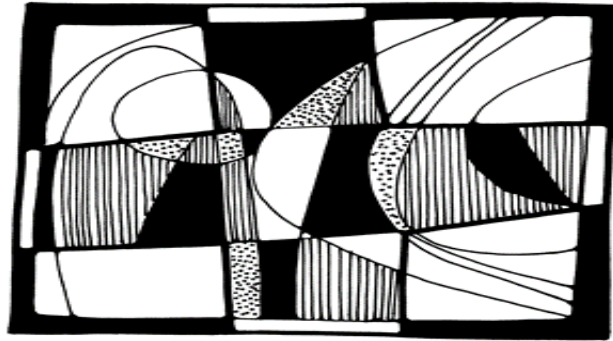


Lamb Of God Lutheran Church

September 8, 2019



Thirteenth Sunday
After Pentecost



WHOEVER
DOES NOT
CARRY THE
CROSS AND
FOLLOW ME
CANNOT BE
MY DISCIPLE.

L U K E 1 4 : 2 7

We will be celebrating Holy Communion at this service

We consider this to be a family meal partaken in and with the Real Presence of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The term “Communion” describes the relationship between the participants, certainly between each person and our Savior whose meal it is, but also with all who come together to consume Christ’s body and blood in and with the bread and wine. To properly celebrate Communion all participants should be in communion, sharing the same confession of faith as is taught by the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS). **We welcome all those who regularly confess this faith as members or regular attenders of Lamb of God. Those who belong to another LCMS congregation and wish to join with us as fellow family members are asked to speak to an Elder prior to the beginning of service. Those who are visiting but not members of an LCMS congregation may approach the communion rail and receive a blessing with their arms folded in front of their chest, or remain seated.**

This has been the practice of the Church from the beginning, which according to earliest records would dismiss all those not baptized and confirmed before the Lord’s Supper was celebrated. We are celebrating this Sacrament in keeping with this tradition. If you are from outside the LCMS confession, please know that we are not judging you or your faith. We are not implying that you are not a Christian or worthy of the gifts Christ won for you on the cross. We are simply acknowledging that since you do not have the same confession as we do you are not “in communion” with us. If you still desire to participate in Holy Communion in the future at Lamb of God please speak with Pastor Mark after the service.

Thank you for honoring our celebration of Holy Communion.

*** Note: For those concerned about consuming alcohol-the individual cups in the center of each tray contain diluted wine. (1 drop of wine in water)*

2 *Also Gluten Free wafers available.*

Lamb of God Lutheran Church

*Empowered by Christ's Sacraments to be His witness in
Friendship/Fellowship/and Faith.*

2051 West Maple Ave.
Flint, MI 48507
810 234 2423



Rev. Mark Pretznow
248 736-8639



WORSHIP
10:00 AM

Divine Service, Setting Three

*Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 8, 2019*

Fellowship Register

Please sign the register that you will find in the book holder and pass it on to the others sitting in your pew. Guests are invited to sign the register and please include your address. Thank you.

Pre-Service Music

Welcome & Announcements



The Peace of the Lord be with you always.



And also with you.

(The Peace of the Lord is given and received)

Opening Hymn + LSB 556 vs 1-3
(A Lamb of God Favorite)

Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice



1 Dear Chris-tians, one and all, re-joice, With ex-ul-ta-tion
2 Fast bound in Sa-tan's chains I lay; Death brood-ed dark-ly
3 My own good works all came to naught, No grace or mer-it



spring-ing, And with u-nit-ed heart and voice And ho-ly
o'er me. Sin was my tor-ment night and day; In sin my
gain-ing; Free will a-against God's judg-ment fought, Dead to all



rap-ture sing-ing, Pro-claim the won-ders God has done, How
moth-er bore me. But dai-ly deep-er still I fell; My
good re-main-ing. My fears in-creased till sheer de-spair Left



His right arm the vic-t'ry won. What price our ran-som cost Him!
life be-came a liv-ing hell, So firm-ly sin pos-sessed me.
on-ly death to be my share; The pangs of hell I suf-fered.

Please stand, as able.

Confession & Declaration of Grace + LSB 184

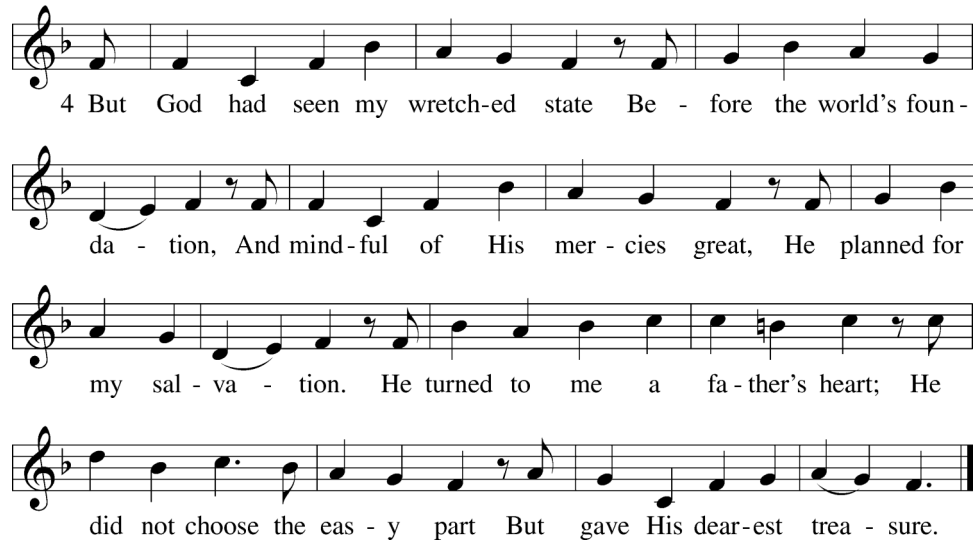
P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**
- P** Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C** **O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.
- C** **Amen.**

(A Lamb of God Favorite)

Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice



4 But God had seen my wretch-ed state Be - fore the world's foun -
da - tion, And mind - ful of His mer - cies great, He planned for
my sal - va - tion. He turned to me a fa - ther's heart; He
did not choose the eas - y part But gave His dear - est trea - sure.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Let us pray. O merciful Lord, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for us all. Grant us courage and strength to take up the cross and follow Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Please be seated.



¹⁵“See, I have set before you life and death. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his just decrees, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1

P Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,

- C** nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
- P** but his delight is in the law of the LORD,
- C** and on his law he meditates day and night.
- P** He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither.
- C** In all that he does, he prospers.
- P** The wicked are not so,
- C** but are like chaff that the wind drives away.
- P** Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
- C** nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
- P** for the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
- C** but the way of the wicked will perish.
- 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.

Please stand, as able.

Verse and Alleluia

- P** Alleluia. Far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world Alleluia.

Holy Gospel + Luke 14:25-35

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 14th chapter.



²⁵Now great crowds accompanied [Jesus], and he turned and said to them, ²⁶“If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own



G Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

father
and
mother
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wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, ³⁰saying, ‘This man began to build and was not able to finish.’ ³¹Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. ³³So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.

³⁴“Salt is good, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? ³⁵It is of no use either for the soil or for the manure pile. It is thrown away. He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Hymn of the Day + LSB 646
(Sung to tune LSB 477)

Church of God, Elect and Glorious

- 1 Church of God, elect and glorious,
Holy nation, chosen race;
Called as God's own special people,
Royal priests and heirs of grace:
Know the purpose of your calling,
Show to all His mighty deeds;
Tell of love that knows no limits,
Grace that meets all human needs.

- 2 God has called you out of darkness
Into His most marv'lous light;
Brought His truth to life within you,
Turned your blindness into sight.
Let your light so shine around you
That God's name is glorified
And all find fresh hope and purpose
In Christ Jesus crucified.

- 3 Once you were an alien people,
Strangers to God's heart of love;
But He brought you home in mercy,
Citizens of heav'n above.
Let His love flow out to others,
Let them feel a Father's care;
That they too may know His welcome
And His countless blessings share.

- 4 Church of God, elect and holy,
 Be the people He intends;
 Strong in faith and swift to answer
 Each command your Master sends:
 Royal priests, fulfill your calling
 Through your sacrifice and prayer;
 Give your lives in joyful service—
 Sing His praise, His love declare.

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Sermon + Luke 14:33
"Are You Worthy?"

Please stand, as able.

Credal Hymn + LSB 953
 (A Lamb of God Favorite)

We All Believe in One True God



- 1 We all be-lieve in one true God, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,
 2 We all be-lieve in Je - sus Christ, Son of God and Mar - y's son,
 3 We all con-fess the Ho - ly Ghost, Who from both in truth pro-ceeds,



Ev - er - pres - ent help in need, Praised by all the heav'n - ly host;
 Who de-scend-ed from His throne And for us sal - va - tion won;
 Who sus-tains and com-forts us In all tri - als, fears, and needs.



All He made His love en-folds, All cre - a - tion He up-holds.
By whose cross and death are we Res - cued from all mis - er - y.
Bless-ed, ho - ly Trin - i - ty, Praise for - ev - er be to Thee!

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Please be seated.

We Receive Our Tithes & Offerings

Offering Verse + Deuteronomy 30: 19b-20

Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

Please stand, as able.

The Offertory Hymn + LSB 192

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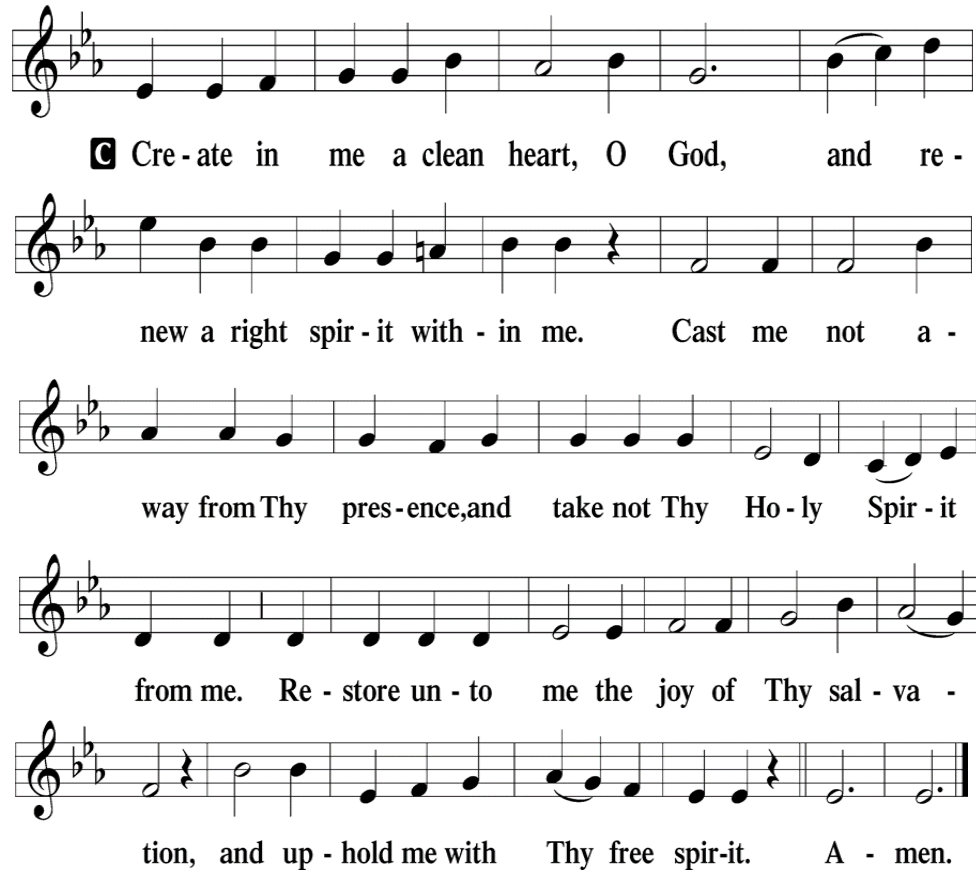
The Prayers of the Church

P Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

P Preserve us, O Lord, from all temptation, and grant us faith, that we may rest all our prayers and the desires of our hearts in Your merciful arms, for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Please stand, as able.



C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

Holy Communion

Preface + LSB 194

- 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.**

Proper Preface + Pastor

It is truly meet, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus + LSB 195


Lord's Prayer + LSB 196

- P** Taught by our Lord and trusting in His promises we are bold 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**

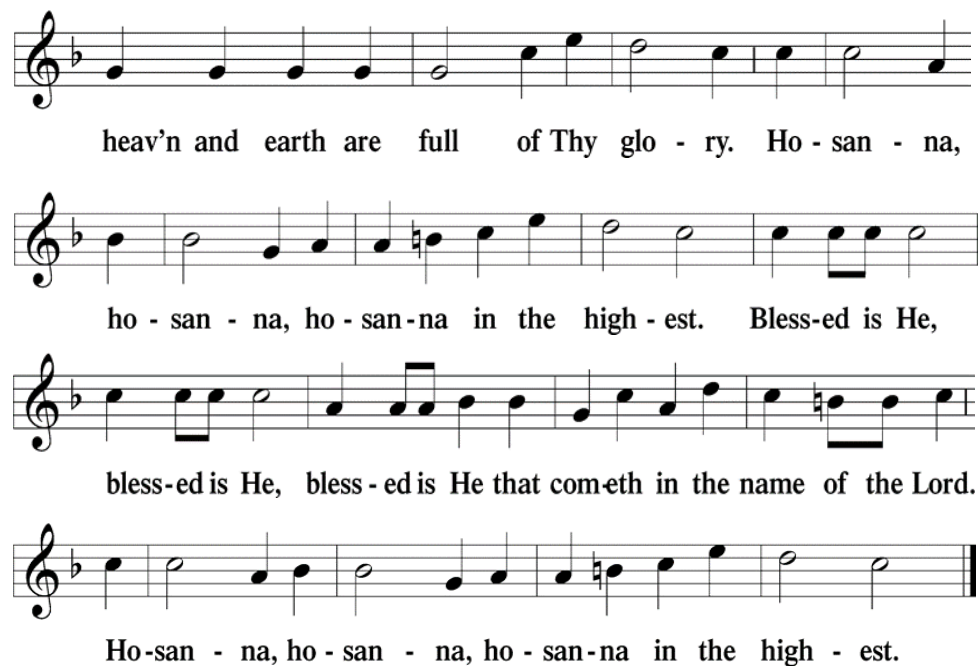
Words of Institution

The Pax Domini + LSB 197

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
 ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,
 bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.
 Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Agnus Dei + LSB 198

Please be seated.

+ Distribution of the Blessed Sacrament +

Note: Diluted wine in center cups for those concerned about alcohol. Gluten Free wafers available on Altar-let the Elder serving communion know.

Distribution Hymn + LSB 556 vs 5-7

(A Lamb of God Favorite)

Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

5




6 The Son obeyed His Father’s will,
 Was born of virgin mother;
And God’s good pleasure to fulfill,
 He came to be my brother.
His royal pow’r disguised He bore;
A servant’s form, like mine, He wore
 To lead the devil captive.

The hymn continues on next page.

7 To me He said: “Stay close to Me,
 I am your rock and castle.
Your ransom I Myself will be;
 For you I strive and wrestle.
For I am yours, and you are Mine,
And where I am you may remain;
 The foe shall not divide us.

Distribution Hymn + LSB 333
Once He Came in Blessing



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save us; Hope and free - dom gave us.
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 fess You Till in heav'n we bless You.

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Distribution Hymn + LSB 851
Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us



1 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your
 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Glad - ly,
 3 Won - drous hon - or You have giv - en To our
 4 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your



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 free - ly of Your own. With the sun - shine of Your
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 life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the



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 sen - tence, "You have done it all to Me."
 lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice.



And with that have free - ly giv - en Bless - ings
Till our cold and self - ish na - tures, Warmed by
Can it be, O gra - cious Mas - ter, That You
Give us faith to trust You bold - ly, Hope, to



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all Your grac - es, With Your love our love re - new.

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Table Blessing

Please stand, as able.

Nunc Dimittis + LSB 199

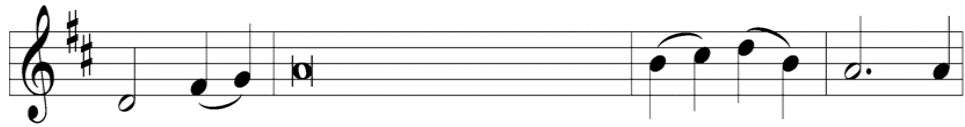
Thanksgiving + LSB 200

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

Collect + LSB 201

P Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness,
who in lovingkindness sent Your only-begotten Son into
the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given
us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not
to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and



C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-



cord-ing to Thy word. for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation.



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled
constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son,
our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy

Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Salutation and Benedicamus

P The Lord be with you.



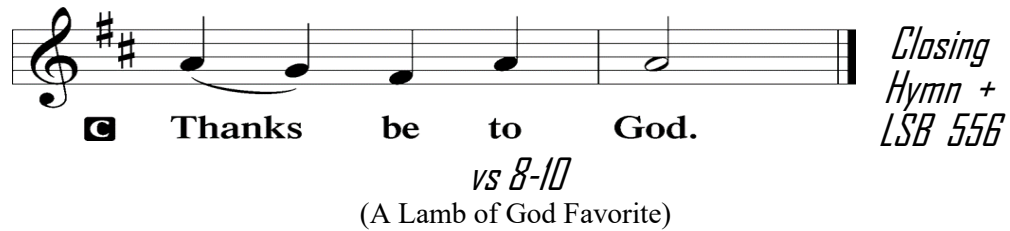
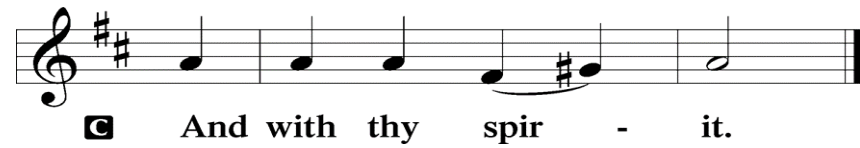
P Bless we the Lord.

Benediction + LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face



shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His
countenance upon you and † give you peace.



Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice



- 8 “Though he will shed My precious blood,
Me of My life bereaving,
All this I suffer for your good;
Be steadfast and believing.
Life will from death the vict’ry win;
My innocence shall bear your sin,
And you are blest forever.

- 9 “Now to My Father I depart,
 From earth to heav’n ascending,
And, heavn’ly wisdom to impart,
 The Holy Spirit sending;
In trouble He will comfort you
And teach you always to be true
 And into truth shall guide you.
- 10 “What I on earth have done and taught
 Guide all your life and teaching;
So shall the kingdom’s work be wrought
 And honored in your preaching.
But watch lest foes with base alloy
The heav’nly treasure should destroy;
 This final word I leave you.”

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P Go in peace. Serve the Lord
C **Thanks be to God.**



Lamb of God Lutheran Church



Invites you to:



Sunday School Round-up September 15th, 2019

See What We Are All About !!!!!

Save the Date!

- Sunday School and Bible Study – 9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.
- Bells 2 Heaven Choir - first practice scheduled, 10/6/19.
- Community Service-Food Bank of Eastern Michigan, 10/5/19
- Youth Fellowship –Tiger Baseball Game, 9/15/19
- Scout Recognition – Church Service Participation, 9/15/19
- Children's Christmas Program, 12/8/19
- VBS



Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

Matthew 19:14



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WALKING TOGETHER:

Adult Catechism Refresher and New Member
Class will begin

Wednesday September 11th, 7:00 PM.



This class runs for 7-weeks. Members, regular
attenders, those curious about Lamb of God
and what we believe and confess:

ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

A sign-up sheet is on the table in front of Pastor's Office.

Since the spring of 2015, Franklin Avenue Mission (FAM) has served the poor, hungry and homeless on Flint's east side. The needs and numbers of this



community continue to grow. God's Holy Spirit has ignited the missional servants of FAM to be the hands, feet, face and voice of Jesus Christ to the poor ones—to be a boots-on- ground church. Use your talent and love of golf to fund the much needed and appreciated missionary work



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4-person 18-hole scramble
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(Following golf around 4:00 pm)

All fees due September 1, 2019

Mail payment (check only) and completed
form above to:

Franklin Avenue Mission
2210 N. Franklin Avenue
Flint, MI 48506
Attn: Devoted Fellowship Golf

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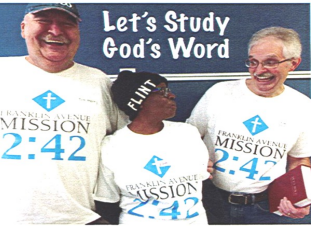
Devoted Fellowship Golf



For more information call:

Bob Legutko (810) 701-0147

Fred Casselman (810) 845-6082



Consider a financial or in-kind donation to Mercy House, FAM's homeless shelter for women and children—scheduled for completion in early fall 2019. Contact RachelIS@FranklinAveMission.org for details.

PROTECT MICHIGAN VALUES

Michigan's Constitution allows **THE PEOPLE** to initiate legislation through a petition. The advantage of this approach is that the bill's language cannot be changed by the Michigan Legislature, nor can it be vetoed by the governor.

This petition seeks to pass a ban on the barbaric practice of **DISMEMBERMENT ABORTION** or dilation and evacuation abortion (D&E).

Dismemberment abortion is an abortion procedure performed on babies between 13 and 24 weeks of gestation where the baby is pulled apart limb-from-limb and then reassembled outside the womb to confirm no pieces of the baby were left behind. There were 1,908 dismemberment abortions in Michigan in 2018.

12 OTHER STATES have passed bans on dismemberment abortion.

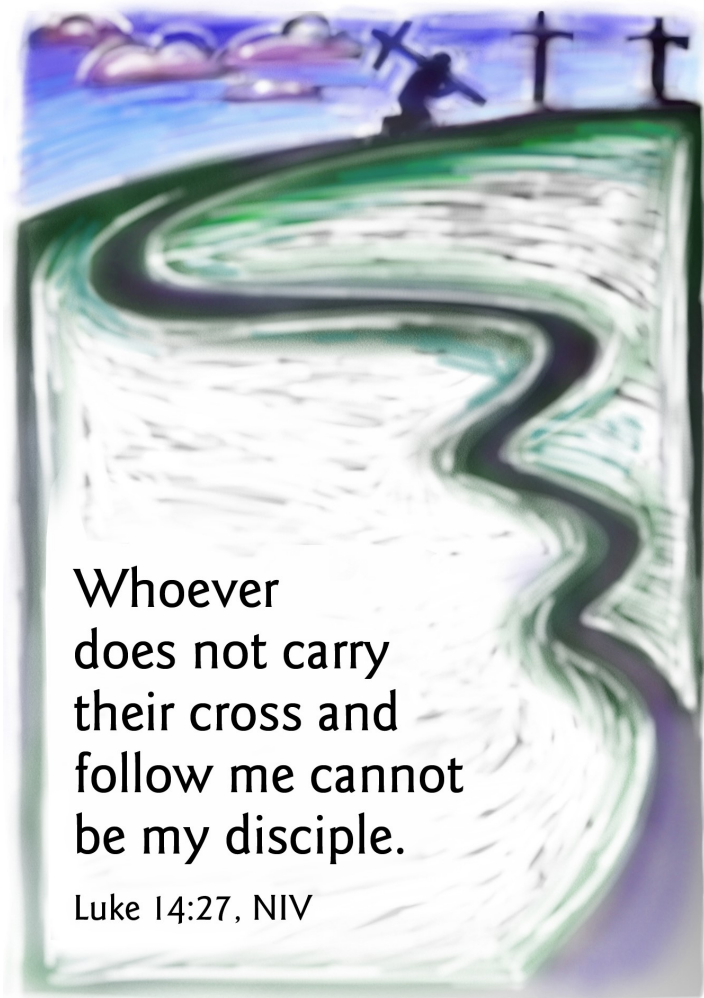
To propose this bill, **340,000 VALID SIGNATURES of REGISTERED VOTERS** must be gathered within 180 days.

**SIGN THE PETITION,
END DISMEMBERMENT ABORTION!**



To learn more about this critical initiative,
visit **MichiganValuesLife.org** or call (616) 532-2300.

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Whoever
does not carry
their cross and
follow me cannot
be my disciple.

Luke 14:27, NIV