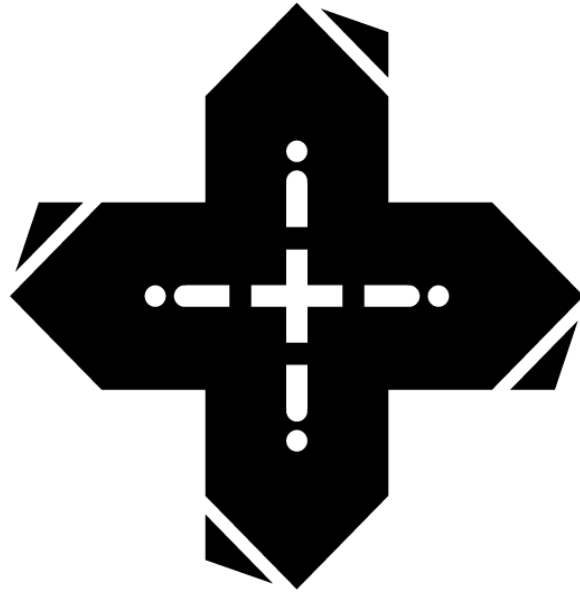


**Connecting Christ. Creating Community.**



**HUNTERSVILLE**  
*Lutheran Church*

**SUNDAYS AFTER PENTECOST**  
**06.06.21**



# Huntersville Lutheran

*A Changeless Message for  
A Changing Community*

Worshipping at the Seven Oaks 19725 Oak St. Cornelius, NC

Worship @ 9:30am

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**W**elcome! Thank you for joining us for worship this morning. Our service is centered on our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lived, died, and rose from the dead so that we would have eternal life in him. God reveals this soul saving message in his Word. We gather to find strength though God's powerful and holy Word. Take a few moments to familiarize yourself with the order of service, readings, and hymns, and fill out the take action card. May God bless our time together this morning.

## About Our Worship

The gospel is the good news about what Jesus did to be the Savior for sinners. It is also the power of God—the very thing he uses to work faith in our hearts and transform our lives. Therefore, gospel-centered worship places the gospel in central focus. This order of service is called the liturgy. In the message, in specially selected Scripture readings, and in carefully crafted songs, prayers, and creeds, the liturgy proclaims the good news about Jesus from start to finish. Gospel-centered worship is also designed to include the participation of the entire assembly (including children).

## For Your Convenience

**Restrooms** are located in the hallway at the rear of the building. Simply follow the arrows once you are in the hallway.

## Service Participants

Rev Doug Van Sice, *pastor of Huntersville Lutheran*  
Andrea Van Sice, *keyboardist*

# Service Notes | Sundays after Pentecost

For centuries, the Christian Church has worshiped according to the Church Year. The Church Year begins in December with the season of Advent. The first six months of the church year (December through May/June) follow the life of Christ from his birth until his suffering, death, and resurrection on Easter Sunday. Last Sunday, the Festival of the Holy Trinity marked the beginning of the second half of the church year. The second six months of the church year (June through November) follow the teachings of Christ.

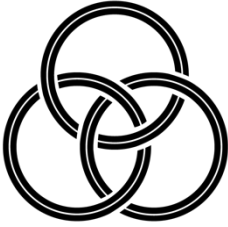
Over the next six weeks, the Sunday's readings are all connected by a theme of power. Jesus, the King of kings, is the almighty ruler of heaven and earth who, by his power defeated death, sin, and Satan for us. With that almighty power, he reigns Satan and his evil minions in. With that almighty power, he makes creation bend her knee and conquerors our greatest fears. With that almighty power, he sends his Spirit to plant faith in your heart. With that almighty power, he preserves your faith. With that almighty power, he sends you with his Word. With that almighty power, he gives his Word which you speak power to grow his kingdom. With that almighty power, he gives you the power to stand up to the Gospel's opposition, no matter what the cost.

Over these six weeks, we have the opportunity to marvel and glorify the Son of God for the power he wields to protect us, preserve us, send us, and grow us.

- Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup> Jesus has Power over Satan and Demons
- Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup> Jesus' Word has Power to Make the Kingdom Grow
- Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup> Jesus has Power over all Creation
- Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup> Jesus has Power over Death
- Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup> Jesus Gives Us Power Against Opposition
- Sunday, July 11<sup>th</sup> Jesus Sends His Workers with Power

## About Huntersville Lutheran

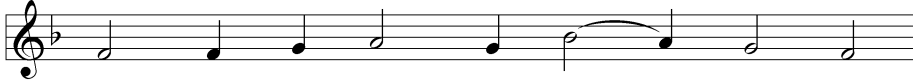
Huntersville Lutheran is a church that is waiting for you. We are supported by, and are members of, the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, a collection of over 1,300 churches across the United States and Canada. Our mission is to show you to the authentic Jesus, build you up in his Word, and connect you to your community and neighbors in ways you have never been able to before. For more information, check out [www.huntersvillelc.com](http://www.huntersvillelc.com).



# ORDER OF SERVICE

*From beginning to end, the Gospel—the good news of what Jesus did for sinners—is the central focus in our worship. In the message, in specially selected Scripture readings, and in carefully crafted songs, prayers, and creeds, the liturgy proclaims the good news about Jesus from start to finish. This is because the Gospel is the very thing that God uses to transform hearts and eternities, creating saving faith in the heart of the believer. God bless our worship this morning.*

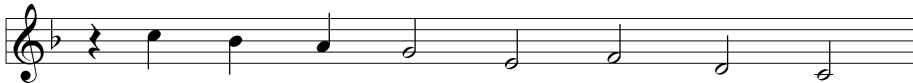
## Opening Hymn | *All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall* |



1 All man - kind fell in Ad - am's fall;  
2 Through all our pow'rs cor - rup - tion creeps  
3 From hearts de - praved, to e - vil prone,  
4 But Christ, the sec - ond Ad - am, came  
5 As by one man all man - kind fell



One com - mon sin in - fects us all.  
And us in dread - ful bond - age keeps;  
Flow thoughts and deeds of sin a - lone;  
To bear our sin and woe and shame,  
And, born in sin, was doomed to hell,



From one to all the curse de - scends,  
In guilt we draw our in - fant breath  
God's im - age lost, the dark - ened soul  
To be our life, our light, our way,  
So by one Man, who took our place,



And o - ver all God's wrath im - pends.  
And reap its fruits of woe and death.  
Nor seeks nor finds its heav'n - ly goal.  
Our on - ly hope, our on - ly stay,  
We all were jus - ti - fied by grace.

## Invocation

**L** In the name of the Father and of the Son  $\text{✝}$  and of the Holy Spirit.<sup>1</sup>

**C** Amen.

## Confession of Sins

**L** Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

**C** Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.

For faithless worrying and selfish pride,

For sins of habit and sins of choice,

For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,

You should cast me away from your presence forever.

O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

**L** Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. As a called servant of Christ, and by his authority, I say to you what God says to you:

Your sins are all forgiven in the name of the Father and of the Son  $\text{✝}$  and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

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<sup>1</sup> The name of the triune God and the sign of the cross remind worshippers of their baptisms.

## Lord, Have Mercy | *Kyrie*<sup>2</sup> |

**L** In peace, let us pray to the Lord

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

**C** Christ, have mercy.

**L** For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

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

**C** Amen.

## Glory be to God | *Gloria*<sup>3</sup> |

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| <p>1. All glory be to God on high!<br/>Your name, O Lord, we glorify;<br/>We praise you for your peace and grace,<br/>Your favor toward our fallen race.</p>     | <p>2. Our grateful thanks to you we bring,<br/>For your great glory, heav'nly King,<br/>For all, O Father, you have done<br/>Through Jesus Christ, your only Son</p> |
| <p>3. O Lamb of God, to you we pray.<br/>You take all human sin away.<br/>Have mercy, Lord; receive our prayer;<br/>From God's right hand, your mercy share.</p> | <p>4. You, Christ, are holy—Lord alone;<br/>The Father's glory you made known.<br/>We by your Spirit sing again:<br/>"All glory be to God!" Amen.</p>                |

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<sup>2</sup> The word *Kyrie* is a Greek word from the phrase *Kyrie Elieson* which means, "Lord, have mercy!" This is the most heartfelt cry of a believer to his Lord. It is not a cry for forgiveness, but a cry for mercy that our Lord and king hear us and help us in our necessities and trouble. This morning, may it be our heartfelt cry to our Lord and King.

<sup>3</sup> This ancient song of the church gets its name from its first few words in Latin: *Gloria in Excelsis Deo!* This was the greatest song of praise ever heard on earth. An angel choir sang it in the Judean sky the night Jesus was born (Luke 2:14). This song has been sung in Christian churches for 1500 years. As Martin Luther once said, "This ancient song did grow, nor was it made, but it came from heaven."



## THE WORD

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### Prayer of the Day

**L** Let us pray:

O God, the strength of all who trust in you, mercifully hear our prayers. Be gracious to us in our weakness and give us strength to keep your commandments in all we say and do; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### Children's Message

#### First Reading | *Genesis 3:8-15* |

<sup>8</sup> Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup> But the LORD God called to the man, "Where are you?"

<sup>10</sup> He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid."

<sup>11</sup> And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?"

<sup>12</sup> The man said, "The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it."

<sup>13</sup> Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?"

The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

<sup>14</sup> So the LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, "Cursed are you above all livestock and all wild animals!

You will crawl on your belly and you will eat dust all the days of your life.

<sup>15</sup> And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 51

**L** Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love.

**C** Wash away all my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

**L** For I know my transgressions,

**C** And my sin is always before me.

**L** Against you, you only, have I sinned

**C** And done what is evil in your sight.

**L** Surely I was sinful at birth,

**C** Sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

**L** Hide your face from my sins,

**C** And blot out all my iniquity.

**L** Restore to me the joy of your salvation,

**C** And grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

## Second Reading | *Revelation 20:1-6* |

And I saw an angel coming down out of heaven, having the key to the Abyss and holding in his hand a great chain. <sup>2</sup>He seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil, or Satan, and bound him for a thousand years. <sup>3</sup>He threw him into the Abyss, and locked and sealed it over him, to keep him from deceiving the nations anymore until the thousand years were ended. After that, he must be set free for a short time.

<sup>4</sup>I saw thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony about Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years. <sup>5</sup>(The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended.) This is the first resurrection. <sup>6</sup>Blessed and holy are those who share in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with him for a thousand years.

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.



## The Gospel

**L** The Gospel according to Mark, chapter three.

<sup>20</sup> Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. <sup>21</sup> When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, "He is out of his mind."

<sup>22</sup> And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, "He is possessed by Beelzebul! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons."

<sup>23</sup> So Jesus called them over to him and began to speak to them in parables: "How can Satan drive out Satan? <sup>24</sup> If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup> If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. <sup>26</sup> And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand; his end has come. <sup>27</sup> In fact, no one can enter a strong man's house without first tying him up. Then he can plunder the strong man's house. <sup>28</sup> Truly I tell you, people can be forgiven all their sins and every slander they utter, <sup>29</sup> but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven; they are guilty of an eternal sin."

<sup>30</sup> He said this because they were saying, "He has an impure spirit."

<sup>31</sup> Then Jesus' mother and brothers arrived. Standing outside, they sent someone in to call him. <sup>32</sup> A crowd was sitting around him, and they told him, "Your mother and brothers are outside looking for you."

<sup>33</sup> "Who are my mother and my brothers?" he asked.

<sup>34</sup> Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup> Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."

**L** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise be to you, O Christ.

## Hymn of the Day | *A Mighty Fortress is Our God* |



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a trust - y shield and  
2 With might of ours can naught be done; soon were our loss ef -  
3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill, all ea - ger to de -  
4 The Word they still shall let re - main, nor an - y thanks have



weap - on; he helps us free from ev - 'ry need that has us  
fect - ed. But for us fights the val - iant one whom God him -  
your us, we trem - ble not, we fear no ill; they shall not  
for it; he's by our side up - on the plain with his good



now o'er - tak - en. The an - cient e - vil foe now  
self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be? Christ  
o - ver - pow'r us. The prince of dark - ness still may  
gifts and Spir - it. And should they take our life, goods,



means to work us woe; deep guile and aw - ful might are  
Je - sus, it is he, the Lord of Hosts his name, from  
scowl fierce as he will, his rag - ing harms us none. He's  
hon - or, child, and wife— though all of these be gone, our

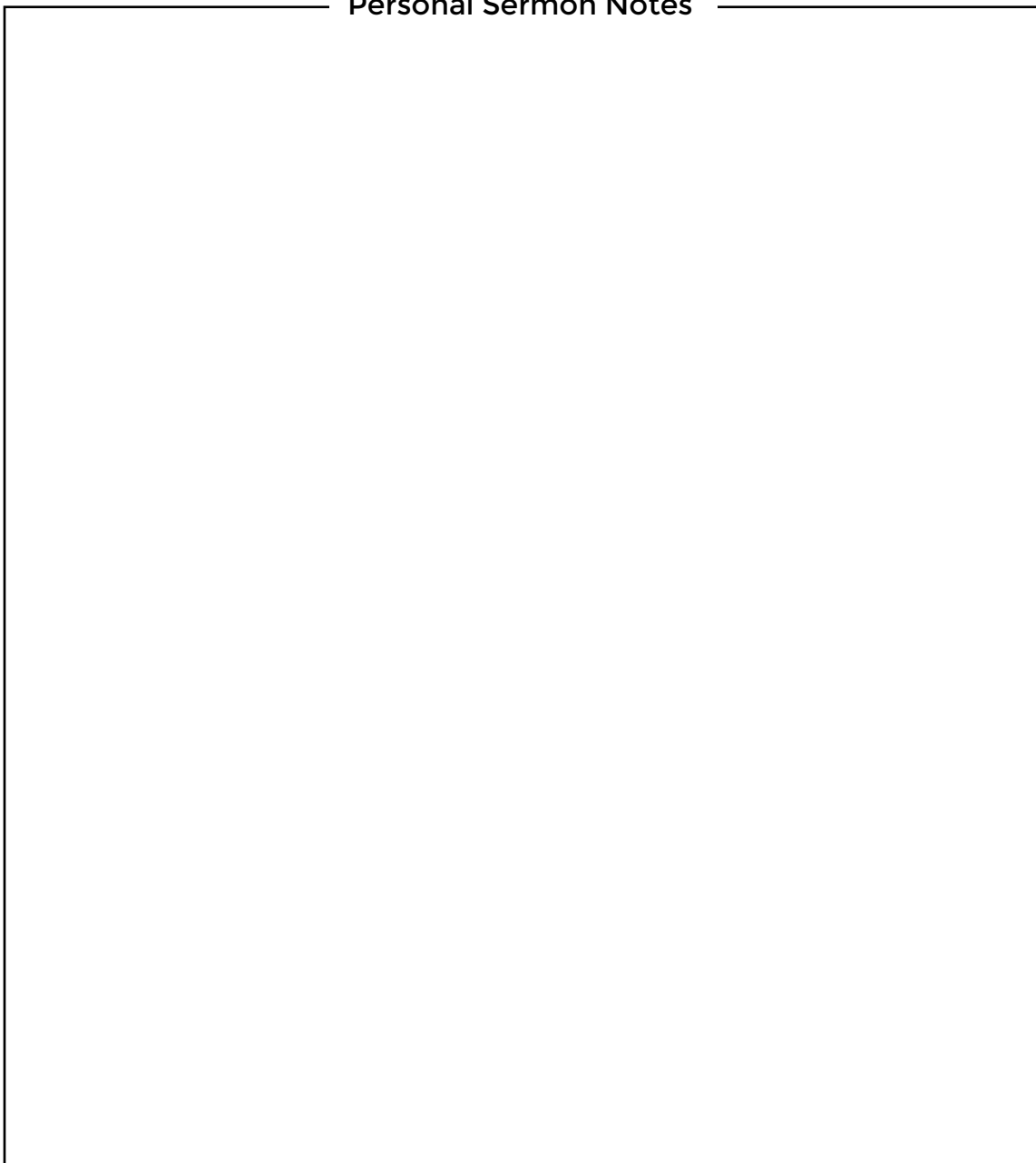


his dread arms in fight; on earth is not his e - qual.  
age to age the same. He holds the field for - ev - er.  
judged; the deed is done! One lit - tle word can fell him.  
vic - to - ry is won; The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

# Sermon | *Fig Leaves Don't Work* |

*Genesis 3:8-15*

## Personal Sermon Notes



## **Confession of Faith | *Nicene Creed* |**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one Holy Christian and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

# THANKSGIVING

**Offering** | The members of Huntersville Lutheran have joined together to do the Lord's work in this community and around the world. If you would like to give digitally, text any dollar amount to **84321**. Easy to follow instructions will be sent to your phone to complete your digital offering. Guests, you are welcome to participate in supporting our ministry, but certainly do not feel obligated.

**Take Action Cards** | In your service folder, you will find *Take Action* Cards. If you haven't done so already, please take a moment and fill it out completely to give us a record of your attendance. In addition, you may request prayers be said on your behalf today. Place your *Take Action* card in the offering plate as it comes around.

## Prayer of the Church

### Lord's Prayer

- ☐ **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**



# THE SACRAMENT

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*Huntersville Lutheran practices close communion, which means biblical conversation and confession with our church beforehand. It is our desire to share in the eternal blessings of this Sacrament according to the instructions that God himself gives. If you are new to Huntersville Lutheran, please know that many of those around you were at one time new, too. And, as you can see by their presence, this preliminary discussion has only brought us closer together to celebrate the Lord's Supper in the way he has prescribed. Contact our pastor at any time.*

## Introduction to the Lord's Supper

- L** Everyone ought to examine their hearts before partaking of the Lord's Supper. *1 Corinthians 11:28*
- C** **I confessed my transgressions to the Lord and he forgave the guilt of my sin.** *Psalm 32:5*
- L** Everyone ought to recognize the true body and blood of the Lord in this Supper. *1 Corinthians 11:29*
- C** **The bread that we break and the cup that we bless are a participation in the body and blood of Christ.** *1 Corinthians 10:16*
- L** Those partaking of the Lord's Supper are to be united in fellowship as one body.
- C** **Because there is one loaf, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.** *1 Corinthians 10:17*

## The Words of Institution

- L** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

- C** **Amen.**

## Lamb of God | *Angus Dei* |

Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us your peace. A - men.

## Distribution

<sup>4</sup> John the Baptist declared Jesus to be the Lamb of God (*Angus Dei*), the sacrifice for sins, once for all. We join countless Christians in singing these words before receiving the very thing in this Supper that these words promise, sins taken away through the blood of Jesus.

## The Lord's 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.

*Numbers 6:24*

☑ Amen.

## Song of Departure | *There Is a Higher Throne* |

*The cantor will introduce the refrain. The congregation is then invited to join in singing the verses and the refrain together.*

1. **There is a higher throne than all this world has known,  
Where faithful ones from ev'ry tongue will one day come.  
Before the Son we'll stand, made faultless through the Lamb;  
Believing hearts find promised grace; salvation comes.**

**Refrain:**

**Hear heaven's voices sing; their thund'rous anthem rings.  
Through em'rald courts and sapphire skies their praises rise.  
All glory, wisdom, pow'r, strength, thanks, and honor are  
to God our King who reigns on high forever more.**

2. **And there we'll find our home, our life before the throne.  
We'll honor him in perfect song where we belong.  
He'll wipe each tear-stained eye as thirst and hunger die.  
The Lamb becomes our Shepherd-King; we'll reign with him.**

**Refrain.**



# Announcements

**Thank You |** You could have chosen to be anywhere this morning and you chose to spend it here, so thank you. To our guests and visitors this morning, we pray your time with us has been enjoyable. If you have any questions, feel free to speak with any of our members or pastor after the service.

**Want to Learn More? |** Aside from worship, one of the best way to learn more about Scripture and Huntersville Lutheran teaches is to join a Faithbuilders class. Faithbuilders is a class on the basics of Christianity and is our path to membership at HLC. Whether you are brand new to Christianity or a life-long believer, this class is a wonderful opportunity to strengthen your faith and grow in your relationship with your Savior. If you are interested in joining or have any questions, please contact Pastor ([pastor@huntersvillelc.com](mailto:pastor@huntersvillelc.com)).

**HLC Young Adults Group |** On Friday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, the HLC Young Adults Group will meet for the first time. The McPhail's will host a cook out at their place. There is a Facebook group created for easy communication and event updates. If you would like to be added to the group, please contact Alli McPhail ([alli.mcphail@gmail.com](mailto:alli.mcphail@gmail.com)).

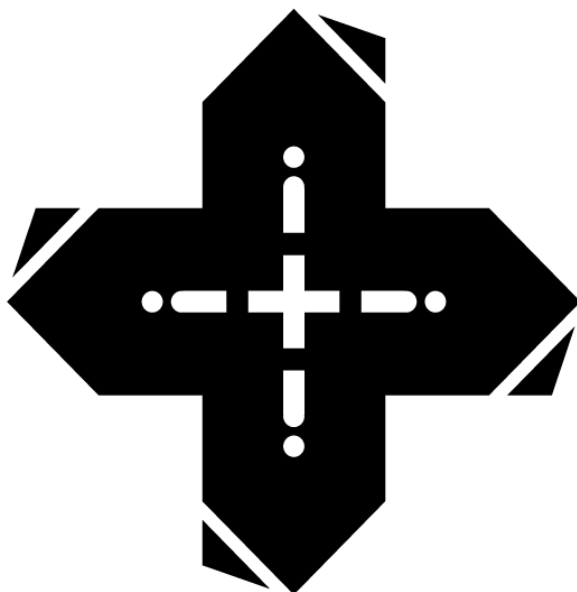
## Communion at Huntersville Lutheran

We believe what God's Word says. God's Word clearly teaches that along with the bread and wine we receive Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:26, 28; Mark 14:22, 24; Luke 22:19-22). Communion is important to us at Huntersville Lutheran and we seek to honor the biblical view of communion. Before coming up for communion, all adults should ask themselves these questions:

1. Do you confess your sins and seek to turn away from the sins you confessed?
2. Do you recognize that Jesus' sacrifice on the cross is the only way sin is forgiven?
3. Do you recognize that in the Sacrament of Communion you receive Jesus' true body and blood along with the bread and the wine?
4. Do you believe that the Bible *IS* God's inspired Word and does not just contain some truths of God?
5. Do you believe that Huntersville Lutheran Church teaches only the truth of God based on His inspired Word? (A summary of these teachings is taught in Faithbuilders, a class that runs multiple times throughout the year.)

We ask that those who have not had the opportunity to understand our Scriptural confession and are unsure of the answers to the above questions would speak with the pastor before participating in the Lord's Supper this morning. It is our sincere desire to share in the blessings of the Lord's Supper with you according to the pattern Jesus himself has given in his Word.





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