

**Order of Worship  
November 22, 2020**

PRELUDE

*Nun danket alle Gott by Georg Friedrich Kaufmann*

James Stanley

GREETING/PASSING THE PEACE

OPENING HYMN

*We Gather Together* 131

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S TIME

**11:00 Only** SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Joey and Nolan Fleming

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**THE LORD'S PRAYER Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those, who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Esther 8: 1-6

SERMON

Offering Intro

OFFERTORY

*Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König der Ehren* by Johann Gottfried Walther

PRAYER FOR A BRICK AND MORTAR LIFE 2020.

**God, I give you my every day, ordinary life—my sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life. Receive this offering, so that everything about me is a reflection of you. In the construction of my life, may you be the mortar between the bricks, building me up and holding me together. Amen.**

HYMN OF COMMITMENT

*Come Ye Thankful People Come* 694

**9:00** BENEDICTION

11:00 GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them up to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*Holy, holy, holy Lord.*

*God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

*Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.*

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*

*Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.*

Holy are you and blessed your Son Jesus Christ.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, Christ gave thanks to you, broke bread (*break the bread*), gave it to his disciples and said, "Take eat. This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup (*pour into the chalice*), gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; for this is my blood poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice in union with Christ's offering for us as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

*Christ has died. Christ is risen, Christ will come again. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.*

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us, gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world, the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever.

*Amen. Amen. Amen. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.*

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

### Introduction

Brothers and sisters in Christ: Through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

I present **Nolan Timothy** and **Joseph Timothy Fleming** for baptism

### Questions for Joey and Jennifer:

On behalf of the whole church, I ask you:

Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world and repent of your sin? **We do.**

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves? **We do.**

Do you profess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races? **We do.**

Joey will kneel

**Joseph Timothy**, I baptize you in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ.

*Joey will stand and David will ask he and Jennifer:*

Will you nurture **Nolan** in Christ's holy church, that by your teaching and example he may be guided to accept God's grace for himself, to profess his faith openly, and to lead a Christian life? **We do.**

### For the Congregation:

Jesus calls us to welcome children into the full life of our community, opening our hearts to those most vulnerable, offering the wisdom of the ages to all who hunger to learn and grow.

Do you, who witness and celebrate this sacrament, promise your love, support, and care to **James** as he lives and grows in the Christian community?

**We do.**

### Act of Baptism

**Nolan Timothy**, I baptize you in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ.

### Vow of Membership for Joey

Joey, will you live your faith in Jesus Christ out in this congregation through your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness?

**I will**

### **Prayer of Dedication**

Spirit of the Living God, once again you have taken the substance of earth in your gentle hands, fashioned it in your likeness, and given it the breath of life. We give you thanks for the life of *Joey and Nolan*, whom you have entrusted to the world's care. Send your blessing and your peace upon their family, that their love for one another and for you may grow. Help us to see the reflection of your image in *Joey and Nolan* that we may always see you in them. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Congregational Response: **Joey and Nolan, God claims you, God helps you, protects you, and loves you too.**

We are here to say this day that we will help you on your way. Joey and Nolan, God Claims you, God Helps you, protects you and loves you, too.”

### We Gather Together

1 We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;  
He chastens and hastens his will to make known;  
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.  
Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.  
2 Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,  
Ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine;  
So from the beginning the fight we were winning;  
Thou, Lord, wast at our side; all glory be thine!  
3 We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant,  
And pray that thou still our defender wilt be.  
Let thy congregation escape tribulation;  
Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

### Come Ye Thankful

1 Come, ye thankful people, come,  
raise the song of harvest home;  
all is safely gathered in,  
ere the winter storms begin.  
God our Maker doth provide  
for our wants to be supplied;  
come to God's own temple, come,  
raise the song of harvest home.  
2 All the world is God's own field,  
fruit as praise to God we yield;  
wheat and tares together sown

are to joy or sorrow grown;  
first the blade and then the ear,  
then the full corn shall appear;  
Lord of harvest, grant that we  
wholesome grain and pure may be.

3 For the Lord our God shall come,  
and shall take the harvest home;  
from the field shall in that day  
all offenses purge away,  
giving angels charge at last  
in the fire the tares to cast;  
but the fruitful ears to store  
in the garner evermore.

4 Even so, Lord, quickly come,  
bring thy final harvest home;  
gather thou thy people in,  
free from sorrow, free from sin,  
there, forever purified,  
in thy presence to abide;  
come, with all thine angels, come,  
raise the glorious harvest home.