

**THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**October 16, 2022**

**10:00 a.m.**



***The Faithful Conversation***

**AS WE GATHER**

How shall we pray? That question is the focus of today's Readings. With Jacob as a model, our prayer might seem to be a struggle with God's will. And Jesus' parable teaches that prayer is a long-term effort. But prayer is more than a monologue; the Epistle reminds us that God started the conversation with His Word. The Spirit has used Word and Sacrament to awaken and guide our faith. Within that relationship, prayer is a conversation begun by God and continued each day. In worship, we do that with our brothers and sisters in Christ, moving from individual concerns to those of the Body of Christ, the Church. And in worship, we take the time to listen as God accuses and then excuses us by grace for Jesus' sake. So let us pray and worship together.

## **PRELUDE**

“Beautiful Savior” –Arr. by Diane Bish

## **PASTORAL WELCOME**

### **OPENING PRAYER**

Pastor: Lord, Your son taught us to pray and to never lose heart. But frankly God there are times that wear us down and we feel fainthearted. We feel weary and close to giving up. There are times Lord we lose hope and give up. It is times like these that we need your spirit to lead us to hold each other up in prayer. It is times like these that we need your spirit to lead us to encourage one another. It is times like these that we need to be there for one another. It is times like these that we need to cry out to You for those in need. But God it is not just for those in need, it is also for justice that we cry out. We plea for those who can not speak up for themselves. We seek peace with justice for those who need both. We thank you for your justice at work in this world. We thank you for hearing our prayers and answering them. We thank you for your showing concern and protection. We thank you for your mercy that you pour out with your justice by sending your son to pay the price and forgive us all. We thank you for again and again hearing and responding to our needs with his body and blood. In Jesus name. Amen.

### **OPENING HYMN**

“Thy Word Is a Lamp” **AGPS #247, St. 1-4**

**CHORUS** Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. (repeat)

- 1. When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still You're there right beside me, And nothing will I fear as long as You are near. Please be near me to the end. CHORUS**
- 2. Now I will not forget Your love for me and yet my heart forever is wandering. Jesus, be my guide and hold me to Your side, and I will love You to the end. CHORUS**

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## **CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION**

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*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**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.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

**INTROIT** (*Read responsively*) Ps. 74:18–19, 21, 20a, 22a; antiphon: Ps. 74:2a

Remember your congregation, which you have purchased of old,  
**which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your heritage!**

Remember this, O LORD, how the enemy scoffs,  
**and a foolish people reviles your name.**

Do not deliver the soul of your dove to the wild beasts;  
**do not forget the life of your poor forever.**

Let not the downtrodden turn back in shame;  
**let the poor and needy praise your name.**

Have regard for the covenant,  
**Arise, O God, defend your cause.**

**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.**

Remember your congregation, which you have purchased of old,  
**which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your heritage!**

**GLORIA PATRI** (*Sing*)

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**C 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.**

**KYRIE** (*Sing*)

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**C Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** (*Sing*)

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**P** Glory be to God on High,

**C** and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

**We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee.**

**we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.**

**O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away  
the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have  
mercy upon us.  
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.  
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the  
glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

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**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And with thy spirit.**

**P** Let us pray.

O Lord, almighty and everlasting God, You have commanded us to pray and have promised to hear us. Mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may direct and govern our hearts in all things that we may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Genesis 32:22–30*

<sup>22</sup>The same night [Jacob] arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. <sup>23</sup>He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. <sup>24</sup>And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. <sup>25</sup>When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. <sup>26</sup>Then he said, "Let me go, for the day has broken." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." <sup>27</sup>And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." <sup>28</sup>Then he said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have

prevailed.” <sup>29</sup>Then Jacob asked him, “Please tell me your name.” But he said, “Why is it that you ask my name?” And there he blessed him. <sup>30</sup>So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, “For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE READING**

*2 Timothy 3:14—4:5*

<sup>14</sup>As for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it <sup>15</sup>and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup>All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup>that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.

<sup>4:1</sup>I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: <sup>2</sup>preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. <sup>3</sup>For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, <sup>4</sup>and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. <sup>5</sup>As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **SPECIAL MUSIC**

### **ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

**C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

### **HOLY GOSPEL**

*Luke 18:1–8*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighteenth chapter.

## **C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus] told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. <sup>2</sup>He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. <sup>3</sup>And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, 'Give me justice against my adversary.' <sup>4</sup>For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear God nor respect man, <sup>5</sup>yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.'" <sup>6</sup>And the Lord said, "Hear what the unrighteous judge says. <sup>7</sup>And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

## **C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

### **NICENE CREED**

**C 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 Spirit 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 sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,**

**Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in 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.**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**      “In Holy Conversation” **LSB #, St. 772, St. 1-3**

- 1**    In holy conversation We speak to God in prayer,  
And at His invitation Our deepest thoughts we share.  
We come, His will obeying, As children bringing needs;  
And to support our praying, His Spirit intercedes.
- 2**    These holy conversations Begin in child-like ways;  
We bring our supplications And words of thanks and praise.  
With care our Father listens To ev’ry thought expressed,  
Then answers our petitions In ways He knows are best.
- 3**    As holy conversation, In silence or by word,  
In ev’ry situation Through Jesus, we are heard.  
So let us pray securely, Expressing hopes and fears  
With confidence that surely Our Father ever hears.

**SERMON**                      **Pray and Do not Lose Heart**

*Luke 18:1–8*

**OFFERTORY**

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**C** 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. Amen.

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** (*Congregation response to petitions:  
Hear our prayer.*)



## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

### PREFACE

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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 to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

### **SANCTUS** *(Sing)*

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**C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He, that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

### LORD'S PRAYER

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**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. Amen.**

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

### PAX DOMINI

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

**C** Amen.

### AGNUS DEI *(Sing)*

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**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.

### DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

(Piano Solo)

“Father, Most Holy”

“I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table” -LSB #618, St. 1-5

**1** I come, O Savior, to Thy table, For weak and weary is my soul;  
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able To satisfy and make me whole: Refrain.

#### *Refrain*

Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good!

**2** Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning That sinners may salvation see who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning; So I, a sinner, come to Thee. Refrain.

**3** Unworthy though I am, O Savior, Because I have a sinful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never, For Thou my faithful shepherd art: Refrain.

- 4 **Weary am I and heavy laden; With sin my soul is sore  
oppressed; Receive me graciously and gladden My heart, for I  
am now Thy guest. Refrain.**
- 5 **What higher gift can we inherit? It is faith's bond and solid  
base; It is the strength of heart and spirit, The covenant of  
hope and grace. Refrain.**

**"Hear Us, Father, When We Pray" LSB #773, St. 1 & 4**

- 1 **Hear us, Father, when we pray, Through Your Son and in Your  
Spirit. By Your Spirit's Word convey All that we through  
Christ inherit, that as baptized heirs we may truly pray.**
- 4 **By Your Spirit now attend To our prayers and supplications,  
As like incense they ascend To Your heav'nly habitations.  
May their fragrance waft above, God of love.**

## **NUNC DIMITTIS**

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**C 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.**

## **THANKSGIVING**

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

**C and His mercy endureth forever.**

**P Let us pray.**

**P We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed  
us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your  
mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward  
You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus**

Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

## **SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS**

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**P The Lord be with you.**

**C And with thy spirit.**

**P Bless we the Lord.**

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **CLOSING HYMN**

“Reformation Song”

**VERSE 1 Your Word alone is solid ground, The mighty rock on which we build; In every line the truth is found And every page with glory filled. Chorus**

**VERSE 2 Through faith alone we come to You; We have no merit we can claim. Sure that Your promises are true, We place our hope in Jesus’ name. Chorus**

**CHORUS Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone;  
Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.**

**VERSE 3 In Christ alone we’re justified; His righteousness is all our plea; Your law’s demands are satisfied; His perfect work has set us free. Chorus**

**VERSE 4 By grace alone we have been saved; All that we are has come from You. Hearts that were once by sin enslaved Now by Your pow’r have been made new. Chorus**

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**New Sunday Bible Study: The Gospel of John.** Join us on Sundays at 8:30am in Fellowship Hall as we continue to read and study John's Gospel together.

**New Member Class: Being Beautiful Savior.** For all those interested in knowing more about our church, who we are, what we do, and what it means to be a Lutheran Christian here at Beautiful Savior. We encourage all interested to stay for the class as we begin by talking about the mission and history of our congregation on Sunday Oct. 30th.

**Psalms and Sandwiches:** Join us for our next class on October 26th as we continue to study the Book of Psalms while sharing a meal. We begin at 12:30pm and will be gathering at \_\_\_\_\_.

**Beautiful Savior Fall Festival:** Sat. October 29th from 4:30-6:30pm. We will be welcoming our church members, families, and our community to come for Food, Fun, Trunk-Or-Treating, Pumpkin Painting and more, but we need your help to make it happen. Sign up in fellowship Hall to be a part of the fun.

**Joint Congregation Pastoral Appreciation Event:** Sunday November 6th at 3:00pm. In celebration of our work together and to show thanks for all that Pastor Friedrich, Pastor Anderson, and Pastor Zoller do to bring Christ to the people of both Mountain View and Beautiful Savior, Mountain View is inviting us all to a Pastor Appreciation Dinner on Sunday Nov. 6th. Sign up in Fellowship Hall if interested in attending.

**Caledonian Society Highland Games at Beautiful Savior:** On Sunday Nov. 13th, the Caledonian Society will be having their fall games in celebration of Veterans day here on the Beautiful Savior field. In lue of Bible Study that morning all are invited for the

opening ceremonies and prayer before worship at 8:30am. More information is coming soon.

Church Members and others who wish to “give electronically” can now do so by going to: [easytithe.com/BSLCTempe](http://easytithe.com/BSLCTempe).

On the giving page, click on "Fund" and select the appropriate fund from the drop-down list.

The funds are: General, LWML, Missions, Air Conditioners, and Memorial for Maebell Beard (active through September 30).

Then follow the directions to complete your transaction.

## POSTLUDE

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## SERVING US AT WORSHIP TODAY:

Officiant Preacher:	Rev. Tim Anderson
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Greeters:	Kathy Held
Acolyte:	Joe Carlin
Altar Care:	Pat Carlin

Visitors, please sign (with a complete address) our **Guest Book** on the podium in the entryway before you leave and/or complete a **grey/cream “Worship Information” card** found in the pew in front of you. Members are also encouraged to complete a “Worship

Information” card (you can update address and phone number, request a pastoral visit)

**Pastor Tim Anderson** is available to you for pastoral and spiritual needs (prayer support, hospital calls, counseling, private communion, etc). He can be reached at the office Monday & Wednesday, 9 AM – 2 PM. Cell phone #480-536-2256.

**WE CAN ASSIST THOSE UNABLE TO HEAR WELL...We have 3 cordless headsets available to use in the pews. Just let an usher know and they will be happy to bring you one.**

**Attendance for 10-9-22 week Bible Study—10; Worship Service—40; Psalms & Sandwiches Bible Study—NA.**

**Income report for 10-9-22: Loose Plate \$50; Weekly Envelopes \$1762; Designated Gifts \$124; Other \$; Total \$1936.**

## **THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR**

### **October 16, Sunday**

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM Music Rehearsal

**10 AM Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost– w/Holy Communion**

*(Also, being streamed on Facebook online)*

11:30 AM Board of Trustees Meeting

### **October 17, Monday**

**9AM-3 PM Pastor Tim in the office**

### **October 19, Wednesday**

**9AM-3 PM Pastor Tim in the office**

5 PM Council Meeting

### **October 20, Thursday**

4-5 PM Set up and La Mesa is from 6-7:30 PM

### **October 21, Friday**

9-11 AM Church & Offices cleaned

### **October 23, Sunday**

**10 AM The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost Worship  
After Worship: Congregation Quarterly Voters' Meeting**

**Prayer List:**

We pray for strength, comfort and healing for: -

**-Barbara Willford, Cherryl Rice, Wendy Sievers, Glenn Brown, Lois Sunderman, Bob Diepenbrock, Bev Dase, Dylan and Miles** recovering from medical issues.

**-Blue Sky Kruck** - hip surgery.

**-Doris Reith and Len Lacy** - memory care.

**-Lucy Durham, Beth Hutson, Jim Schutkowski, Sherry Ellis, Gerri Koski, Warren,** - chemo treatment.

**-Ellie** – heart Surgery. Shirley Wilson, awaiting Gallbladder removal surgery

**-Larry, Bobbie's friend** – recovering from neck surgery.

**-Ashley Conley's stepfather** in hospital – colovestical fistula.

**-Larry, Don & Phyllis' brother-in-law** – in hospice.

**-Trish Hiles,** leader of cruise to the Holy Land, was assaulted in daylight at a Walmart in AZ, they took her purse w/keys, credit cards/license.

**FOR AT HOME WORSHIPERS WHO STILL VIEW SERVICES  
ONLINE INSTRUCTIONS ARE BELOW:**

**SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE YOU CAN GO ONLINE & VIEW AT**

**1) Open a webpage browser (internet explorer, chrome, Firefox, etc.)**

**2) Type or paste the following link into your address bar:**

**[www.facebook.com/BeautifulSaviorLutheranChurchTempe/](http://www.facebook.com/BeautifulSaviorLutheranChurchTempe/)**

**3) Option 1 - Scroll until you find a post that shows a “Live” feed titled for the Sunday service, or**

**4) Option 2 - Click on the “Videos” button on the left-hand sidebar (ignore anything asking you to sign up or sign in to Facebook)**

**5) Look for the video titled for the date of the Sunday service. Video stream will be live starting at or around 10am. If it does not show up, try refreshing the page. The video of the service will remain on the page if you would like to view it at a later time, or to replay it again at your discretion.**



**Lutheran Hour Broadcast - KFAX RADIO (1100) @ 10 AM:**

October 23 "**He Gets Me**" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. It might sound strange to regard God as a friend, and the more fear, awe, and respect you have for God, the stranger it gets. (Luke 18:9-14)

## **HOLY COMMUNION. . .OUR UNDERSTANDING**



*It is the special joy of the baptized and instructed Christian to celebrate Christ in our very midst with the Sacrament of the Altar (Holy Communion). The Scripture clearly and carefully teaches that, in Holy Communion, the very Body and the very Blood of our Lord*

*Jesus are really present in, with, and under the forms of bread and wine. It also teaches that "A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord (acknowledging the Real Presence of Jesus with the elements) eats and drinks judgment on himself." (1 Corinthians 11:28-29).*

*Communicants, then, are rightfully prepared and "worthy" when they:*

- *are truly penitent of their sins;*
- *even now embrace Jesus as their Savior and recognize His Real Presence in the bread and the wine; and*
- *seek to amend their sinful lives, with the assistance of this Meal and the power of the Holy Spirit.*

***If you have any further questions, please speak with the Pastor before the service.***

*Other notes on the distribution of Holy Communion:*

- *1) Wine is the Biblical standard for all communicants. However, grape juice is in some glasses and available in the center of each tray for those who have an intolerance to alcohol.*
- *2) The Blood of Christ, in, with and under the wine, is served in individual glasses and common cup. Please choose you preference..*
- *3) Children and adults not instructed or confirmed are still encouraged to approach The Table to receive a blessing.*