A The liturgy is ended. Go in peace. Sound the good news.

C Thanks be to God.

The assembly is seated. The presiding minister will dismiss and greet the congregation by pew, starting at the font. Social distancing guidelines will be followed.

Postlude

Material from the following sources is acknowledged: Graphic, Introduction, Invocation, Greeting, Prayer of the Day, First Reading, Psalm Refrain, Psalm Tone, Psalm, Second Reading, Glory to you, Praise to you, Gospel, Offering Prayer, Blessing, Dismissal from SundaysAndSeasons.com. Copyright 2020 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #20731. New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

P Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life.

C Amen.

Sending Song ELW 517

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word ERHALT UNS, HERR To minimize singing, the assembly is invited to pray or hum along with the hymn.

- 1 Lord, keep us steadfast in your word; curb those who by deceit or sword would wrest the kingdom from your Son and bring to naught all he has done.
- 2 Lord Jesus Christ, your pow'r make known, for you are Lord of lords alone; defend your holy church, that we may sing your praise eternally.
- 3 O Comforter of priceless worth, send peace and unity on earth; support us in our final strife and lead us out of death to life.

Peace

The words of the Peace are an ancient solemn blessing signifying the reconciliation that we have with God and, through Christ, with one another. Please do not use this time for casual greetings or conversations.

P Jesus said: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled.

The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

Worshippers will stay in place, speaking a word of peace, nodding, smiling, using the peace sign, using American Sign Language, touching their hearts, etc.

Greeting: Peace be with you.

Response: Peace be with you.

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offertory

Offertory Song

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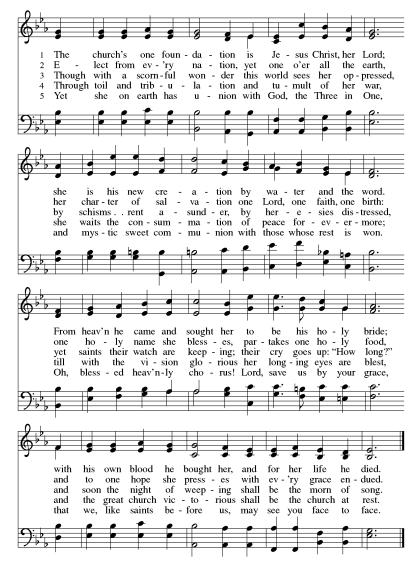
The Church's One Foundation (verses 1 and 2)

AURELIA

The assembly stands as the ushers come forward with the gifts. To minimize singing, the assembly is invited to pray or hum along with the hymn.

- 1 The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord; she is his new creation by water and the word. From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
- 2 Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth: one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

5 Yet she on earth has union with God, the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won. Oh, blessed heav'nly chorus! Lord, save us by your grace, that we, like saints before us, may see you face to face.



Prayer After Communion

Invitation To Communion

- P This is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.
- C Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

The assembly may be seated.

Communion Of The Faithful

All baptized Christians are invited to share faithfully in the Holy Eucharist. In this sacrament, by the power of God's Word and Holy Spirit, we receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ along with the bread and wine for our forgiveness and salvation, as we celebrate our unity with Christ and all the saints.

At this time, we will be using the wafer only; Pastor will be masked and will sanitize prior to distribution; Pastor will come to the pews (using the empty pew between the worshippers); congregants may sit or kneel; congregants are encouraged to wear masks for Pastor's safety; Pastor will place the wafer in the communicant's hand; and, once Pastor has moved on, congregant can pull down mask and consume the wafer.

Music During Distribution

Song After Communion

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The Church's One Foundation (verses 3 through 5) The assembly stands.

AURELIA

To minimize singing, the assembly is invited to pray or hum along with the hymn.

- 3 Though with a scornful wonder this world sees her oppressed, by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed, yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up: "How long?" And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.
- 4 Through toil and tribulation and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace forevermore; till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.



Offertory Prayer

- P Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.
- C Blessed be God forever.
- P Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.
- C Blessed be God forever.
- A Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. As the grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.
- C Amen.

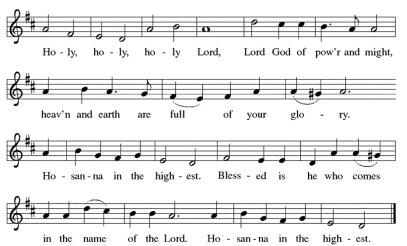
Great Thanksgiving

Dialogue

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

Holy, Holy, Holy



Eucharistic Prayer

At the Presiding Minister's invitation, "...we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."



The Eucharistic prayer concludes, "...both now and forever."



The Lord's Prayer

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- P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
- C 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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Lamb of God

