

# January 28, 2023: Christian Education Week

**MISSION: Teach These Truths to Your Children**

## Psalm 27 We Are Singing

*The choir will sing the refrain and verse 1.*

*After verse 1, the congregation joins to sing the refrain and remaining verses.*

### Refrain

We are sing - ing, for the LORD is our light, we are  
sing-ing, for the LORD is our light. We are sing - ing, for the  
LORD is our light, we are sing-ing, for the LORD is our light.  
We are sing-ing, oh, we are sing-ing, for the  
LORD is our light. We are sing-ing,  
oh, we are sing-ing, for the LORD is our light. (Last time)

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Verses



The LORD is the strength of our lives; of  
One thing have we asked of the LORD, yes,  
When bur - dens are heav - y to bear, our  
We walk in the strength of the LORD; God's



whom shall we be a - fraid? Though foes may be  
this is the thing we seek: to dwell in the  
shel - ter is God a - lone. Our feet are \_\_\_  
love \_\_\_ is ev - er sure. We shout that the



near to de - stroy, the LORD will be our light.  
house of the LORD, to live with God for - ev - er.  
lift - ed high, yes, high up - on a rock.  
world \_ may hear; we sing a joy - ful song.

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## (Monday) Hymn: 758 Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds

Stand

### Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

### Confession and Absolution

We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

**Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

**Amen.**

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## **Lord, Have Mercy**

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**Amen.**

# Glory Be to God

CW 1008

Tune: NETTLETON



1 Glo - ry be to God in heav - en, peace to those he loves so  
2 On - ly Son of God the Fa - ther, Lamb who takes our sin a -



well. On the earth let all his peo - ple speak his  
way, now with him in tri - umph seat - ed - for your



grace, his won - ders tell: Lord, we praise you for your  
mer - cy, Lord, we pray: Je - sus Christ, most high and



glo - ry, might - y Fa - ther, heav - en's King; hear our  
ho - ly, Sav - ior, you are God a - lone in the



joy - ful ad - o - ra - tion and ac - cept the thanks we bring.  
glo - ry of the Fa - ther with the Spir - it, Three in One!

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## The Word

### Salutation

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, you took little children into your arms and blessed them. Move us to love and protect the children committed to our care, that by word and example, we bring them to you and teach them to know you, love you, and trust in your protection; you live and reign, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

## First Reading

*Deuteronomy 6:4–9*

<sup>4</sup>Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. <sup>5</sup>Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. <sup>6</sup>These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. <sup>7</sup>Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. <sup>8</sup>Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. <sup>9</sup>Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Sunday: Jesus, Teach Me

*8 AM: 6,7 Choir*

*10:30 AM: 5,8 Choir*

## Second Reading

*2 Timothy 3:14–17*

<sup>14</sup>But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, <sup>15</sup>and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup>All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup>so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Stand

## Gospel Acclamation

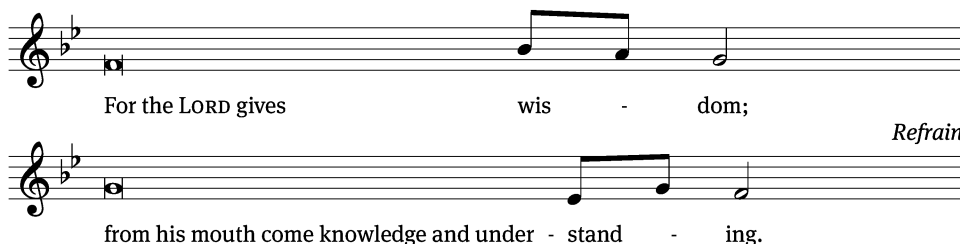
Proverbs 2:6



Refrain



Tone



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## Gospel

Matthew 18:1–5

<sup>1</sup>At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, “Who, then, is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?”

<sup>2</sup>He called a little child to him, and placed the child among them. <sup>3</sup>And he said: “Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. <sup>4</sup>Therefore, whoever takes the lowly position of this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>5</sup>And whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

Be seated

## **Hymn of the Day: 877 Reformation Song**

*The children are invited forward during verse 2 for a children's lesson.*

*Sunday- The choir will sing verses 1 and 2 with refrain.*

*The congregation will sing verses 3 and 4 with refrain.*

## **(Monday): 824 This Is the Threefold Truth**

*The children are invited forward during verse 3 for a children's lesson.*

**Sermon:** Deuteronomy 6:4-9; 2Timothy 3:14-17; Matthew 18:1-5 Pastor Tim Priewe

*Stand*

## **Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.**

**The third day he rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Be seated*

## **Prayer of the Church**

*Brief intercessory prayers may be added in a fitting place.*

Eternal Lord, give us peace as we ponder the good news that you forgive our sins in Christ. Lead us to see clearly the path you have laid out for us.

**Work in us so that we believe and live the Word we have heard today.**

Guard and guide the families of our congregation. Lead husbands and wives to love each other with commitment, respect, and patience. Help parents to grasp the eternal value of keeping their children close to Jesus all their lives. Grant joy to those who are single, and make them a blessing to others.

**Protect us from the temptations that surround us; give us pure hearts and minds.**

Provide wisdom and insight to those who make laws and set policies. Give us respect for those who protect us from crime. Lead us to value the rights of our fellow citizens and to defend those who cannot defend themselves.

**Bless our land with peace and prosperity so that the gospel may be proclaimed to all.**

Give us passion to share the story of your love with our family and friends. Overcome unbelief, and open the hearts of people everywhere to believe the good news that Jesus has forgiven their sins and opened the gates of heaven.

**Fill us with joy over every sinner who repents and comes to trust in you.**

Extend your healing power to those who are sick and suffering in body or mind. Give patience and compassion to all who care for the sick and dying.

**Lift the eyes of the distressed to your love in Christ.**

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

*Silent prayer*



Gracious God, you govern and direct all things and you love all people. Hear our prayers, spoken and silent, and answer them in your wisdom and grace.

**In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

## **Offering**

**(Sunday): The Church's One Foundation**

*Handchimes*

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**Hymn: 679 God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It**

## **Closing Prayer**

Almighty God, you have committed to your church the task of making disciples of all nations. Enlighten with your wisdom those who teach and those who learn, that, rejoicing in the knowledge of your truth, they may worship and serve you from generation to generation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

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**For thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## **Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

**Amen.**

**Presiding Minister:**

*Pastor Joe Gawel*

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*Klint Kaddatz*

**Student Instrumentalists:**

*Dylan Pastorek, Alyssa and Natalie Vanderhoof,  
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Josiah and Sam Schaefer, Silas Jaeger*

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*8:00AM-Dylan Pastorek, Linnea Needham,  
Abby Stacy-Kaddatz, Lucy Bixby*

*10:30AM- Lucy Jaeger, Kailah Daily,  
Alyssa Vanderhoof, Louisa Falck*

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