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Liturgical Insights

Sanctus / Holy, Holy, Holy

The Sanctus is in the Communion part of the Divine Service. The text comes from Isaiah's vision of heaven (Isaiah 6) and John's vision of heaven in Revelation (Revelation 4) and includes a phrase from the Palm Sunday Gospel, "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest" (Matthew 21:9). It is thought to have this place in the liturgy, at the end of a prayer of thanksgiving before the words of institution, since the fifth century. It's origins in Christian worship may go back to the second century.

The use of "Holy, holy, holy," together with "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord" has some doctrinal implications. When they heard the song or shout of the angels, "Holy, holy, holy," Isaiah and John were in the presence of God. The Palm Sunday acclamation also states, "Your Savior is here." There is a connection between the Sanctus and the doctrine of the real presence in the Lord's Supper.

Here is the standard liturgical text from ELLC:

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

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Text in Latin:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus

Dominus Deus Sabaoth.

Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.

Hosanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.

Hosanna in excelsis.

Church Events

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

- 8:00 am Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00 am Eucharistic Worship with Choir
Installation of Church Officers
- 10:15 am Bell Choir Rehearsal
5th Sunday Fellowship (Acker Hall)
- 6:00 pm Adult Bible Study (Zoom)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31

- 7:00 pm Pray, Knit & Crochet Group (Narthex)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

- 9:30 am Eucharist (Zoom)
- 12:30 pm First Ladies AA Meeting (Rm 114)
- 6:00 pm Youth Confirmation Class
- 6:30 pm Wednesday Women's Group (Narthex)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2

- 6:30 pm Tai Chi (Acker Hall)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

- 8:00 am Eucharistic Worship
- 9:15 am Sunday School
Education Hour with Pastor Bryan
Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 am Eucharistic Worship with Choir
- 11:45 am Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 pm Adult Bible Study (Zoom)

CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE

The committee has finished their work with our church directory and has turned in their draft to Unique Church Solutions by UCD for preparation. We are incredibly indebted to Michelle Steen for her work with the activity pages and to Regina Marohn for her work with the roster. We are hopeful to have the directory delivered to the congregation by Easter.

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY

New Member Sunday will be March 5, 2023 at the 10:30 AM service. This will include transfers as well as adult confirmands.

INSTALLATION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ELDERS

The installation of church leadership is a major day on any church calendar. Join us this Sunday, Jan 29 at 9:00 AM as we install those who have been elected to serve on the Board of Directors and Elders. Fellowship will follow in Acker Hall.

YOUTH FUNDRAISER

SAVE THE DATE: Pacific Hills youth are planning a pre-Mardi Gras meal for Saturday, Feb. 18, at 6 p.m. in Acker Hall. The meal is a fundraiser for the next Lutheran Youth Gathering in New Orleans. We'll have jambalaya with shrimp, chicken and sausage; red beans and rice; lettuce salad; cornbread; and king cake for dessert. Suggested donation: \$20 per person age 12 and older. We hope to see you there!

CONCORDIA REGISTRATION & EVENTS

K-12 registration is open for the '23-'24 school year! Please join us at Concordia Academy on Thursday, Feb. 2nd from 4:00-7:00 PM for a Concordia Academy Open House (grades K-5th). This open house will occur at our current location, which is 1821 N. 90th St. Please note that there will be information sessions for graded and I-gnite classrooms at 5:00 and 6:00. We look forward to seeing you there!

For more information visit WWW.CONCORDIAOMAHA.ORG

JANUARY MISSION OF THE MONTH

The month of January is regarded as Sanctity of Life Month. This year we are once again partnering with Essential Pregnancy Services of Omaha in our effort to make a difference in the lives of at risk mothers and their unborn and newly born children. As such, we are collecting diapers for children newborn to age 2. Also needed are baby bottles, diaper cream, onesies, 18-24 mo. long sleeve; pullups, sizes 2T-5T; silicone teething, sippy cups, thermometers and toys for babies and toddlers. Cash donations are also much appreciated.

BIBLE VERSE of the Week

"This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him."

(John 2:11)

ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICES

PHLC website: www.pacifichillslutheran.org

BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM

Dr. Bob Vandervort and a bible study group are studying the 1st Samuel via ZOOM every Sunday evening from 6:00 — 6:45 pm. Please email him at rsvod@cox.net or 402-350-0872 for more information.

2023 OFFERING ENVELOPES DELAYED

2023 envelopes should be received in the first quarter (see below). In the meantime:

- Use any 2022 envelopes you have remaining and adjust the date.
- Otherwise, use the temporary envelopes in the back provided by the usher or your own envelope. Please legibly print your name and offering number on the envelope.
- Provide written instructions for offerings not intended for the general fund.
- Please do not tape or staple unless coins are included in the envelope.

NEW ENVELOPE SYSTEM

For many reasons, the Board of Directors has approved a new envelope system and company. The new system is one where giving envelopes are mailed to your home bi-monthly and the new company is called American Church. This system was very successful at pastor's former congregation and we believe this system will be a better system for us: They reduce waste. They are convenient. They are a regular reminder to practice good stewardship. Addresses can be regularly updated. New envelopes are always available for people who join. The first set of envelopes "should" arrive before February 5, 2023.

SECOND READERS NEEDED!

Please sign-up on the sheet in the narthex.

ALTAR FLOWERS



Have an upcoming celebration or anniversary? Altar flowers may be placed for any celebration, remembrance or to the Glory of God. Please share your request or intention with Kim at: KimKielty@PacificHillsLutheran.org or call the office. The cost is \$25.