

# See. Frame. Engage.

Loving our neighbors through the viewfinder of Jesus

Summer Sermon Series



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**1 CORINTHIANS SERVICE**

Worship in a traditional order that uses portions of 1 Corinthians.

**Opening Hymn**

**Father Welcomes**

LSB 605

*Refrain*



Fa - ther wel-comes all His chil - dren To His fam - 'ly



through His Son. Fa - ther giv - ing His sal - va - tion,



Life for - ev - er has been won.



1 Lit - tle chil - dren, come to Me, For My king - dom  
2 In the wa - ter, in the Word, In His prom - ise,  
3 Let us dai - ly die to sin; Let us dai - ly



is of these. Life and love I have to give,  
be as - sured: Those who are bap - tized and be - lieve  
rise with Him, Walk in the love of Christ our Lord,



*Refrain*

Mer - cy for your sin.  
Shall be born a - gain.  
Live in the peace of God.

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**Invocation** (Based on 1 Corinthians 1:2-3)

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: To the church of God, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be holy,

C: **Together with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,**

P: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

C: **Amen.**

**Confession and Absolution** (Based on 1 Corinthians 10:6-13, 15:56-57, 5:7a)

P: Paul warns the Corinthians from Israel's history: "Do not be idolaters," "we should not test the Lord," and "do not grumble." "So if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, He will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it." Do you recognize that you are tempted in many ways?

C: **Yes.**

P: "The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law."

All: **"But thanks be to God!**

**He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen."**

P: "For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed" for our sins.

C: **Amen!**

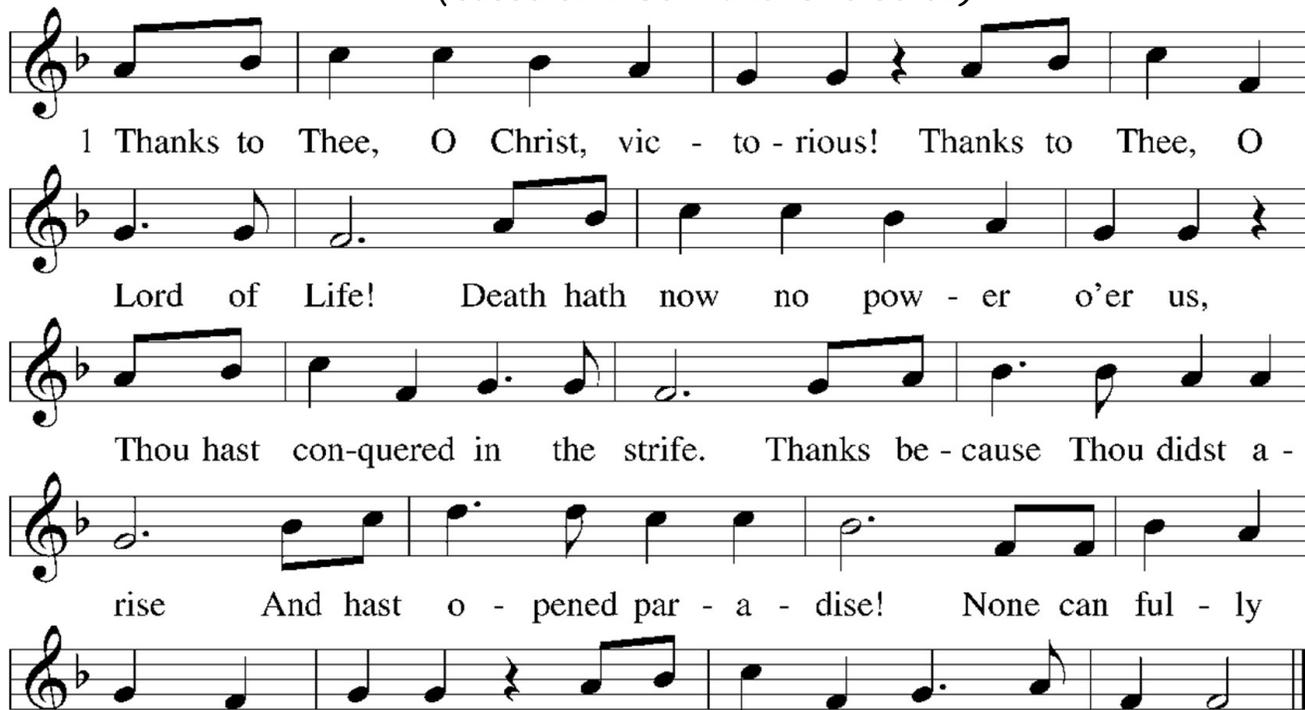


**Hymn of Praise**

**Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious**

LSB # 548, st. 1

(based on 1 Corinthians 15:56-57)



1 Thanks to Thee, O Christ, vic - to - rious! Thanks to Thee, O  
Lord of Life! Death hath now no pow - er o'er us,  
Thou hast con - quered in the strife. Thanks be - cause Thou didst a -  
rise And hast o - pened par - a - dise! None can ful - ly  
sing the glo - ry Of the res - ur - rec - tion sto - ry.

**Series Reading**

**1 Corinthians 13 (ESV)**

<sup>1</sup>If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup>And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup>If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant <sup>5</sup>or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup>it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. <sup>7</sup>Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

<sup>8</sup>Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. <sup>9</sup>For we know in part and we prophesy in part, <sup>10</sup>but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. <sup>11</sup>When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. <sup>12</sup>For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

<sup>13</sup>So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Collect (See Frame Engage Prayer of the Day)**

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, to Whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from Whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You, and worthily magnify Your holy name; through Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

**Song of Praise**

**They'll Know We Are Christians**



1. We are one in the Spir - it, we are one in the  
 2. We will walk with each oth - er, we will walk hand in  
 3. We will work with each oth - er, we will work side by  
 4. All — praise to the Fa - ther, from — whom all things



Lord; We are one in the Spir - it, we are one in the  
 hand; We will walk with each oth - er, we will walk hand in  
 side; We will work with each oth - er, we will work side by  
 come; And all praise to Christ Je - sus, His — on - ly —



Lord. And we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re -  
 hand. And to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our  
 side. And we'll guard each man's dig - ni - ty and save — each man's  
 Son. And all praise to the Spir - it, who — makes — us —



-stored. And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our  
 land.  
 pride.  
 one.



love, yes they'll know — we are Chris - tians by our love. —

**Companion Reading**

**1 John 3:1-3 (ESV)**

<sup>1</sup>See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: *Thanks be to God.*

**Song of the Day**

***I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light***

LSB 411



1 I want to walk as a child of the light.  
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.  
3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.



I want to fol - low Je - sus.  
I want to look at Je - sus.  
I want to be with Je - sus.



God set the stars to give light to the world.  
Clear Sun of Righ - teous - ness, shine on my path,  
When we have run with pa - tience the race,



The star of my life is Je - sus.  
And show me the way to the Fa - ther.  
We shall know the joy of Je - sus.

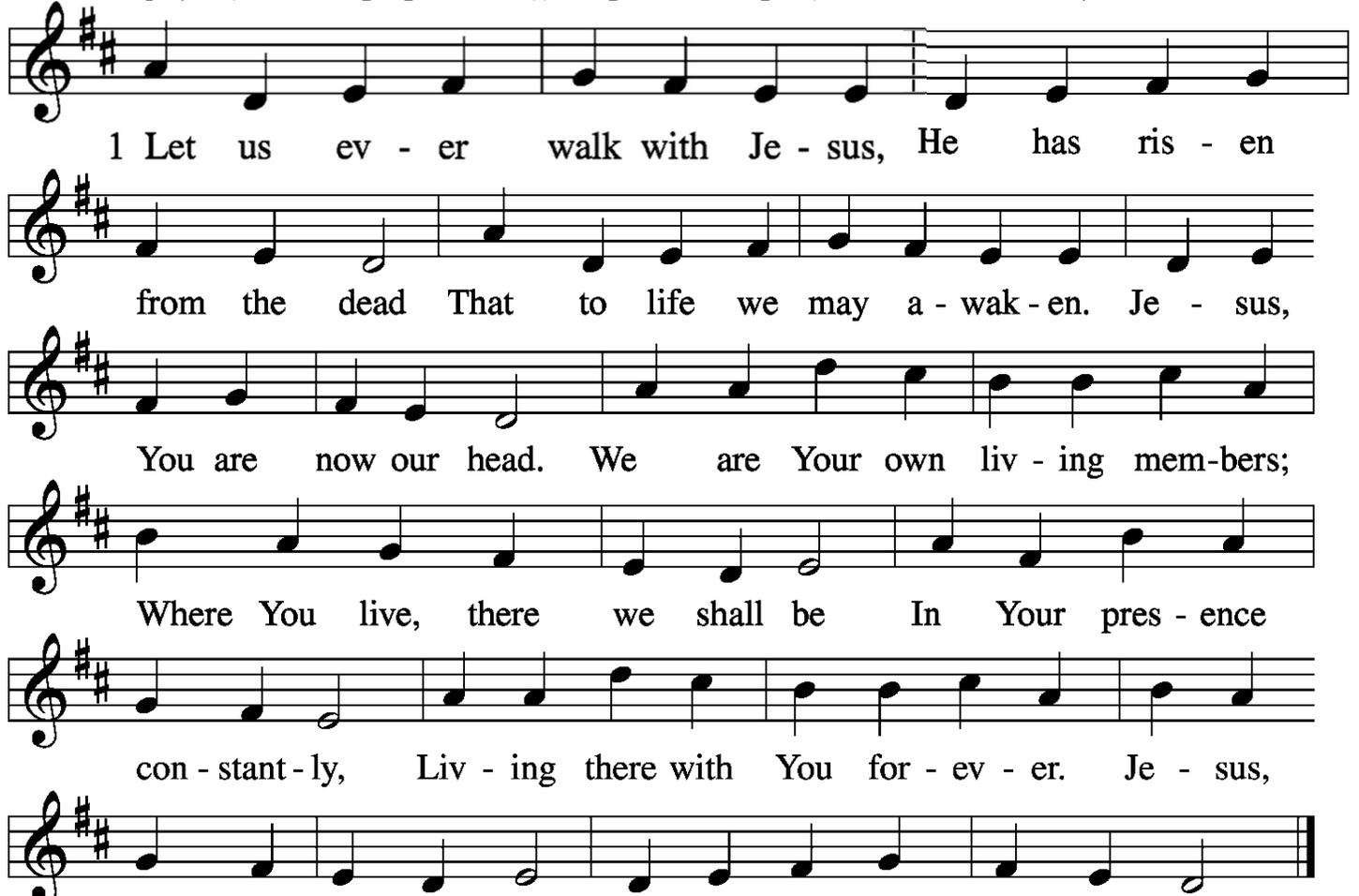
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In Him there is no dark - ness at all.



**Offertory** (we join in singing as the offerings are brought forward to the altar) LSB 685, st. 4 alt.



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, He has ris - en  
from the dead That to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus,  
You are now our head. We are Your own liv - ing mem - bers;  
Where You live, there we shall be In Your pres - ence  
con - stant - ly, Liv - ing there with You for - ev - er. Je - sus,  
let me faith - ful be, Life e - ter - nal grant to me.

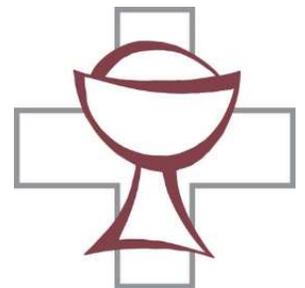
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**Prayers**

**The Lord's Supper: What We Believe**

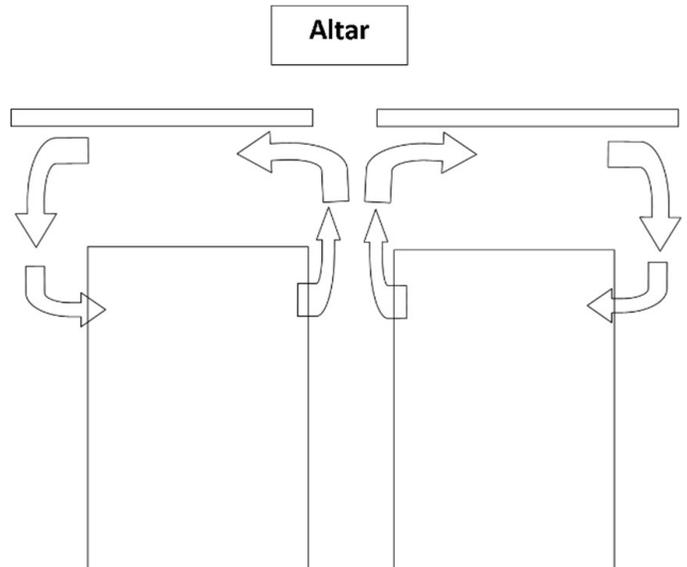
All Christians who are baptized and have been instructed  
are invited to receive Communion with us  
if you believe as we do—that the bread is the body of Christ,  
and the wine is the blood of Christ,  
truly present for us for the forgiveness of our sins.

If this is a new teaching to you, or if this is different than you believe,  
we ask that you wait to commune until we've had a further chance to talk. We invite  
those who are not communing to come to the rail, cross your arms, and receive a blessing  
from the Lord.



## **Communion Distribution**

- Pastor distributes the bread, and the Elders distribute the wine. The individual trays also contain alcohol-removed wine in the center of each tray in the purple cups.
- Each side will be ushered from the center aisle to the communion rail, row by row, starting with the front.
- Go to the rail on your side of the sanctuary, filling in starting with the outside wall towards the center.
- Once you have received the elements, you may remain at the rail for prayer and leave at your own pace.
- Return to your seat using the outside aisle.



## **Preparation for the Lord's Supper**

Liturgy based on 1 Corinthians 10:16-17, 11:26-28, 15:22-23

P: Test your hearts. Recognize that you are sinners in need of God's mercy and forgiveness. And when you have recognized your sin, then eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body of Christ in the meal, eats and drinks judgment on himself, guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: The cup of blessing we bless now

**C: is a sharing in the blood of Christ.**

P: The bread that we break

**C: is a sharing in the body of Christ.**

P: Since through man's sin came death,

**C: Therefore through a man comes the resurrection of the dead.**

P: Since all die because we are Adam's offspring,

**C: Therefore also in Christ all will be made alive.**

P: Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body,

**C: for we all share the one bread.**

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

LSB 209

P: Father, in Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him. We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

C: *Amen.*

## **The Lord's Prayer**

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

***All: 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**

### ***Pax Domini (The Peace of the Lord)***

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.      C: ***And also with you.***

(We greet one another in peace saying “God’s peace” or “The Lord be with you.”)

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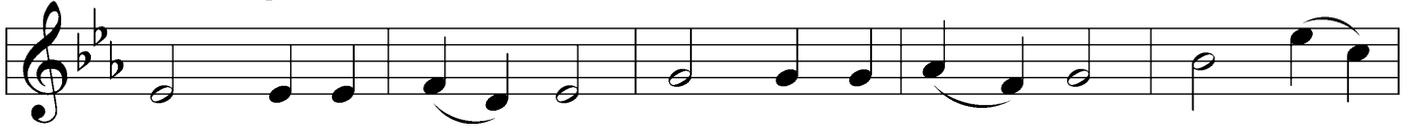
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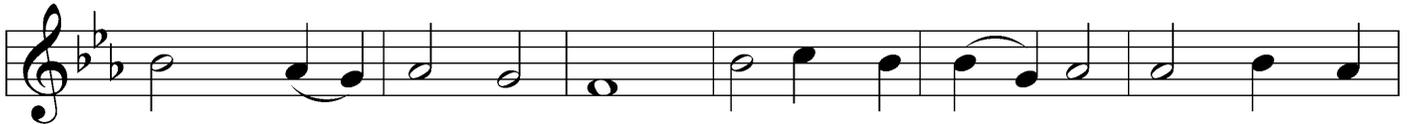
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**Distribution Hymn****Beautiful Savior**

LSB 537



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion, Son of  
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, Fair are the wood - lands, Robed in  
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, Fair is the moon - light, Bright the  
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions, Son of



God and Son of Man! Tru - ly I'd love Thee, Tru - ly I'd  
 flow'rs of bloom - ing spring; Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is  
 spar - kling stars on high; Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines  
 God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, Praise, ad - o -



serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
 pur - er, He makes our sor - r'wing spir - it sing.  
 pur - er Than all the an - gels in the sky.  
 ra - tion Now and for - ev - er - more be Thine!

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**Common Dismissal**

P: Now may this true body and true blood of our Lord... **C: Amen.**

**Post-Communion Prayer**

LSB 212

P: Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness 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 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.

**C: Amen.**

**Benediction (Blessing)** (Based on 1 Corinthians 1:5,7-9 & 16:23)

P: “In Christ Jesus you have been enriched in every way—in all your speaking and in all your knowledge. Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. He will keep you strong to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: **God, who has called us into fellowship with His Son Jesus Christ, is faithful.”**

P: The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you.

C: **Amen.**

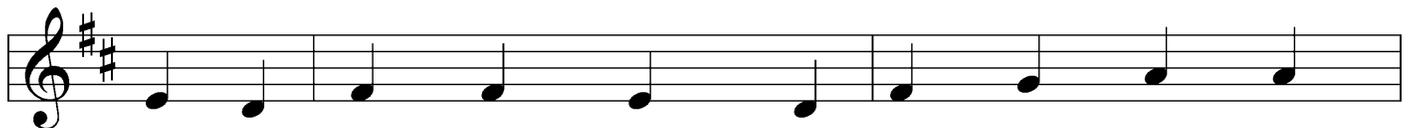
**Closing Hymn**

**O God of Love, O King of Peace**

LSB 751



1 O God of love, O King of peace, Make wars through -  
2 Re - mem - ber, Lord, Thy works of old, The won - ders  
3 Whom shall we trust but Thee, O Lord? Where rest but  
4 Where saints and an - gels dwell a - bove, All hearts are



out the world to cease; The rage of na - tions  
that Thy peo - ple told; Re - mem - ber not our  
on Thy faith - ful Word? None ev - er called on  
knit in ho - ly love; O bind us in that



now re - strain: Give peace, O God, give peace a - gain!  
sins' dark stain: Give peace, O God, give peace a - gain!  
Thee in vain: Give peace, O God, give peace a - gain!  
heav'n - ly chain: Give peace, O God, give peace a - gain!

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