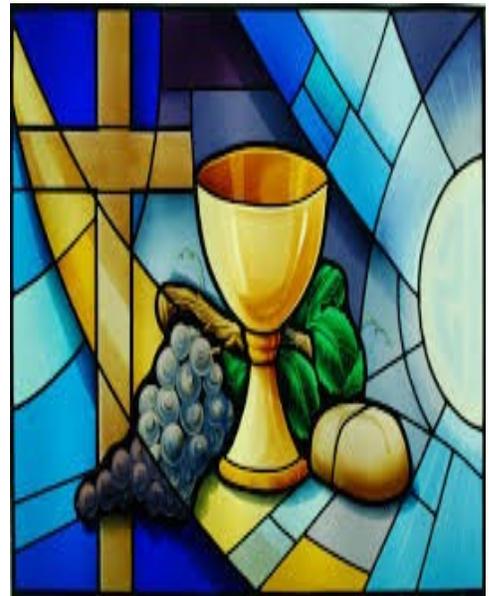


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SANCTUS — HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

The final words of the Proper Preface remind us that in the Divine Service, we stand together “with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven.” So it is quite appropriate to sing their song of praise!

The **Sanctus** is based on the song of the angelic seraphim that Isaiah saw flying around the throne of God in heaven (Isaiah 6: 1-3). Isaiah received his vision while he was in the temple. God was showing him the heavenly worship that goes on invisibly during our earthly worship. The threefold “Holy, holy, holy” reminds us that the God of the Old Testament is our triune God. Jesus says that Isaiah saw *His* glory (John 12:41).

When John is granted a vision of heaven on the Lord’s day, he also sees the angels singing “Holy, holy, holy” (Revelation 4: 8). Again, we learn that our worship is joined to the worship of heaven. For both “heaven and earth” are full of God’s glory.

The second part of the Sanctus quotes the words of the crowd praising Jesus during His triumphant entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday: “Hosanna . . .

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord” (Matthew 21: 9). The crowds were singing Psalm 118: 25-26 and recognized that Jesus fulfilled it that day. We sing it in the liturgy to acknowledge that Jesus comes to us in His body and blood to bring us salvation.

The Jews sang the Sanctus in temple and synagogue worship. Its appearance in John’s Revelation suggests that Christians might have been singing it already in the first century. The Sanctus is surely one of the oldest and most profound parts of the liturgy.

~taken from Lutheranism 101: Worship (Concordia Publishing House, St. Louis, MO) 2017, pg. 100.

MISSION PROJECTS

Since we have not been able to meet for adult Bible study on Sunday mornings, our opportunities to donate to Peoples City Mission, the seminary in the Dominican Republic, and our own youth at Good Shepherd have not been available. If you would like to support any of these projects, you may bring to church or send by mail your donations (please designate which project) and we will see that your donation is sent to the appropriate organization. Thanks!

Dear Members of Good Shepherd Lutheran,

Greetings in the name of our Risen Savior, Jesus Christ! I am overjoyed and honored to have been extended the privilege of being assigned my vicarage at Good Shepherd. Since it has pleased Almighty God, through the work of the Vicarage Placement office to send me to your congregation to complete the next step in my formation as a pastor of Christ's Church, I with great joy and happiness accept my assignment to be your new vicar.

My effective starting date will be July 15, 2020, where I will shadow Vicar Golden for a few weeks. My official start date will be August 1, 2020. We are planning to move to Lincoln in early-to-mid-June; I will supply you with further details once more firm plans have been put into place. . .

I have been happily married to my wife, Amy, for almost 5 years (our anniversary is September 19th). Amy's home town is Lincoln and we met while attending Wayne State College. She has a degree in Early Childhood and has years of experience working with kids. We have one daughter, Winry (pronounce WIN-ree), who will be 1 year this August 23! She is a happy, bubbly baby who puts a smile on everyone's face. She is a blessing.

We are looking forward to being back in Nebraska. My prayer is that the Lord will bless our work together to His Glory!

Yours in Christ,

Timothy D. Steele II



PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK

- **All** who are battling the coronavirus and the families of those who have died from the virus, families who are struggling with issues of childcare, lost income, postponed events, etc.
- **Ron & Janet Amack**, with severe memory issues (Janet) and medical issues (Ron)
- **The family of Norma Muth**, who was taken to her eternal home on Saturday, May 2nd.
- **David Montgomery**, friend of Bob Van Valkenburg, battling cancer.
- **Sheldon Wolff, age 15**, waiting for a double lung transplant.
- **Barb Poppe**, with short-term memory issues.
- **The family of Michael, nephew of Joe Velasquez**, who was taken to his eternal home.
- **Jan Poppe**, sister-in-law of Pastor Poppe, recovering from knee surgery.
- **Marge Kelly**, recovering at The Legacy.
- **Jerry**, the uncle of the daughter-in-law of Terry Princ, hospitalized with the Covid-19 virus at age 80.
- **Shane Mackavicka**, friend of Gary & Debra Baker, self-quarantined with Covid 19.
- Thanksgiving for the birth (5/1/20) and baptism (5/17/20) of **Langdon Jonathan Malecha**, son of Jon & Lorena Malecha.

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STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: James 1: 22 — "But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves." The Word of God is not merely to be heard, but to be received and believed. Our faith is implanted and strengthened by the Word of God. And as Luther said, "Oh, it is a living, busy, active, mighty thing, this faith. And so, it is impossible for it not to do good works incessantly." James reminds us of this — and encourages us to examine our lives and come to repentance where we can see that we are not living out our faith in sincerity.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEK (May 17— May 23):

People celebrating birthdays are:

Landon Fisser	Joseph Klutz
Grace Macklin	Lori Reinke
Jessica Burow	Greg Kurtzer
Corby Stolcpart	

Couples celebrating anniversaries are:

Pastor Chris & Bethany Maronde

LIFE MOMENT: Paul encourages Timothy, "Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus" (II Timothy 2: 3). Sharing in the suffering of Christ sometimes comes when we share Christ and apply His Word of Life to spiritual issues that are also controversial. But faithfulness to the truth means to "Endure everything for the sake of the elect" (2: 10).

MAY CHURCH SERVICES

Holy Communion will be offered at all services during the month of May. Our services are at 8 am and 10:30 am on Sundays and 6:30 pm on Wednesdays. In order to maintain safe distancing and to be prepared for your attendance, we ask that you pre-register for your service of choice at our website www.goodshepherdlincoln.org.

U.S. CITIZENSHIP QUIZ

12. Which of the following is not a branch of government?
- Executive
 - Legislative
 - Financial
 - Judicial
 - None of the above
13. What stops any one branch of government from becoming too powerful?
- Executive Orders
 - The United Nations
 - The National Security Agency
 - A system of checks and balances
 - Journalists and the national media

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION
WEEK OF MAY 10, 2020

WEEKLY BUDGET NEED
\$ 10,740.00

ATTENDANCE: 128

OFFERING: \$ 13,557.00

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14. Under our Constitution, some powers belong to the federal government, and some powers belong to the states. Which is not a power of the federal government?

- Print money
- Provide drivers' licenses
- Declare war
- Create an army
- Make treaties

15. Who was president during World War I?

- Woodrow Wilson
- Lyndon B. Johnson
- Richard Nixon
- Franklin D. Roosevelt
- George H. W. Bush

16. Who did the United States fight in World War II?

- Germany
- Japan
- Italy
- All of the above
- None of the above

17. How old must a citizen be to vote for President?

- 16, 17, 18, 21, 25

18. What is the economic system in the United States?

- Socialist
- Communist
- Capitalist
- Mercantilist
- Laissez-faire

19. Which state does not border Mexico?

- California
- Arizona
- Nevada
- New Mexico
- Texas

20. Which of the following is NOT an American Indian tribe in the United States?

- Cherokee
- Iroquios
- Sabine
- Sioux
- Apache

21. When is the last day you can send in federal income tax returns?

- January 1
- May 20
- December 31
- April 15
- July 4

22. What is the political party of the current president?

- Republican
- Democrat

23. What is the capital of the United States?

- Philadelphia, PA
- New York, NY
- Juneau, AK
- Annapolis, MD
- Washington, DC

24. What do the stripes on the American flag represent?

- The number of signatures on the Declaration of Independence
- The number of signatures on the Constitution
- The original 10 colonies
- Nothing
- The original 13 colonies

25. Which of the following is NOT a federal holiday?

- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Election Day
- Labor Day
- Veterans Day