



# Southern Ohio Synod Hymn List 2023-2024

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**Mission Statement:** *This list is prepared with the hope of enabling congregations to sing a "more profound Alleluia."*  
(See stanza 2 of ELW hymn #850, 851; also LBW hymn #555 or WOV hymn #802)

**THE HYMN LIST.** This hymn list is coordinated with the calendar followed by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and suggests hymns related to the lectionary of the church as embodied by the Revised Common Lectionary system, and as found in *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*. The hymns in this listing are suggested from the following worship resources published Augsburg Fortress, the official publication house of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America:

## PRIMARY SOURCE:

***Evangelical Lutheran Worship*** © 2006 - This book contains the most current, officially adopted liturgies and hymn collection of the ELCA. Abbreviation: *ELW*

All hymn numbers on this list printed in **bold type** are from *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*.

## OTHER SOURCES:

***Lutheran Book of Worship*** © 1978 – Augsburg Fortress. This book contains the previously adopted liturgies and hymn collection of the ELCA. Abbreviation: *LBW*.

***With One Voice*** © 1995 – Augsburg Fortress. This volume appeared as a liturgical and hymn supplement. Abbreviation: *WOV*.

***This Far by Faith*** © 1999 – Augsburg Fortress and Concordia Publishing. This liturgical resource and hymn collection is geared toward the African American worship experience. It was a cooperative effort between the ELCA and the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod. Abbreviation: *TFF*.

***Worship & Praise*** © 1999 – Augsburg Fortress. This volume is a songbook collection of “praise songs” and contemporary hymns. Abbreviation: *W&P*.

***All Creatures Sing*** © 2020 – Augsburg Fortress. This volume is a songbook collection of “praise songs” and contemporary hymns. Abbreviation: *ACS*

## -----The Hymn List-----

### [Currently we are continuing in Year A of the Revised Common Lectionary]

September 3, 2023 – 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Lectionary Sunday #22 – GREEN

Jeremiah 15:15-21 (God strengthens a prophet to speak the word)

**424** ~ LBW 175 Ye Watchers and ye holy ones

**715** ~ WOV 519 Open your ears, O faithful people

Psalms 26:1-8 (I have walked faithfully with you)

**870** ~ We praise you, O God

Romans 12:9-21 (Live in harmony)

**656** ~ LBW 370 Blest be the tie that binds

Matthew 16:21-28 (Jesus rebukes Peter)

**624** ~ LBW 341 Jesus still lead on

**667** ~ LBW 398 “Take up your cross,” the Savior said

**Special Southern Ohio Synod Remembrance:** On September 14, 1818–205 years ago—the very first Lutheran synod assembly to be held in Ohio convened in the town of Somerset in Perry County. Present were four ordained ministers, six licensed ministerial candidates, and eight lay delegates, who together launched a stronger base for the ministry of their congregations. This meeting is regarded as the original founding date of what is now the Southern Ohio Synod.

September 10, 2023 - 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost - Lectionary Sunday # 23 - GREEN

Ezekiel 33:7-11 (The prophet’s responsibility to warn the people)

**507** ~ LBW 237 O God of light

LBW 238 God has spoken by his prophets

LBW 428 O God of earth and altar

Psalms 119:33-40 (“Lead me in the path of your commandments...”)

Romans 13:8-14 (Live honorably as in the day)

**836** ~ LBW 551 Joyful, joyful, we adore thee

**656** ~ LBW 370 Blest be the tie that binds

**579** ~ WOV 756 Lord you give the Great Commission

Matthew 18:15-20 (Reconciliation in the community of faith)

**605** ~ LBW 307 Forgive our sins as we forgive

**676** ~ LBW 403 Lord, speak to us, that we may speak

**662** ~ LBW 386 Christ is the king! O friends rejoice

**452** ~ WOV 745 Awake, O sleeper

**603** ~ WOV 735 God! When human bonds are broken

**711** ~ WOV 762 O day of peace

**374** Day of arising

TFF 145 Jesus, we want to meet

W&P 68 I was glad

September 17, 2023 - 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #24 - GREEN

Genesis 50:15-21 (Joseph reconciles with his brothers)

**631** ~ LBW 315 Love divine, all loves excelling

LBW 483 God moves in a mysterious way

Psalms 103: [1-7] 8-13 ("Lord, you are full of compassion...")

Romans 14:1-12 (Accepting diversity in the community of faith)

**634** ~ LBW 328/329 All hail the power of Jesus' name

**416** ~ LBW 179 At the name of Jesus

**620** ~ LBW 345 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

W&P 106 Now we remain

Matthew 18:21-35 (A parable of forgiveness in the community of faith)

**656** ~ LBW 370 Blest be the tie that binds

**587, 588** ~ LBW 290 There's a wideness in God's mercy

**716** ~ LBW 419 Lord of all nations, grant me grace

**605** ~ LBW 307 Forgive our sins as we forgive

**452** ~ WOV 745 Awake, O sleeper

**603** ~ WOV 735 God! When human bonds are broken.

September 24, 2023 - 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #25 - GREEN

Jonah 3:10--4:11 (God's concern for the city of Nineveh)

**779** ~ LBW 448 Amazing grace

**587, 588** ~ LBW 290 There's a wideness in God's mercy

Psalms 145:1-8 ("The Lord is gracious...abounding in steadfast love")

Philippians 1:21-30 (To live is Christ; to die is gain)

**449** ~ LBW 189 We know that Christ is raised

**656** ~ LBW 320 O God, our help in ages past

**620** ~ LBW 345 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

**766** ~ LBW 366 Lord of our life and God of our salvation

Matthew 20:1-16 (Parable of the vineyard workers)

**669** ~ LBW 383 Rise up, O saints of God

**513** ~ WOV 712 ~ TFF 130 Listen, God is calling

**576** ~ WOV 755 We all are one in mission

**549** ~ WOV 773 ~ TFF 244 Send me, Jesus

LBW 381 Hark! the voice of Jesus calling

LBW 505 Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go

W&P 96 Make me a servant

October 1, 2023 - 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #26 - GREEN

{Note that Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> is the day of St. Francis of Assisi, the friend of all living things. Some congregations hold a blessing of pets and animals.}

Ezekiel 18: 1-4, 25-32 (The fairness of God's way)

**583, 685** ~ LBW 406 Take my life that I may be

**705** ~ LBW 415 God of grace and God of glory

**714** ~ LBW 425 O God of mercy, God of light

LBW 428 O God of earth and altar

LBW 505 Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go

Psalms 25:1-9 ("Lead me in your truth and teach me...")

Philippians 2:1-13 (Christ humbled to the point of death on a cross)

- 656** ~ LBW 370 Blest be the tie that binds  
**712** ~ LBW 423 Lord, whose love in humble service  
**416** ~ LBW 179 At the name of Jesus  
**551** ~ WOV 723 The Spirit send us forth to serve  
**343** ~ WOV 661 My song is love unknown  
**245** Creator of the stars of night  
**431** O Christ, what can it mean?  
 W&P 127 Song over the waters

Matthew 21:23-32 (A parable of doing God's will)

- 810** ~ LBW 503 O Jesus I have promised  
**696** ~ LBW 494 Jesus calls us o'er the tumult  
**818** ~ LBW 492 O Master, let me walk with you  
**807** ~ LBW 499 Come, thou fount of every blessing  
**793** ~ WOV 776 Be thou my vision  
**579** ~ WOV 756 Lord, you give the Great Commission  
 LBW 428 O God of earth and altar  
 LBW 396 O God, O Lord of heaven and earth  
 LBW 498 All who would valiant be

October 8, 2023 – 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #27 – GREEN

Isaiah 5:1-7 (The song of the vineyard)

- 710** Let streams of living justice  
**717** ~ WOV 763 Let justice flow like streams  
**719** ~ LBW 429 Where cross the crowded ways of life

Psalms 80:7-15 (“O God...behold and tend the vine”)Philippians 3:4b-14 (Nothing surpasses the value of knowing Christ)

- 596, 597** ~ LBW 294 My hope is built on nothing less  
**594** ~ LBW 299 Dear Christians, one and all (*Martin Luther hymn*)  
**583, 685** ~ LBW 406 Take my life, that I may be  
**600** ~ LBW 295 Out of the depths I cry to you  
**590** ~ LBW 297 Salvation unto us has come  
 TFF 97 I heard an old, old story

Matthew 21:33-46 (Parable of the vineyard owner's son)

- 669** ~ LBW 383 Rise up, O saints of God  
**890** ~ LBW 332 Mine eyes have seen the glory  
**686** ~ LBW 410 We give thee but thine own  
**694** ~ LBW 412 Sing to the Lord of harvest  
**438** ~ WOV 627 My Lord, what a morning  
**439** ~ WOV 744 Soon and very soon

October 15, 2023 – 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #28 - GREEN

Isaiah 25:1-9 (The feast of victory)

- 471** ~ LBW 212 Let us break bread together  
**542** ~ LBW 197 O living bread from heaven  
**487** ~ WOV 701 What feast of love

**630** ~ LBW 330 In heaven above

Psalm 23 ("You prepare a table before me...")

**778** ~ LBW 451 The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want

**789** ~ LBW 481 Savior, like a savior lead us

Philippians 4:1-9 ("Rejoice in the Lord always!")

**414** ~ LBW 535 Holy God, we praise your name

**858, 859** ~ LBW 543 Praise to the Lord, the almighty

WOV 793 Shout for joy loud and long

TFF 257 I've got the joy, joy, joy

TFF 292 Give thanks

W&P 95 Make me a channel of your peace

Matthew 22:1-14 (Parable of the unwelcome guest at the marriage feast)

**312** ~ WOVS 648 Jesus, come! For we invite you

**488, 489** ~ LBW 224 Soul, adorn yourself with gladness

**462** ~ LBW 203 Now we join in celebration

**491** ~ LBW 214 ~ TFF 119 Come, let us eat

WOV 751 As man and woman we were made

LBW 78 All praise to you, O Lord

October 22, 2023 –21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #29 - GREEN

Isaiah 45:1-7 (An earthly ruler as the instrument of God's will)

**890** ~ LBW 332 Mine eyes have seen the glory

**705** ~ LBW 415 God of grace and God of glory

W&P 149 We bow down

Psalm 96:1-9 [10-13] ("Ascribe to the LORD honor and power")

I Thessalonians 1:1-10 (Thanksgiving for the church at Thessalonica)

**688** ~ LBW 405 Lord of light

**886** ~ LBW 559 Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing

**669** ~ LBW 383 Rise up, O saints of God

**576** ~ WOVS 755 We all are one in mission

Matthew 22:15-22 (A teaching on church and state)

**583, 685** ~ LBW 406 Take my life, that I may be

**680, 681** ~ LBW 362 We plow the fields and scatter

October 29, 2023 - The Festival of the Reformation - RED

Jeremiah 31:31-34 (The prophecy of a new covenant)

**487** ~ WOVS 701 What feast of love [31:31-34]

**632** ~ LBW 320 O God, our help in ages past

**587, 588** ~ LBW 290 There's a wideness in God's mercy

**590** ~ LBW 297 Salvation unto us has come

Psalm 46 ("...the God of Jacob is our stronghold")

**503, 504, 505** ~ LBW 228, 229 A mighty fortress is our God

Romans 3:19-28 (Justification by faith alone)

**779** ~ LBW 448 Amazing grace, how sweet the sound [3:21-28]

**598** ~ W&P 38 For by grace you have been saved [3:21-28]

**590** ~ LBW 297 Salvation unto us has come [3:21-28]

**591** ~ TFF 68 That priceless grace [3:24]

**654** ~ LBW 369 The church's one foundation

ACS 1006 ~ By grace we have been saved

ACS 1048 Founded on faith

W&P 25 By Grace We Have Been Saved

John 8:31-36 (Freedom in Christ)

**517** ~ LBW 230 Lord, keep us steadfast in your Word [8:31-32]

**520** ~ LBW 248 Dearest Jesus, at your word [8:31-32]

**459** ~ TFF 114 Wade in the water [8:36]

**503, 504, 505** ~ LBW 228, 229 A mighty fortress is our God

**594** ~ LBW 299 Dear Christians, one and all

**651** ~ WOV 750 Oh, praise the gracious power

**304** Christ, when for us you were baptized

**Special Southern Ohio Synod Remembrance:** On November 3, 1839 occurred the death of Wilhelm Schmidt, founder (in 1830) of the first Lutheran theological seminary in Ohio, which became an integral element in the history of Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Columbus, Ohio. Schmidt was chosen to be president and first professor of the seminary because at the time he was the only minister in the synod who had formal academic training in classical and theological studies.

November 5, 2023 - All Saints' Day - WHITE

**[Daylight saving time ends at 2:00 a.m. on this date, and the clock “falls” back one hour. *The proposed Sunshine Protection Act, which would put the country permanently on daylight saving time, passed the U.S. Senate but has not yet been passed by the House of Representatives. So, that being the case, as of today’s date we return to American standard time.*]**

Revelation 7:9-17 (The multitudes of heaven worship the Lamb)

**425** ~ LBW 314 Behold the host/Who is this host arrayed in white

**433** ~ Blessing, honor, and glory

**684** ~ WOV 757 Creating God, your fingers trace

**426** ~ WOV 691 Sing with all the saints in glory

**846** ~ TFF 279 Amen, we praise your name

**789** [BRADBURY] ~ LBW 481 [HER VIL TIES] Savior, like a shepherd

**843** Praise the One who breaks the darkness

W&P 55 He is exalted

W&P 44/45 Glory to God

ACS 950 ~ TFF 180 Oh, when the saints go marching in

TFF 210 I've got a robe

LBW 525 Blessing and honor and glory and power

Psalms 34:1-10, 22 (“Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD”)

I John 3:1-3 (We are God's children)

**781** ~ LBW 474 Children of the heavenly Father

**286** ~ LBW 52 Your little ones, dear Lord, are we

**815** ~ WOV 649 I want to walk as a child of the light

**625** ~ WOV 742 Come, we that love the Lord

TFF 218 Behold, what manner of love  
Matthew 5:1-12 (The Beatitudes: blessed are the poor in spirit...)

**728** ~ WOV 764 Blest are they  
**422** ~ LBW 174 For all the saints whom from their labors rest  
**420, 421** ~ LBW 177/178 By all your saints in warfare  
**418** ~ WOV 689 Rejoice in God's Saints  
 LBW17 How blest are those who know their need of God

November 12, 2023 – 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #32 - GREEN

Amos 5:18-24 ("Let justice roll down like waters")

**717** WOV 763 Let justice flow like streams

**710** Let streams of living justice

**719** LBW 429 Where cross the crowded ways of life

**Or** Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16 (Wisdom found by those who seek her)

**705** LBW 415 God of grace and God of glory

**834** LBW 526 Immortal, Invisible, God only wise

Psalms 70 ("O God...you my...deliverer")

I Thessalonians 4:13-18 (Resurrection through Christ)

**425** LBW 314 Behold the host/Who is this host arrayed in white

**564** LBW 281 God, who made the earth and heaven

**779** LBW 448 Amazing grace, how sweet the sound

**596, 597** LBW 293, 294 My hope is built on nothing less

**785** LBW 346 When peace like a river (It is well with my soul)

Matthew 25:1-13 (Parable of the wise and foolish maidens waiting for the bridegroom)

**\*\*436** LBW 31 Wake, awake, for night is flying

**244** LBW 25 Rejoice, rejoice, believers!

**488, 489** LBW 224 Soul, adorn yourself with gladness

[\*\* In the repertoire of a certain kind of 16<sup>th</sup> century German Lutheran hymn known as the "chorale", the above noted song, "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying," has long borne designation as the "king of chorales." The hymnologist, Carl Winterfeld, described its tune as "the greatest melody of Evangelical Christendom." Besides being popular with the hymn singing public, the song has had cultural impact by being used as the basis of Cantata #104 of Johann Sebastian Bach as well as being incorporated in the *St. Paul Oratorio* by Felix Mendelssohn. The text and tune were composed by Lutheran pastor Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608) as a positive statement of faith in the aftermath of the decimation by bubonic plague of his parish in Unna, Westphalia. The first stanza of the hymn is based directly on Matthew 25:1-3.]

November 19, 2023 – 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #33 - GREEN

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18 (The day of the LORD)

**705** ~ LBW 415 God of grace and God of glory

[**Service Book & Hymnal** 298] That day of wrath (*from the Dies Irae*)

LBW 418 Judge eternal, throned in splendor

LBW 428 O God of earth and altar

Psalms 90:1-8 [9-11] 12 ("...teach to number our days...")

I Thessalonians 5:1-11 (Be alert for the day of the Lord)

**244** ~ LBW 25 Rejoice, rejoice, believers

**436** ~ LBW 31 Wake, awake, for night is flying

**243** ~ LBW 394 Lost in the night

**629** ~ LBW 272 Abide with me

TFF 240 It's me, O Lord

W&P 2 A story for all people

Matthew 25:14-30 (The story of the slaves entrusted with talents)

**674** ~ WOV 754 ~ TFF 232 Let us talents and tongues employ

**688** ~ LBW 405 Lord of light

**583, 685** ~ LBW 406 Take my life, that I may be

**681** ~ LBW 362 We plow the fields and scatter

WOV 758 Come to us, creative Spirit

TFF 172 If when you give the best of your service

November 26, 2023 - The Festival of Christ the King, Last Sunday after Pentecost,  
Lectionary Sunday #34 - WHITE

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 (God will shepherd Israel)

**502** ~ LBW The king of love my shepherd is

**778** ~ LBW 451 The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want

ACS ~ 782 Shepherd, you supply my need

Psalms 95:1-7a ("...the LORD is our God and we are the sheep of his hand")

Ephesians 1:15-23 (The reign of Christ)

**654** ~ LBW 369 The church's one foundation

**826** ~ WOV 801 Thine the amen, thine the praise

TFF 294 O Christ the King, anointed

W&P 113 Open our eyes, Lord

W&P 136 The King of glory

Matthew 25:31-46 (Advent of the Son of Man; separation of the sheep and goats)

**572** Now is evening

**479** ~ WOV 766 We come to the hungry feast

**686** ~ LBW 410 We give thee but thine own

**754** ~ LBW 316 Jesus, the very thought of you

**856** ~ LBW 532 How great thou art

**890** ~ LBW 332 Mine eyes have seen the glory

-----Here begins Year B of the Lectionary-----



**A hymn to sing while lighting the Advent wreath:**

**240 WOV 630** *Light one candle to watch for Messiah*

[The Advent wreath, according to Roman Catholic author, Francis X. Weiser, "originated a few hundred years ago among the Lutherans of eastern Germany." The custom is now used by a wide range of Protestant churches, and also the Roman Catholic Church. It was originally a custom observed in the home before being adopted for liturgical use in churches. The wreath—itsself a symbol of victory as in the Greek Olympic games—and the lighted candles symbolize the victory of

Christ over the powers of darkness. Such symbolism coordinates directly with the arbitrary placement of Jesus' birthday celebration near the winter solstice, which was a decision made by the church in Rome in the year 330. (The actual date of his birth is not known.) From the winter solstice the amount of daily



sunlight increases incrementally in the northern hemisphere until arriving at the summer solstice. So the tradition of the church practices a kind of “calendar symbolism” with Jesus’ birthday observance, and various customs connected with increased light—such as the Advent wreath and also the Christmas tree—these are very much a part of that symbolism.]

December 3, 2023 - the First Sunday in Advent - BLUE

Isaiah 64:1-9 (Prayer that God would come with power and compassion)

**632** ~ LBW 320 O God our help in ages past

**263** ~ LBW 28 Savior, of the nations, come

**257** ~ LBW 34 Oh, come, Oh, come, Emmanuel

**801** ~ W&P 28 Change my heart, O God

W&P 103 Now God our Father

TFF 152 Have thine own way, Lord

Psalms 80:1-7, 17-19 (“Restore us, O God of hosts...”)

1 Corinthians 1:3-9 (Gifts of grace sustain those who wait for the end)

**435** ~ LBW 27 Lo! He comes with clouds descending

**260** ~ LBW 33 The king shall come when morning dawns

**246** ~ LBW 37 Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding

**438** ~ WOV 627 My Lord, what a morning

LBW 38 O savior, rend the heavens wide

Mark 13:24-37 (Be ready for the coming of the Son of Man)

**436** ~ LBW 31 Wake, awake for night is flying

**244** ~ LBW 25 Rejoice, rejoice, believers

**557** ~ LBW 269 Awake, my soul and with the sun

**242** ~ WOV 633 Awake, awake, and greet the new morn

ACS 949 ~ Keep your lamps trimmed and burning

ACS 902 ~ Shepherd, you supply my need

December 10, 2023 - the Second Sunday in Advent - BLUE

Isaiah 40:1-11 (Good news of God’s coming to a people in exile)

**256** ~ LBW 29 Comfort, comfort now my people

**264** ~ LBW 26 Prepare the royal highway

**290** ~ LBW 70 Go tell it on the mountain

**668** ~ LBW 397 O Zion, haste

**255** ~ There’s a voice in the wilderness

**789** (BRADBURY) and LBW 481 (HER VIL TIES) Savior, like a shepherd lead

ASC 904 ~ Come to be our hope, O Jesus

Psalms 85:1-2, 8-13 (“Righteousness...shall prepare for God a pathway”)

2 Peter 3:8-15a (Waiting for and hastening the day of God)

**632** ~ LBW 320 O God our help in ages past

**436** ~ LBW 31 Wake, awake for night is flying

**260** ~ LBW 33 The king shall come

**248** ~ WOV 626 People, look East

**266** ~ WOV 629 All earth is hopeful

Mark 1:1-8 (John crying in the wilderness)

**246** ~ LBW 37 Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding

**249** ~ LBW 36 On Jordan's banks the Baptist's cry

**457** ~ W&P 145 Waterlife  
**255** ~ There's a voice in the wilderness

December 17, 2023- the Third Sunday in Advent - BLUE

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11 (Righteousness and praise flourish like a garden)

**256** ~ LBW 29 Comfort, comfort now my people  
**239** ~ LBW 35 Hark, the glad sound  
**254** ~ LBW 30 Come, thou long expected Jesus  
**671** ~ WOV 651 + TFF 64 + W&P 123 Shine, Jesus, shine  
**488, 489** (CANTO AL BORINQUEN) and LBW 224 (SCHMÜCKE DICH) Soul, adorn yourself with gladness  
**710** ~ Let streams of living justice  
**843** ~ Praise the One who breaks the darkness  
 TFF 46 Freedom is coming  
 TFF 152 Have thine own way, Lord  
 TFF 294 O Christ the King, anointed

Psalms 126 ("The LORD has done great things for us...")

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 (Keep faith until the coming)

**267** ~ LBW 39 Joy to the world  
**241** ~ LBW 23 O Lord how shall I meet you  
**244** ~ LBW 25 Rejoice, rejoice believers  
**242** ~ WOV 633 Awake, awake, and greet the new morn  
 TFF 42 Come by here, Lord [Kum ba yah]

John 1:6-8, 19-28 (John points to the light)

**264** ~ LBW 26 Prepare the royal highway  
**266** ~ WOV 629 All earth is hopeful  
**263** ~ LBW 28 Savior of the nations, come  
 ACS 902 ~ Come, now, O God  
 ACS 904 ~ Come to be our hope, O Jesus  
 (Also consult the Mark listing for December 7<sup>th</sup>)

**Partnership Remembrance** involving the Sinodo Espirito Santo a Belem, in Brazil: On **December 25, 1846** the first Lutheran worship service was held in the Brazilian state of Espirito Santo. This took place in the city of Vittoria and was organized by a group of Lutherans from the area of Pomerania in Germany. The present day Lutheran Synod of Espirito Santo consists of 174 congregations, plus some 75 "preaching points" and includes 59,373 church members. The synod is led by Pastor Ismar Schiefelbein, who has the title "Pastor Sinodal." In an ongoing partnership relationship with the Southern Ohio Synod, the Lutheran Synod of Espirito Santo is one of the 18 constituent synods of the Evangelical Church of the Lutheran Confession in Brazil.

December 24, 2020 (**A.M. only**) - the Fourth Sunday in Advent - BLUE

2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16 (The LORD promises an everlasting kingdom)

**254** ~ LBW 30 Come, thou long expected Jesus  
**257** ~ LBW 34 Oh, come, Oh, come, Emmanuel  
**266** ~ WOV 629 All earth is hopeful

Psalms 89:1-4, 19-26 ("Your love, O LORD...will I sing")

Or in place of the psalm, Luke 1:46b-55 (*Magnificat*; see listings for the Gospel)

Romans 16:25-27 (The mystery of God revealed in Jesus Christ)

- 705 ~ LBW 415 God of grace and God of glory
- 666 ~ LBW 385 What wondrous love is this
- 665 ~ LBW 393 Rise, shine, you people
- 252 ~ WOV 628 Each winter as the year grows older

Luke 1:26-38 (The annunciation to Mary)

- 265 ~ WOV 632 The angel Gabriel from heaven came
- 882 ~ TFF 168 My soul does magnify the Lord [Magnificat]
- 251 ~ WOV 730 My proclaims your greatness [Magnificat]
- 573 ~ LBW 180 My soul now magnifies the Lord [Magnificat]
- 723 ~ My soul cries out (Canticle of the turning) [Magnificat]
- 235 ~ My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord [Magnificat]
- 236 ~ Magnificat [Magnificat]
- 723 ~ My soul cries out (Canticle of the turning Magnificat)
- ACS 907 ~ Filled with hope and gratitude [Magnificat]
- 419 (with stanza 6) ~ TFF 219 (with stanza 9) For all the faithful women
- 296 ~ LBW 40 What child is this
- 295 ~ LBW 42 Of the Father's love begotten
- 263 ~ LBW 28 Savior of the nations, come
- 258 ~ Unexpected and mysterious
- ASC 906 ~ No wind at the window
- ASC 913 ~ While shepherds watched their flocks

**Special Southern Ohio Synod Remembrance:** On December 29, 1848 occurred the death of Ezra Keller, a graduate of Gettysburg Seminary, and formerly a traveling missionary in Ohio. Later (1845) he became the founder and first president of Wittenberg University in Springfield, Ohio. This new institution represented a more Americanized type of Lutheranism.

December 31, 2023 - the First Sunday after Christmas - WHITE

Isaiah 61:10-62:3 ("Rejoice in the Lord!" - "Nations...will see your glory")

- 267 ~ LBW 39 Joy to the world
- 288 ~ LBW 55 Good Christian friends, rejoice
- 290 ~ LBW 70 Go tell it on the mountain
- 298 ~ LBW 62 The bells of Christmas
- 266 ~ WOV All earth is hopeful

Psalms 148 ("...praise the name of the LORD")Galatians 4:4-7 ("In the fullness of time God sent his son")

- 287 ~ LBW 47 Let all together praise our God
- 295 ~ LBW 42 Of the Father's love begotten
- 286 ~ LBW 52 Your little ones, dear Lord
- 293 ~ TFF 54 That boy-child of Mary
- 718 ~ LBW 417 In a lowly manger born
- ASC 908 ~ In a far-off place Jesus came

Luke 2:22-40 (Baby Jesus is "presented" in the temple; the Nunc Dimittis)

- 417 ~ LBW 184 In his temple now behold him
- 296 ~ LBW 40 What child is this
- 313 ~ LBW 339 O Lord, now let your servant

**440** ~ LBW 349 In peace and joy I now depart [**\*\*** Martin Luther produced both tune and text for this adaptation of the "Simeon's Song" in today's Gospel. It was part of the Reformer's ongoing project of producing hymns that would put the words of Scripture into sing-able forms, usable by congregations.]

## -----Planning Further Ahead - Lent-----

**Lenten Theme:** It has long been customary for Lutheran clergy in America to preach a series of sermons around a unified theme during the season of Lent. This often happens during mid-week Lenten services. However, with the *Revised Common Lectionary*, there is an implicit running theme on the concept of "covenant with God" which continues through the appointed scriptures for the five successive Sundays in Lent during Year B of the lectionary. This theme could be homiletically developed as a series.

- 1st Sunday in Lent - "the covenant with Noah" (Genesis reading)
- 2nd Sunday in Lent - "the covenant with Abraham" (Genesis & Romans texts)
- 3rd Sunday in Lent - "the covenant with Moses" (Exodus reading)
- 4th Sunday in Lent - "bronze serpent in the desert prefigures the death of Christ and a new covenant through the cross" (Numbers & John readings)
- 5th Sunday in Lent - "the prophecy of a new covenant to be written on human hearts, in which God will remember our sin no more" (Jeremiah reading)

January 7, 2024 - the Baptism of our Lord, Lectionary Sunday # 1 - WHITE

Genesis 1:1-5 (God creates light)

- 771** ~ LBW 463 God, who stretched the spangled heavens
- 856** ~ LBW 532 How great thou art
- 556** ~ LBW W&P 98 Morning has broken
- 455** ~ Crashing waters at creation
- W&P 127 Song over the waters

Psalms 29 ("The voice of the LORD is upon the waters")

Acts 19:1-7 (Baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus)

- 395** ~ LBW 163 Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord
- 401** ~ WOV 687 Gracious Spirit, head our pleading
- TFF 105 Oh, let the Son of God enfold you
- TFF 107 Holy Spirit, descend

Mark 1:4-11 (John's preaching and the baptism of Jesus)

- 305** ~ WOV 647 When Jesus came to Jordan [1:9]
- LBW 85 When Christ's appearing was made known [1:9]
- 800** ~ LBW 486 Spirit of God, descend upon my heart [1:10]
- 304** Christ, when for us you were baptized [1:9-11]
- 455** Crashing waters at creation [1:9-11]
- 310** ~ LBW 90 Songs of thankfulness and praise [1:9-11]
- 322** ~ LBW 88 Oh, love how deep
- 456** ~ WOV 693 Baptized in water
- 445** ~ WOV 697 ~ TFF 112 Wash, O God, our sons and daughters

ASC 916 ~ Down Galilee's roadway  
 ASC 958 ~ To Christ belong, in Christ belong  
 ASC 959 ~ Gpd of promise, let these signs of grace

**Note that the week of prayer for Christian unity is January 18 - 25, starting on the festival of the Confession of Peter and ending on the festival of the Conversion of Paul)**

January 14, 2024 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany, Lectionary Sunday # 2 - GREEN  
 [Also the eve of the commemoration of Martin Luther King Jr., renewer of society, martyr, + 1968 ~ Hymn:  
 841 ~ LBW 562 Lift every voice and sing.]

1 Samuel 3:1-10 [11-20] (The calling of Samuel)

574 ~ WOV 752 + TFF 230 I, the Lord of sea and sky  
 676 ~ LBW 403 Lord, speak to us that we may speak  
 825 ~ LBW 252 You servants of God, your Master proclaim  
 798 ~ W&P 137 The summons

Psalms 139:1-6, 13-18 ("LORD, you have searched me out")

1 Corinthians 6:12-20 (Glorify God in your body)

652 ~ LBW 365 Built on a rock  
 881 ~ LBW 557 Let all things now living  
 689 ~ LBW 409 Praise and thanksgiving  
 744 ~ W&P 89 Lord, be glorified

John 1:43-51 (Calling of disciples; promise to Nathanael)

817 ~ WOV 784 + TFF 154 You have come down to the lakeshore  
 696 ~ LBW 494 Jesus calls us, o'er the tumult  
 799 ~ LBW 455 Come follow me, the Savior spake  
 667 ~ LBW 398 "Take up your cross," the Savior said  
 669 ~ LBW 383 Rise up, O saints of God  
 660 ~ LBW 377 Lift high the cross  
 805 ~ LBW 495 Lead on, O king eternal  
 280 Midnight stars make bright the sky  
 TFF 146 I can hear my savior calling  
 ASC ~ 1040 Love has brought us here together [tune: HYFRYDOL]  
 ASC ~ 991 Go to the world [tune: SINE NOMINE]  
 ASC ~ 1044 Not for tongues of heaven's angels  
 ASC ~ 1022 God bless our hands [tune: MELITA]

January 21, 2024 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany, Lectionary Sunday # 3 - GREEN

Jonah 3:1-5, 10 (Repentance at Nineveh)

592 ~ LBW 296 Just as I am without one plea  
 666 ~ LBW 385 What wondrous love is this  
 587 [ST. HELENA], 588 ~ 290 There's a wideness in God's mercy [LORD,  
 REVIVE US]  
 LBW 303 When in the hour of deepest need

Psalms 62:5-12 ("God alone is my rock and my salvation")

1 Corinthians 7:29-31 (Living in the end times)

252 ~ WOV 628 Each winter as the year grows older

**669** ~ LBW 383 Rise up, O saints of God  
**772** ~ LBW 480 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways  
**802** ~ LBW 487 Let us ever walk with Jesus  
**624** ~ LBW 341 Jesus, still lead on

Mark 1:14-20 (Miracle of the fishes; call of disciples)

**793** ~ WOV 776 Be thou my vision  
**757** ~ WOV 782 All my hope on God is founded  
 [Consult the John listing for January 14<sup>th</sup>]

January 28, 2024 - 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany, Lectionary Sunday # 4 - GREEN

Deuteronomy 18:15-20 (The prophet speaks with God's authority)

**309** ~ LBW 86 The only Son from heaven  
**254** ~ LBW 30 Come thou long expected Jesus  
**310** ~ LBW 90 Songs of thankfulness and praise  
**513** ~ WOV 712 Listen, God is calling  
**549** ~ WOV 773 Send me Jesus  
**737** ~ WOV 768 He comes to us as one unknown

Psalms 111 ("The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom")

1 Corinthians 8:1-13 (Limits to liberty: the case of food offered to idols)

**818** ~ LBW 492 O Master let me walk with you  
**772** ~ LBW 480 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways  
**656** ~ LBW 370 Blest be the tie that binds  
**676** ~ LBW 403 Lord, speak to us that we may speak  
**470** ~ WOV 703 Draw us in the Spirit's tether

Mark 1:21-28 (Healing of a man with unclean spirit)

**673** ~ LBW 400 God, whose almighty Word  
**610** ~ LBW 360 O Christ, the healer, we have come  
**612** ~ WOV 738 Healer of our every ill  
**614** ~ WOV 737 There is a balm in Gilead  
**617** We come to you for healing, Lord  
**607** ~ TFF 186 Come, ye disconsolate  
 ACS ~ 1016 Cast out, O Christ

February 4, 2024 - 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany, Lectionary Sunday # 5 - GREEN

Isaiah 40:21-31 (The creator cares for the powerless)

**787** ~ WOV 779 On Eagles Wings [NOTE: the version in WOV is much easier for singers]  
**858, 859** ~ LBW 532 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (Note stanza 2)  
**771** ~ LBW 463 God, who stretched the spangled heavens  
 W&P 97 May you run and not be weary

Psalms 147:1-11, 20c ("The LORD heals the brokenhearted")

1 Corinthians 9:16-23 (A servant for sake of the Gospel)

**650** ~ LBW 359 In Christ there is no east or west  
**676** ~ LBW 403 Lord, speak to us that we may speak  
**470** ~ WOV 703 Draw us in the Spirit's tether  
 WOV 748 Bind us together

Mark 1:29-39 (Healing Peter's mother-in-law and others)

**742** ~ LBW 439 What a friend we have in Jesus  
**610** ~ LBW 360 O Christ, the healer, we have come  
**712** ~ LBW 423 Lord, whose love in humble service  
**607** ~ TFF 186 Come, ye disconsolate

February 14, 2021 - the Transfiguration of our Lord, Last Sunday after Epiphany - WHITE

2 Kings 2:1-12 (Elijah taken up to heaven and succeeded by Elisha)

**834** ~ LBW 526 Immortal, invisible, God only wise  
 TFF 171 Swing low, sweet chariot

Psalms 50:1-6 ("Out of Zion...God shine forth in glory")

2 Corinthians 4:3-6 (God's light seen clearly)

**308** ~ LBW 76 O morning star, how fair and bright  
**815** ~ WOV 649 I want to walk as a child of the light  
**866** ~ WOV 650 We are marching in the light of God  
**715** Christ be our light  
**332** ~ LBW 497 I heard the voice of Jesus

Mark 9:2-9 (Revelation of Christ as God's beloved Son)

**317** ~ WOV 653 Jesus on the mountain peak  
**315** ~ LBW 89 How good, Lord, to be here  
**316** ~ LBW 80 Oh, wondrous type! Oh, vision fair  
**838** ~ LBW 518 Beautiful savior  
**671** ~ WOV 651 + TFF 64 + W&P 123 Shine, Jesus, shine  
**334** Tree of life and awesome mystery  
 ACS 917 Dazzling Presence on the mountain  
 ACS 954 You Lord, are both lamb and shepherd

**LENT AND THE "A" WORD:** It is liturgical custom not to say or sing the word, "Alleluia," during the season of Lent. And so it is customary to avoid hymns and canticles employing the "A" word during this time. In a sense, this is part of the Lenten fast. (Earlier in Christian history Lent was observed as a strict time of fasting with only one daily meal allowed and celebratory events were curtailed.)

**Special Southern Ohio Synod Remembrance:** The 19<sup>th</sup> century saw two institutions of Lutheran higher education established in Ohio—Capital University, which was chartered by the state on March 2, 1850, and Wittenberg University, which had been previously chartered on March 11, 1845. Capital was an outgrowth of the Lutheran Theological Seminary established in 1830.

[February 14, 2024 – Ash Wednesday

ASC 919 Remember you are dust  
 ASC 920 All things dust to dust return  
 ASC 921 Return to God]

February 18, 2024 - the First Sunday in Lent - PURPLE

Genesis 9:8-17 (The rainbow, sign of God's covenant)

LBW 324 O love that will not let me go

Psalm 25:1-10 (“...to those who keep our covenant...all your paths are...love”)

I Peter 3:18-22 (Saved through water)

**456** ~ WOV 693 Baptized in water

**455** Crashing Waters at Creation

**442** ~ LBW 194 All who believe and are baptized

**451** We are baptized in Christ Jesus

**457** ~ W&P 145 Waterlife

Mark 1:9-15 (The temptation of Jesus in the wilderness for forty days)

**319** ~ LBW 99 O Lord, throughout these forty days

**601** ~ LBW 91 Savior, when in dust to you

**503, 504, 505** ~ LBW 228/229 A mighty fortress is our God

**325** ~ TFF 66 I want Jesus to walk with me

**637** Holy God, holy and glorious

**517** ~ LBW 230 Lord keep us steadfast in your Word

ASC 923 As your Spirit in the desert

ASC 922 When we are tested

W&P 115 Out in the wilderness

February 25, 2024 - the Second Sunday in Lent – PURPLE

[Also the commemoration of Elizabeth Fedde, Lutheran deaconess & nurse, 1921]

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 (God blesses Abraham and Sarah)

**831** ~ LBW 544 The God of Abraham praise

**618** ~ LBW 343 Guide me ever great Redeemer

Psalm 22:23-31 (“All the ends of the earth shall...turn to the LORD”)

Romans 4:13-25 (The promises to those who share Abraham’s faith)

**635** ~ WOV 675 We walk by faith and not by sight

**603** ~ WOV 735 God! When human bonds are broken

**428** Give thanks for saints

Mark 8:31-38 (The Passion predicted)

**667** ~ LBW 398 "Take up your cross," the Savior said

**799** ~ LBW 455 "Come, follow me," the Savior spake

**327** ~ LBW 355 Through the night of doubt and sorrow

**347** ~ LBW 109 Go to dark Gethsemane

**660** ~ LBW 377 Lift high the cross

ASC 932 Lamb of God, most holy

ASC 1048 Founded on faith

## -----Planning Further Ahead - Easter-----

**Easter as a season:** Easter is not just a single day, but a whole season of fifty days, and, in fact, it is the most important season in the entire church year. While we Lutherans have been pretty good at observing the season of Lent in special ways, the season of Easter has in many places been largely ignored. Here are some ways to emphasize the whole of the Easter season.



**Omit Confession:** Traditionally, elements of penance are omitted from the liturgy during the whole of the Easter season. So, this is an appropriate season in which to omit the Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness. Indeed, the whole of the Lenten season is seen as "confessional preparation" for the celebration of Easter.

**Baptismal Remembrance:** Instead of confession use the "Thanksgiving for Baptism," which is given in the *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* liturgy as an alternative observance. And actually pour water into the font as a visual symbol of baptism. [See page 97, et al.]

**Weekly Eucharist:** If your parish does not have a weekly celebration of the Eucharist throughout the rest of the year, schedule weekly Eucharist over the seven Sundays of Easter. In theory these weeks have always been regarded as the most important "time" in the church year. One way to give practical application of this "theory," would be to have weekly Communion on all the Sundays of the Easter season, since the complete service of Word and Sacrament gives full expression the church's Means of Grace and is its highest mode of celebration.

**The Easter Blessing:** At the end of the *Evangelical Lutheran Worship's* order of Morning Prayer, is a special "Paschal Blessing," which incorporates the basic themes of Easter. (See ELW, page 308; it also appears in the *Lutheran Book of Worship*, pages 138-141) This "blessing" is particularly apropos because it repeats the Easter Gospel and includes the church's traditional and greatest hymn of triumph, the "Te Deum" ("We Praise you, O God") The LBW setting for this canticle is particularly festive. During the seven Sundays of Easter this Paschal Blessing could be used to conclude the congregation's worship each week, replacing in the Communion liturgy the post-communion canticle, the post-communion prayer, and the benediction. If the Eucharist is not celebrated weekly during Easter, this Paschal Blessing could replace benediction and final hymn of the service.

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March 3, 2024 - the Third Sunday in Lent - PURPLE

Exodus 20:1-17 (Commandments)

772 ~ LBW 480 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways

507 ~ LBW 237 O God of light

LBW 238 God has spoken by his prophets

LBW 510 O God of youth

Psalms 19 ("The statutes of the LORD are just...")

1 Corinthians 1:18-25 (Christ crucified, the wisdom of God)

353 ~ LBW 92 Were you there

337 ~ LBW 98 Alas! and did my Savior bleed

351, 352 ~ LBW 116, 117 O sacred head now wounded

342 ~ WOV 668 There is God's garden

335 ~ TFF 73 Jesus, keep me near the cross

W&P 11 At the foot of the cross

John 2:13-22 (Cleansing of the temple)

890 ~ LBW 332 Mine eyes have seen the glory

757 ~ WOV 782 All my hope on God is founded

March 10, 2024 - the Fourth Sunday in Lent - PURPLE

**[Daylight Savings Time begins in the early hours of this date and the clock springs ahead one hour.]**

Numbers 21:4-9 (The lifting up of the serpent)

(See below under John suggestions)

Psalms 107:1-3, 17-22 (“...in their trouble they cried to the LORD”)

Ephesians 2:1-10 (Saved by grace through faith for good works)

**759** ~ LBW 479 My faith looks up to thee

**623** ~ LBW 327 Rock of ages, cleft for me

**779** ~ LBW 448 Amazing grace

TFF 82 Oh, how he love you and me

TFF 184 Wonderful grace of Jesus

W&P 102 No longer strangers

W&P 112 Only by grace

John 3:14-21 (The lifting up of the Son of Man)

**666** ~ LBW 385 What wondrous love is this

**343** [LOVE UNKNOWN] ~ LBW 94 [RHOSYMEDRE] My song is love unknown

**856** ~ LBW 532 How great thou art

**456** ~ WOV 693 Baptized in water

**715** Christ, be our light

**323** God loved the world

W&P 25 By grace we have been saved

ACS 927 Christ is the life

March 17, 2024 - the Fifth Sunday in Lent - PURPLE

Jeremiah 31:31-34 (A new covenant written on the heart)

**772** ~ LBW 480 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways

**507** ~ LBW 237 O God of light

**676** ~ LBW 403 Lord, speak to us that we may speak

**398** ~ LBW 257 Holy Spirit, truth divine

**487** ~ WOV 701 What feast of love

Psalms 51:1-12 (“Create in me a clean heart, O God”)

**Or** Psalms 119:9-16 (“I treasure your promise in my heart”)

Hebrews 5:5-10 (Through suffering Christ becomes the source of salvation)

**340** ~ LBW 105 A lamb goes uncomplaining forth

**319** ~ LBW 99 O Lord, throughout these forty days

**802** ~ LBW 487 Let us ever walk with Jesus

**818** ~ LBW 492 O Master, let me walk with you

John 12:20-33 (Grain of wheat, lifted up)

**379** ~ LBW 148 Now the green blade rises

**506** ~ WOV 658 The word of God is source and seed

ACS 975 O God, whose word well-planted

ACS 1063 God of the fertile fields

March 28, 2021 - the Sunday of the Passion, Palm Sunday – SCARLET OR PURPLE

Mark 11:1-11 or John 12:12-16 (Processional Gospel)

**344** ~ LBW 108 All glory, laud, and honor

**346** ~ LBW 121 Ride on, ride on in majesty

**264** ~ LBW 26 Prepare the royal highway

ASC 928 Pave the way with branches

Isaiah 50:4-9a (The servant of the LORD submits to suffering)

**342** ~ WOV 668 There in God's garden

Psalms 31:9-16 ("O LORD, I am in trouble...")

Philippians 2:5-11 (Humbled to the point of death on a cross)

**416** ~ LBW 179 At the name of Jesus

**620** ~ LBW 345 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

**634** ~ LBW 328, 329 All hail the power of Jesus' name

**431** O Christ, what can it mean?

TFF 159 Take the name of Jesus with you

TFF 268 + W&P 77 Jesus, name above all names

W&P 127 Song over the waters

Mark 14:1--15:47 or 15:1-39 [40-47] (The Passion)

**353** ~ LBW 92 Were you there

**349** ~ LBW 123 Ah, holy Jesus

**324** ~ LBW 104 In the cross of Christ I glory

**338** ~ LBW 107 Beneath the cross of Jesus

**345** ~ LBW 115 Jesus, I will ponder

**343** ~ LBW 94 + WOV 661 My song is love unknown

**350** ~ TFF 80 They crucified my Lord

**803** [HAMBURG] ~ LBW 482 [ROCKINGHAM OLD] When I survey the wondrous cross

TFF 243 Your will be done

W&P 24 Broken in love

LBW 110 At the cross her station keeping

ASC 927 Christ is the life

March 28, 2004 - Maundy Thursday

ASC 930 Three holy days enfold us now [tune: ROCKINGHAM]

March 31, 2024 - The Festival of the Resurrection of our Lord, Easter Day - GOLD, WHITE

Acts 10:34-43 (God raised Jesus on the third day)

**377** ~ WOV 674 ~ TFF 91 Alleluia! Jesus is risen

WOV 671 Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks

*Alternate 1<sup>st</sup> Lesson* Isaiah 25:6-9 (The feast of victory)

**362** ~ LBW 210 At the Lamb's high feast we sing

**491** ~ LBW 214 + TFF 119 Come, let us eat

**531** The trumpets sound, the angels sing

WOV 679 Our paschal Lamb, that sets us free

Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24 ("This is the day that the LORD has made")

1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (Witnesses to the risen Christ)

**382** ~ LBW 131 Christ is risen! Alleluia!  
**368** ~ LBW 140 With high delight let us unite  
 W&P 151 We rejoice in the grace of God  
**390** The risen Christ  
**383** Christ is risen

Mark 16:1-8/John 20:1-18 (Seeing the risen Christ/Empty tomb, announcement of the resurrection)

ASC 933 Day of delight and beauty unbounded [IN DIR IST FREUDE]  
**370** ~ LBW 134 [Luther's Easter Hymn] Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands  
**385** ~ LBW 144 Good Christian friends rejoice and sing  
**367** ~ LBW 143 Now all the vault of heaven resounds  
**365** ~ LBW 151 Jesus Christ is risen today  
**366** ~ LBW 135 The strife is o'er; the battle done  
**384** [PUER NOBIS] ~ LBW 154 [ERSCHIENEN IST DER HERRLICH TAG] That  
 Easter day with joy was bright  
 TFF 88 O Mary, don't you weep  
 TFF 94 Up from the grave he arose  
 ACS 934 Christ is living  
 ACS 935 Woman weeping in the garden

April 7, 2024 - the Second Sunday of Easter - WHITE

Acts 4:32-35 (The believers common life)

**384** [PUER NOBIS] ~ LBW 154 [ERSCHIENEN IST DER HERRLICH TAG] That  
 Easter day with joy was bright  
**367** ~ LBW 143 Now all the vault of heaven resound  
**385** ~ LBW 144 Good Christians friends, rejoice and sing!  
**369** ~ LBW 128 Christ the Lord is risen today! Alleluia!

Psalms 133 ("Hallelujah! Praise the name of the LORD...")

1 John 1:1--2:2 (Walking in the light)

**376** ~ LBW 145 Thine is the glory [festive melody by Handel]  
**327** ~ LBW 355 Through the night of doubt and sorrow  
**500** ~ W&P 106 Now we remain  
**866** ~ WOV 650 and W&P 148 We are marching in the light of God  
 TFF 76 Would you be free

John 20:19-31 (Beholding the wounds of Christ)

**386** ~ LBW 139 O sons and daughters of the King [traditional for this day]  
**363** ~ LBW 132 Come, you faithful, raise the strain  
**635** ~ WOV 675 We walk by faith  
**390** The risen Christ  
 W&P 46 Go in peace and serve the Lord  
 W&P 129 Spirit of the living God  
 ACS 939 Touch that soothes and heals

April 14, 2024 - the Third Sunday of Easter - WHITE

Acts 3:12-19 (Health and forgiveness through the risen Jesus)

**361** ~ LBW 141 The day of resurrection

**370** ~ LBW 134 Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands  
Psalm 4 ("...the LORD does wonders for the faithful")  
1 John 3:1-7 (The revealing of the children of God)  
**781** ~ LBW 474 Children of the heavenly Father  
**286** ~ LBW 52 Your little ones, dear Lord, are we  
**752** ~ WOV 775 Lord, listen to your children praying  
 TFF 218 Behold, what manner of love  
Luke 24:36b-48 (Eating with the risen Christ)  
**362** ~ LBW 120 At the lamb's high feast we sing  
**574** ~ WOV 752 I, the Lord of sea and sky/Here I am Lord  
**579** ~ WOV 756 Lord, you give the great commission  
**669** ~ LBW 383 Rise up, O saints of God  
**661** ~ LBW 390 I love to tell the story  
**439** ~ TFF 38 Soon and very soon  
**374** Day of arising  
 ACS 966 Loaves were broken, words were spoken  
 ACS 963 Jesus Christ, our blessed savior

April 21, 2024 - the Fourth Sunday of Easter - WHITE

Acts 4:5-12 (Salvation in the name of Jesus)  
**656** ~ LBW 370 Blest be the tie that binds  
**686** ~ LBW 410 We give thee but thine own  
**456** ~ WOV 693 Baptized in water  
 WOV 696 I've just come from the fountain  
 W&P 77 Jesus, name above all names  
 W&P 100 Name above all names  
Psalm 23 ("The LORD is my shepherd")  
1 John 3:16-24 (Love in truth and action)  
**781** ~ LBW 474 Children of the heavenly Father  
**416** ~ LBW 179 At the name of Jesus  
**634** ~ LBW 328, 329 All hail the power of Jesus' name  
 WOV 749 When love is found  
John 10:11-18 (Christ the shepherd)  
**778** ~ LBW 451 The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want  
**502** ~ LBW 456 The king of love my shepherd is  
**789** (BRADBURY) and LBW 481 (HER VIL TIES) Savior, like a shepherd lead us  
**782** My shepherd, you supply my need  
**780** Shepherd me, O God  
**764** ~ LBW 764 Have no fear little flock  
 ACS 954 ~ You, Lord, are both lamb and shepherd

April 28, 2024 - the Fifth Sunday of Easter - WHITE

Acts 8:26-40 (Philip teaches and baptizes an Ethiopian)  
**450** ~ LBW 188 I bind unto myself today  
**449** ~ LBW 189 We know that Christ is raised  
**448** ~ LBW 195 This is the Spirit's entry

TFF 117 Take me to the water

Psalm 22:25-31 (“All the ends of the earth...turn to the LORD”)

1 John 4:7-21 (God’s love is perfected in love for one another)

**656** ~ LBW 370 Blest be the tie that binds

**836** ~ LBW 551 Joyful, joyful we adore thee

**818** ~ LBW 403 Lord, speak to us that we may speak

**676** ~ LBW 492 O Master, let me walk with you.

**708** ~ WOV 765 ~ TFF 83 Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love

W&P 67 I love you, Lord

WOV 749 Where love is found

John 15:1-8 (Christ the vine; connection to Christ)

**447** ~ WOV 695 O blessed spring

**377** ~ WOV 674 Alleluia! Jesus is risen

**403** ~ WOV 685 Like the murmur of the dove's song

**477** ~ WOV 700 I received the living God

629 ~ LBW 272 Abide with me

ACS 1049 Before the waters nourished earth

ACS 1040 Love brought us together

ACS 1044 Not for tongues of Heaven’s angels [tune: HYFRYDOL]

**Partnership Remembrance** involving the East of Lake Victoria Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania: on **May 14, 1989** the East of Lake Victoria Diocese came into being when 7 parishes were subdivided from the Central Diocese of the national church. (A “diocese” is an area served by a bishop and is thus the equivalent to the synods of the ELCA.) The diocese has since made remarkable growth in an area of Tanzania previously dominated by witchcraft and superstition-laden traditional native religion. The diocese now includes 72 parishes and 47,000 members, and is among the fastest growing of the national church’s 20 dioceses. On its web site, [www.elvd.net](http://www.elvd.net), it describes its commitment to “serve the people holistically—spiritually, physically, and mentally. The current bishop of the diocese is the Rev. Andrew Petro Gulle.

May 5, 2024 - the Sixth Sunday of Easter - WHITE

Acts 10:44-48 (The Spirit poured out on the Gentiles)

**445** ~ WOV 697 Wash, O God, our sons and daughters

**442** ~ LBW 194 All who believe and are baptized

**449** ~ LBW 189 We know that Christ is raised

Psalm 98 (“Should with joy to the LORD”)

1 John 5:1-6 (The victory of love) and Gospel of John 15:9-17 (Command to love one another)

**655** ~ LBW 364 Son of God, eternal Savior

**656** ~ LBW 370 Blest be the tie that binds

**836** ~ LBW 551 Joyful, joyful we adore thee

**818** ~ LBW 492 O Master, let me walk with you

WOV 749 Where love is found

**653** [Taizé], **642** [plainsong] ~ WOV 665 Where true charity and love abide

**358** ~ WOV 666 Great God, your love has called us

**359** ~ LBW 126 Where charity and love prevail

TFF 213 We shall overcome  
 ACS 1040 Love has brought us together (HYFRYDOL]  
 ACS 1038 God, we gather as your people  
 ACS 1044 Not for tongues of Heaven's angels

**[NOTE on Ascension Day.** According to the rubrics provided in the Propers for the 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter in *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (p.35): "If the Ascension is not celebrated on the previous Thursday, it may be observed on this day." Since Ascension is a major festival in itself, this rubric should probably be followed, if a parish is not holding a special Ascension Day service on the actual day itself. Also, the Propers of Ascension can be combined with those appointed for the 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter.]

May 12, 2024 – 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter {and Mother's Day}/also Festival of the Ascension of our Lord (*if transferred from May 9<sup>th</sup>*) - WHITE

Acts 1:1-11 (Jesus send the apostles)

**394** (with Ascension stanzas) ~ LBW 142 Hail thee, festival day

**594** [note stanza 7] ~ LBW 9 [note stanza 9] Dear Christians one and all  
 [Luther hymn]

**825** ~ LBW 252 You servants of God

**393** ~ LBW 157 A hymn of glory let us sing

**364** ~ WOV 678 ~ TFF 96 Christ has arisen, alleluia

Psalm 47 ("God has gone up with a shout")

**Or** Psalm 93 ("...you are from everlasting")

Ephesians 1:15-23 (Eyes to see the risen and ascended Christ)

**832** My Lord of light

W&P 136 The king of glory

Luke 24:44-53 (Christ present in all times and places)

**392** ~ LBW 158 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

**579** ~WOV 756 Lord, you give the great commission

**416** ~ LBW 179 At the name of Jesus

W&P 154 We will glorify

Hymns usable for Mother's Day, May 12, 2024

**640** ~ LBW 357 Our Father, by whose name

**813** Faith of our fathers (*Note stanza 2 in the revised text*)

**839, 840** ~ LBW 533, 554 Now thank we all our God

**Partnership Remembrance** involving the former Evangelical Lutheran Church of Mecklenburg and now part of the German Church of the North: On the festival of Pentecost 2012 (May 27) three previously autonomous Lutheran regional church bodies in Germany officially joined in "fusion" with one another, creating what is now known as *The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Northern Germany*, which has been nicknamed, *The Church of the North* (in German: "die Nordkirche"). The largest component of this new church body was the North Elbian Evangelical Lutheran Church, which stretched from Hamburg to Lübeck, and brought along 594 congregations and over 2 million church members. Smaller was the Evangelical Lutheran church body in Mecklenburg with 269 congregations and around 200,000 members. The smallest of the fusing bodies was the Evangelical Church of Pomerania with 202 congregations and around 100,000 members. The Church of the NorthThe Mecklenburg regional church had been in partnership with the Southern Ohio Synod for over 20 years previously, and now we are

partners with the whole of the Church of the North. Current presiding bishop is the Rev. Kristina Kühnbaum-Schmidt. The territory of this church stretches across northern Germany from the North Sea to Poland.

May 19, 2024 - the Festival of Pentecost - RED

Acts 2:1-21 (Filled with the Spirit to tell God's deeds)

**395** ~ LBW 163 Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord [Luther hymn]

**743** ~ LBW 317 To God (Now to) the Holy Spirit, let us pray [Luther hymn]

**627** ~ LBW 161 O day full of grace

**399** ~ WOV 688 O Holy Spirit, root of life

**412** Come, join the dance of the Trinity

TFF 41 I want to be ready

TFF 105 Oh, let the Son of God enfold you

W&P 127 Song over the waters

W&P 157 Wind of the Spirit

*Alternate 1st Lesson - Ezekiel 37:1-14 (Life to dry bones)*

**816** ~ LBW 513 Come, my way, my truth, my life

**406** ~ WOV 686 Veni Sancte Spiritus

**506** ~ WOV 658 The Word of God is source and seed

Psalms 104:24-34, 35b ("You send forth your Spirit...")

Romans 8:22-27 (Praying with the Spirit)

**745** ~ LBW 438 Lord, teach us how to pray aright

**402** ~ LBW 441 Eternal Spirit of the living Christ

**328** ~ WOV 662 Restore in us, O God

**622** Neither death nor life

WOV 680 O Spirit of life

TFF 241 Every time I feel the Spirit

W&P 129 Spirit of the living God

W&P 134 That we may be filled

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15 (Christ sends the Spirit of truth)

**800** ~ LBW 486 Spirit of God, descend upon my heart

**804** ~ LBW 508 Come down, O love divine

**404** ~ LBW 475 Come, gracious Spirit, heavenly dove

**786** ~ LBW 459 O Holy Spirit, enter in

**773** ~ TFF 193 Precious Lord, take my hand

LBW 160 Filled with the Spirit's power

**Special Southern Ohio Synod Remembrance:** The Southern Ohio Synod held its Constituting Assembly in Columbus, Ohio, on May 31 - June 2, 1987. As one of the 66 constituent synods of the recently organized Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, our new synod brought together for the lower section of Ohio some 247 congregations of the former American Lutheran Church, the Lutheran Church in American, and the Association of Evangelical Lutheran Churches. Historically, this represented a reunification of several strands of Lutheranism that shared common roots dating back to the first Lutheran synod assembly ever held in Ohio. That first synod met on September 14, 1818, in the southern Ohio town of Somerset in Perry County, and could be considered the ancestral founding date of our present synod.



May 26, 2024 - the Festival of the Holy Trinity, the Sunday after Pentecost - WHITE  
Isaiah 6:1-8 (Isaiah's vision and call)

*(Note: on this occasion the hymns indicated by the asterisk can be used in place of the "Holy, holy, Holy" in the eucharistic liturgy.)*

\***868** ~ LBW 528 Isaiah in a vision did of old [from Luther's German Mass of 1526]

**413** ~ LBW 165 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty

**414** ~ LBW 535 Holy God, we praise your name

\***762** Holy, holy, holy [CUELLAR]

\***473** Holy, holy, holy [ARGENTINE SANTO]

ACS 943 As the wind song

ACS 945 O Spirit all-embracing

ACS 945 When you send forth your Spirit

WOV 631 Lift up your heads, O Gates

TFF 143 The Lord is in his holy temple

Psalm 29 ("...worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness")

Romans 8:12-17 (Living by the Spirit)

**807** ~ LBW 499 Come, thou fount of every blessing

**411** ~ LBW 374 We all believe in one true God [Luther hymn; can be used in place of creed in the liturgy]

**408** ~ LBW 522 Come, thou almighty king

**521** ~ LBW 251 O day of rest and gladness

**819** ~ WOV 717 Come, all you people

**622** Neither death nor life

ACS 946 The play of the Godhead

ACS 947 Source and sovereign, rock and cloud

John 3:1-17 (Entering the reign of God through water and the Spirit)

**735** ~ WOV 769 Mothering God, you gave me birth

**410** ~ LBW 166 All glory be to God on high

**323** ~ LBW 292 God loved the world

**666** ~ LBW 385 What wondrous love is this

**457** ~ W&P 145 Waterlife

**323** ~ 135 God so loved the world

ACS 948 Womb and life and source of being

W&P 25 By grace we have been saved

W&P 157 Wind of the Spirit

June 2, 2024 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary # 9 – GREEN

Psalm 81:1-10 (Sing with joy to God our strength)

**606** ~ WOV 733 Our Father we have wandered

2 Corinthians 4:5-12 (We see the glory of God in Jesus' face)

**715** Christ be our light

**673** ~ LBW 400 God, whose almighty Word

**843** Praise the One who breaks the darkness

**671** ~ WOV 723 The Spirit sends us forth to serve

Deuteronomy 5:12-15 & Mark 2:23—3:6 (Issues of Sabbath behavior)

**521** ~ LBW 251 O day of rest and gladness

**522** As we gather at your table

**526** ~ WOV 719 God is here!

**530** Here, O Lord, your servants gather

**551** ~ WOV 723 The Spirit sends us forth to serve

ACS 1029 In the peace of God find rest

June 9, 2024 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Lectionary # 10 – GREEN

Genesis 3:8-15 (Accountability for sin; the fall of Adam and Eve)

**606** ~ WOV 733 Our Father we have wandered

**619** ~ LBW 109 Go to dark Gethsemane

**705** ~ LBW 415 God grace and God of glory

LBW 372 In Adam we have all been one

Psalms 130 (“with you is forgiveness”)

**600** ~ LBW 295 Out of the depths I cry to you

2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1 (Knowledge of the risen Christ; unseen eternity)

**635** ~ WOV 675 We walk by faith and not by sight

**619** ~ LBW 352 I know that my Redeemer lives

**834** ~ LBW 526 Immortal, invisible, God only wise

**449** ~ LBW 189 We know that Christ is raised

**328** ~ WOV 662 Restore us, O God

Mark 3:20-35 (The accusation that Jesus was possessed by Beelzubul)

**886** ~ LBW 559 Oh, for a thousand tongues

**503, 504, 505** ~ LBW 228/229 A mighty fortress is our God

**516** ~ LBW 234 Almighty God your Word is cast

**785** ~ LBW 346 When peace like a river

ACS 1016 Cast out, O Christ

June 16, 2024 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #11 – GREEN -

Ezekiel 17:22-24 (The sign of the cedar, planted on the mountain of Israel)

**334** Tree of life and awesome mystery

**734** God, whose form is all creation

WOV 767 All things bright and beautiful

W&P 138 The trees of the field

Psalms 92:1-4, 12-15 (“The LORD is my rock...”)

2 Corinthians 5:6-10 [11-13] 14-17 (Christ, a new creation)

**449** ~ LBW 189 We know that Christ is raised

**669** ~ LBW 383 Rise up, O saints of God

**383** ~ WOV 672 Christ is risen! Shout hosanna

**428** Give thanks for saints

WOV 781 My life flows on in endless song

WOV 662 Restore in us, O God

Mark 4:26-34 (The parable of the mustard seed)

**680, 681** ~ LBW 362 We plow the fields and scatter

**516** ~ LBW 234 Almighty God, your word is cast

**379** ~ LBW 148 Now the green blade rises

**508** As rain from the clouds

**330** Seed that in earth is dying

LBW 236 When seed falls on good soil

WOV 753 You are the seed

**Father's Day:** 640 ~ LBW 357 Our Father, by whose name  
812, 813 ~ LBW Faith of our fathers

## ----Planning Further Ahead: the Bread Sundays ----

**The "Bread" Sundays:** Beginning with Lectionary Sunday #17 (July 26<sup>th</sup>) the Revised Common Lectionary provides a focus on Jesus as "bread" for a succession of five Sundays. This could be developed in a "mini" sermon series.

July 28<sup>th</sup> - Lectionary Sunday #17 -- 2 Kings & Gospel of John (crowds are fed bread with meager supplies)

August 4<sup>th</sup> - Lectionary Sunday #18 - Exodus (manna); John (Jesus, the bread of life)

August 11<sup>th</sup> - Lectionary Sunday #19 -- 1 Kings (Elijah nurtured); John (those who eat the "bread of life" will live forever")

August 18<sup>th</sup> - Lectionary Sunday #20 - Proverbs (Wisdom's meal); John (Jesus as the living bread which comes down from heaven)

August 25<sup>th</sup> - Lectionary Sunday #21 - John (eating Jesus' flesh and drinking his blood brings life)

Obviously, this would be another appropriate time for weekly Eucharist, if this is not the congregation's normal practice.

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June 23, 2024 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #12 -GREEN

Job 38:1-11 (The creator of heaven and earth)

856 ~ LBW 532 How great thou art

830 ~ LBW 515 How marvelous God's greatness

251 ~ WOV 730 My soul proclaims your greatness

ACS 1064 Earth is full of wit and wisdom

Psalms 107:1-3, 23-32 ("When you hide your face, they are terrified")

2 Corinthians 6:1-13 (Paul's defense of his ministry)

309 ~ LBW 86 The only Son from heaven

355, 356 ~ LBW 118 Sing, my tongue

795 ~ LBW 507 How firm a foundation

WOV 659 O sun of justice

Mark 4:35-41 (Christ, calming the sea)

755 ~ LBW 334 Jesus, Savior, pilot me

756 ~ LBW 467 Eternal Father, strong to save (AKA: *the Navy hymn*)

794 Calm to the waves

763 ~ WOV 781 My life flows on in endless song

LBW 498 All who would valiant be

ACS 1022 God bless the hands

TFF 173 When upon life's billows

TFF 198 When the storms of life are raging

TFF 206 We are often tossed and driven  
 TFF 251 Like a ship that is tossed and driven

June 30, 2024 - 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #13 - GREEN

Lamentations 3:22-33 (Great is the Lord's faithfulness)

**733** ~ WOV 771 and TFF 283 Great is thy faithfulness

**631** ~ LBW 315 Love divine, all loves excelling

**666** ~ LBW 385 What wondrous love is this

LBW 298 One there is, above all others

**OR** Wisdom of Solomon 1:13-15; 2:23-24 (God created humankind for immortality)

**619** ~ LBW 352 I know that my Redeemer lives

**624** ~ LBW 341 Jesus still lead on

**449** ~ LBW 189 We know that Christ is raised

Psalms 30 ("O LORD...you have lifted me up")

2 Corinthians 8:7-15 (Excel in generosity, following the Lord Jesus)

**678** ~ LBW 408 God, whose giving knows no ending

**686** ~ LBW 410 We give thee but thine own

**691** ~ WOV 759 Accept, O Lord, the gifts we bring

Mark 5:21-43 (Christ healing a woman and Jairus' daughter)

**610** ~ LBW 360 O Christ, the healer, we have come

**617** We come to you for healing, Lord

**614** ~ WOV 737 and TFF 185 There is a balm in Gilead

**612** ~ WOV 738 Healer of our every ill

**607** ~ TFF 186 Come, ye disconsolate

**779** ~ LBW 448 Amazing grace, how sweet the sound

ACS 1017 Come to me, O weary traveler

ACS 1020 Let my spirit always sing

Hymns in anticipation of Independence Day

**888** O Beautiful for spacious skies

**890** ~ LBW 332 Mine eyes have seen the glory

**891** ~ LBW 569 God bless our native land

July 7, 2024 - 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #14 - GREEN

Ezekiel 2:1-5 (The call of Ezekiel)

**705** ~ LBW 415 God of grace and God of glory

Psalms 123 ("...our eyes look to you, O LORD")

2 Corinthians 12:2-10 (God's power made perfect in weakness)

**618** ~ LBW 343 Guide me ever, great Redeemer

**592** ~ LBW 296 Just as I am without one plea

**779** ~ LBW 448 Amazing grace, how sweet the sound

**623** ~ LBW 327 Rock of ages, cleft for me

**774** ~ WOV 780 Leaning on the everlasting arms

**626** ~ WOV 736 By gracious power [a Bonhoeffer text]

**790** ~ WOV 746 Day by day

W&P 41 Give thanks

Mark 6:1-13 (Sending of the Twelve to preach and heal)

- 669** ~ LBW 383 Rise up, O saints of God!  
**665** ~ LBW 393 Rise, shine, you people!  
**615** ~ WOV 739 In all our grief [could be used as Kyrie in the liturgy]  
**773** ~ WOV 731 and TFF 193 Precious Lord, take my hand

Hymns for use in the observance of Independence Day

(ELW has Propers for the "National Holiday" on page 63.)

- 888** O beautiful for spacious skies  
**890** ~ LBW 332 Mine eyes have seen the glory  
 LBW 566 My country 'tis of thee  
**889** The right hand of God

July 14, 2024 - 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #15 - GREEN

Amos 7:7-15 (The sign of the plumb line: God's judgment on Israel)

- 710** Let streams of living justice  
**717** ~ WOV 763 Let justice flow like streams  
 ACS 1053 A river flows through Babylon

Psalms 85:8-13 ("I will listen to what the LORD God is saying")

Ephesians 1:3-14 (Chosen in Christ to live to the praise of God's glory)

- 705** ~ LBW 415 God of grace and God of glory  
**781** ~ LBW 474 Children of the heavenly Father  
**815** ~ WOV 649 I want to walk as a child of the light  
 TFF 69 What can wash away my sin?  
 TFF 139 What a blessing  
 W&P 133 That Christ be known  
 W&P 136 The king of glory

Mark 6:14-29 (The death of John the Baptist)

- 421** [with stanzas 14] ~ LBW 178 [with stanza 15] By all your saints in warfare  
**618** ~ LBW 343 Guide me ever, great redeemer  
**600** ~ LBW 295 Out of the depths I cry to you  
 WOV 656 By the Babylonian rivers

July 21, 2024 - 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #16 - GREEN

Jeremiah 23:1-6 (From David's line, a righteous shepherd for Israel)

- 789** (BRADBURY) and LBW 481 (HER VIL TIES) Savior, like a shepherd lead us  
**782** My shepherd, you supply my need  
**780** Shepherd me, O God  
**778** ~ LBW 451 The Lord's my shepherd  
**502** ~ LBW 456 The king of love my shepherd is

Psalms 23 ("The LORD is my shepherd...")

Ephesians 2:11-22 (Reconciled to God through Christ, our peace)

- 323** God loved the world  
**496** ~ WOV 710 One bread, one body  
**650** ~ LBW 359 In Christ there is no east or west  
**654** ~ LBW 369 The church's one foundation  
 TFF 111 I've just come from the fountain  
 W&P 102 No longer strangers

Mark 6:30-34; 53-56 (Christ healing the multitudes)

- 507** ~ LBW 237 O God of light, your Word, a lamp  
**610** ~ LBW 360 O Christ, the healer, we have come  
**617** We come to you for healing, Lord  
**614** ~ WOV 737 and TFF 185 There is a balm in Gilead  
**612** ~ WOV 738 Healer of our every ill  
**607** ~ TFF 186 Come, ye disconsolate

July 28, 2024 - 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #17 - GREEN  
Ephesians 3:14-21 (Prayer for wisdom, strength, and Christ's indwelling)

- 452** ~ WOV 745 Awake, O sleeper  
**467** ~ LBW 217 We place upon your table, Lord  
 W&P 2 A story for all people  
 W&P 130 Spirit song

Psalms 145:10-18 ("You...satisfy the desire of every living thing")  
2 Kings 4:42-44 (Elijah feeding a hundred people) and John 6:1-21 (Christ feeding five thousand)

- 515** ~ LBW 235 Break now the bread of life  
**775** ~ LBW 457, 458 Jesus priceless treasure  
**494** ~ LBW 200 For the bread, which you have broken  
**472** ~ WOV 709 + TFF 125 Eat this bread  
**674** ~ WOV 754 + TFF 232 Let us talents and tongues employ  
**535** ~ TFF 158 Hallelujah! We sing your praises  
**480** O bread of life from heaven

August 4, 2024 - 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #18 - GREEN  
Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15 (The LORD gives manna in the wilderness)

- 491** ~ LBW 214 Come, let us eat  
**471** ~ LBW 212 Let us break bread together on our knees  
**362** ~ LBW 210 At the lamb's high feast  
**647** Glorious things of you are spoken ~ LBW 358 Glories of your name are spoken

Psalms 78:23-29 ("...mortals ate the bread of angels...")

Ephesians 4:1-16 (Maintain the unity of the faith)

- 576** ~ WOV 755 We all are one in mission  
**458** ~ LBW 91 Praise and thanksgiving be to God  
**579** ~ WOV 756 Lord, you give the great commission  
**798** ~ W&P 137 The summons/Will you come and follow me  
 WOV 748 +TFF 217 + W&P Bind us together, Lord  
 W&P 102 No longer strangers

John 6:24-35 (Christ, the bread of life)

- 542** ~ LBW 197 O living bread from heaven  
**495** ~ LBW 207 We who once were dead  
**618** ~ LBW 343 Guide me ever, great redeemer  
**477** ~ WOV 700 I received the living God  
**487** ~ WOV 701 What feast of love  
**485** ~ WOV 702 I am the bread of life

**472** ~ WOV 709 + TFF 125 Eat this bread  
**480** O bread of life from heaven  
 TFF 124 Fill my cup, Lord

August 11, 2024 - 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #19 - GREEN

1 Kings 19:4-8 (Elijah receives bread for his journey)

**618** ~ LBW 343 Guide me ever, great Redeemer  
**484** ~ WOV 711 You satisfy the hungry heart  
**492** ~ WOV 706 Eat this bread, drink this cup

Psalms 34:1-8 ("Taste and see that the LORD is good")

Ephesians 4:25-5:2 (Put away evil, live in love)

**656** ~ LBW 370 Blest be the tie that binds  
**676** ~ LBW 403 Lord, speak to us, that we may speak  
**818** ~ LBW 492 O Master, let me walk with you  
**358** ~ WOV 666 Great God, your love has called us  
**692** We are an offering  
 WOV 664 A new commandment  
 WOV 749 When love is found  
 TFF 124 Fill my cup, Lord  
 TFF 156 Come to Jesus

John 6:35, 41-51 (Eat my flesh and drink my blood)

**488** ~ LBW 224 Soul, adorn yourself with gladness [tune: SCHMÜCKE DICH]  
**489** Soul, adorn yourself with gladness [tune: CANTO AL BORINQUEN]  
 [Consult the listings for July 26<sup>th</sup> and August 2<sup>nd</sup>]

August 18, 2024 – 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #20 – GREEN

Proverbs 9:1-6 (Invited to dine at wisdom's feast)

**488** ~ LBW 224 Soul, adorn yourself with gladness [tune: SCHMÜCKE DICH]  
**489** Soul, adorn yourself with gladness [tune: CANTO AL BORINQUEN]  
**484** ~ WOV 711 You satisfy the hungry heart

Psalms 34:9-14 ("...those who seek the LORD lack nothing")

Ephesians 5:15-20 (Filled with the Spirit, sing thanks to God)

**705** ~ LBW 415 God of grace and God of glory  
**821** Shout to the Lord  
**822** ~ WOV 795 Oh, sing to the Lord  
**861** ~ WOV 799 When long before time  
**850** [FREDERICKTOWN], **851** ~ WOV 802 [ENGELBERG] When in our music  
 God is glorified  
 WOV 793 Shout for joy loud and long  
 TFF 253 Just a closer walk with thee  
 TFF 292 Give thanks  
 W&P 129 Spirit of the living God

John 6:51-58 (Eat my flesh and drink my blood)

[Consult the listings for July 26<sup>th</sup> and August 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>]

August 25, 2024 - 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #21 - GREEN

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18 (Joshua calls all Israel to serve the LORD)

**662** ~ LBW 386 Christ is the king!  
**727** ~ LBW 421 Lord Christ, when first you came to earth  
 LBW 512 Oh, blest the house (Note stanza 4)  
 LBW 270 God of our life, all glorious Lord (Note stanza 2)  
 TFF 236 Some folk would rather have houses

Psalm 34:15-22 ("The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous...")

Ephesians 6:10-20 (Put on the armor of God)

**503, 504, 505** ~ LBW 228, 229 A mighty fortress is our God  
 LBW 373 Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round (Note stanza 4)  
 LBW 389 Stand up, stand up for Jesus  
 LBW 529 Praise God. Praise him.  
 W&P 15 Be bold, be strong

John 6:56-69 (The bread of eternal life)

**468** ~ LBW 496 Around you, O Lord Jesus  
**490** ~ LBW 198 Let all mortal flesh keep silence  
**462** ~ LBW 203 Now we join in celebration  
**472** [BERTHIER] Eat this bread  
**492** ~ WOV 709 [STONERIDGE] Eat this bread  
**485** ~ WOV 702 I am the bread of life  
**469** By your hand you feed your people

**Partnership Remembrance** involving the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kazakhstan: In the 18<sup>th</sup> century, a former German princess, later known as Catherine the Great, became the tsarina of Russia. Having pushed her husband aside, she herself became the all-powerful tsar. During her long reign, she actively encouraged large numbers of Germans to settle in the Volga region of her country. These people flourished in their new homeland. However, during World War II, when Nazi Germany invaded Russia, the Soviet dictator, Joseph Stalin, doubted the loyalty of the many Russians of German ancestry. On September 1, 1944, he ordered their mass removal to far-off Kazakhstan and Siberia. Some one million Volga Germans were involved. Despite great suffering, some of them became the founders of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kazakhstan. During the post war era, the church there grew to some 230 congregations. However, the fall of Soviet Communism in 1991 allowed freedom of movement, and large numbers of these ethnic Germans chose to emigrate to Germany, leaving behind a much reduced Lutheran presence. Currently, the Kazakhstan Lutheran Church has some 50 congregations, which exist as a tiny religious minority in a largely Muslim society (70%). The largest Christian presence in the population is the Russian Orthodox Church (23%). Lutherans face a number of strictures laid down by the government, but the church lives on. The Kazakh Church has an official partnership the Southern Ohio Synod and also with the Church of the North in Germany. Serving as bishop is the Rev. Yuri Novgorodov, who has visited the Southern Ohio Synod a number of times in the past.

September 1, 2024 - 15<sup>th</sup> after Pentecost, Lectionary Sunday #22 - GREEN

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9 (God's law, a sign of a great nation)

**772** ~ LBW 480 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways  
 LBW 504 O God, my faithful God

Psalm 15 ("LORD...who may abide upon your holy hill?")

James 1:17-27 (Be doers of the word, not hearers only)

**686** ~ LBW 410 We give thee but thine own



**708** ~ WOV 765 Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love

**728** ~ WOV 764 Blest are they

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 (authentic religion)

**512** ~ WOV 713 Lord, let my heart be good soil

**804** ~ LBW 508 Come down, O love divine

**606** ~ LBW WOV 733 Our Father, we have wandered

**607** ~ TFF 186 Come, ye disconsolate

WOV 732 Create in me a clean heart

TFF 188 I was sinking deep in sin

Completed on August 18, 2023, by the soothing waters of Buckeye Lake, Ohio's oldest state park and originally a water reservoir at a high point on the course of the Ohio-Erie Canal.

–Bill Rauch