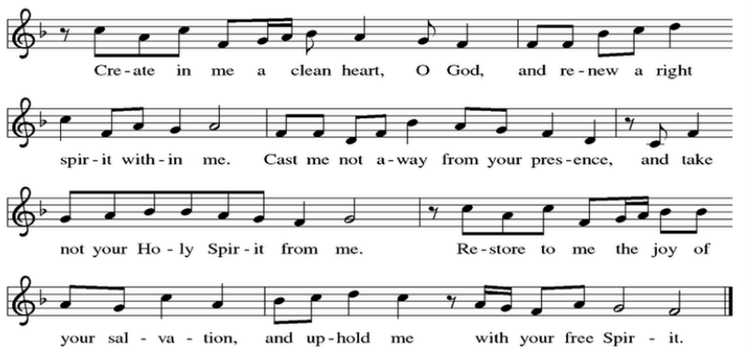
Offering by the Handbells **"Battle Hymn of the Republic"**

Offertory

Offering Hymn No. 186 **"Create in Me a Clean Heart"**



Prayers of the Church

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: Please hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

C: 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 and ever. Amen.

Benediction

L: The holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God, today and always.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn (See Insert) **"God Bless America"**

Dismissal

L: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Welcome to Worship



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Prelude

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Peace

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, whose compassion endures forever.

C: Amen.

L: Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: Compassionate God, we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray,

C: Amen

L: Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.

C: Amen.

Opening Hymn No. 504 **"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"**

Greeting

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Kyrie **Pages 147-148**



Hymn of Praise **Pages 149-150**



Prayer of the Day

C: O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

First Reading **Amos 5:18-24 – Page 747**

Second Reading **1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 – Page 960**

Gospel Acclamation **Page 151**



Gospel

L: The holy gospel according to Matthew.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 25:1-13 – Pages 806-807

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn No. 669 **"Rise Up, O Saints of God!"**

Children's Sermon

Sermon **Pastor Chad Power**

Hymn No. 893 (Sat.) **Before You Lord, We Bow"**

***The Handbells & Kathy Schultz on Flute* (Sun.)** **See Insert "Patriotic Medley"**

Apostles' Creed ***Page 217***

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.