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Christ's blessings to all! **To our visitors**, we rejoice to have you gathered together with us in our Lord's House this day & look forward to having you with us again. If you are searching for a Church home, **please introduce yourself to Pastor** afterwards, or indicate such together **with your contact information** in the red 'Fellowship Booklets' located in each pew.

The Order of Service without Holy Communion

+ Prelude

+ Hymn – #13

"Before Jehovah's Awe~full Throne"

+ Invocation – pg. 5

+ Confession of Sins and Pronouncement of Grace – pg. 5-6

+ INTROIT *Ps. 30:2–5; antiphon: Ps. 30:11a, 12b*

You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;

O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

**O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,
and you have healed me.**

O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;

you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.

**Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints,
and give thanks to his holy name.**

For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;

O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

- + Gloria Patri – pg. 6
- + The Kyrie – pg. 7
- + The Gloria in Excelsis – pg. 7-9
- + The Salutation – pg. 9

+ The Collect for The Day

Lord Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd, without whom nothing is secure. Rescue and preserve us that we may not be lost forever but follow You, rejoicing in the way that leads to eternal life; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

+ The Catechism Review – The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

What is Baptism?

Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's word.

Which is that word of God? Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew: **"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."**

+ The Old Testament Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-24

¹¹"For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. ¹²As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. ¹⁴I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. ¹⁶I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

¹⁷"As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats. ¹⁸Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pasture; and to drink of clear water, that you must muddy the rest of the water with your feet? ¹⁹And must my sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have muddied with your feet?

²⁰"Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. ²¹Because you push with side and

shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, ²²I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. ²³And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. ²⁴And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken.”

+ Choir: “Celtic Amazing Grace”

+ The Epistle: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

¹²I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, ¹³though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

+ The Triple Hallelujah – pg. 10

+ The Gospel Verses – pg. 10-11

+ The Holy Gospel: Luke 15:1-10

¹Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear [Jesus]. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”

³So he told them this parable: ⁴“What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? ⁵And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ ⁷Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

⁸“Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? ⁹And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ ¹⁰Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

+ **The Apostles' Creed, pg. 12**

+ **Sermon Hymn – #324, v. 1, 3, 6, 7, 8**
“Jesus Sinners Doth Receive”

+ **Sermon – “Joy Over One Sinner Who Repents”**
Luke 15:3-7

- I. Heaven rejoices over one sinner who repents.
- II. So should we.

+ **The Offertory – pg. 12** (*stand*)

+ **The Offering** (*be seated*)

+ **The Prayer of The Church**

+ **The Lord's Prayer – pg. 14**

+ **Hymn –#32**
“Redeemed, Restored, Forgiven”

+ **The Collect for The Word / The Church – pg. 14** (*stand*)

+ **The Benediction – pg. 14**

+ **Hymn – #342**
“Chief of Sinners Though I Be”

Silent Prayer & Postlude

+ SOLI DEO GLORIA +

DAILY READINGS: September 11: 2 Chron. 29:1–24; Phil. 3:1–21; 12: 2 Chron. 31:1–21; Phil. 4:1–23; 13: 2 Chron. 32:1–22; Col. 1:1–23; 14: 2 Chron. 33:1–25; Col. 1:24–2:7; 15: 2 Chron. 34:1–4, 8–11, 14–33; Col. 2:8–23; 16: 2 Chron. 35:1–7, 16–25; Col. 3:1–25; 17: 2 Chron. 36:1–23; Col. 4:1–18.

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