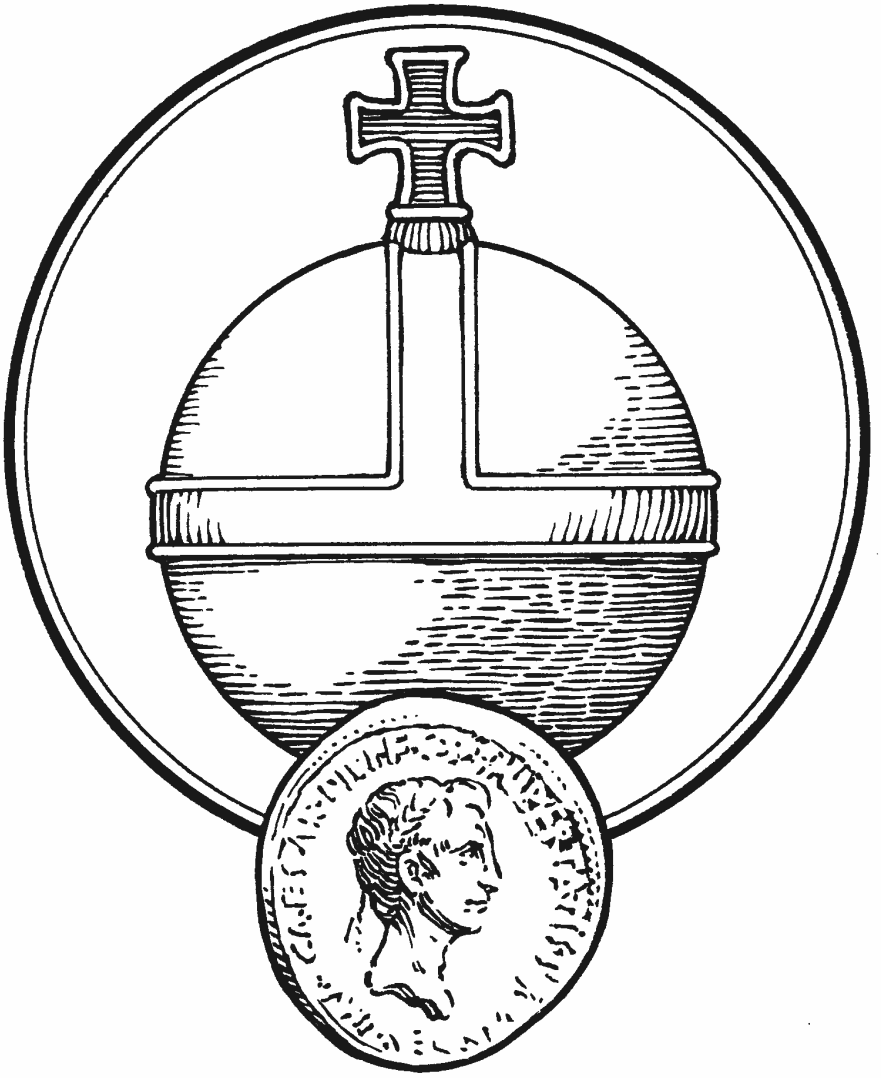
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Twenty-third Sunday of Trinity

Divine Service One

November 8, 2026

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Opening Hymn **#645 Built on the Rock**



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Tune: Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–87
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Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

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Introit *(sung responsively with the choir)*

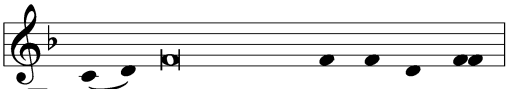


I know the plans I have for you, de- | clares the LORD,*
plans for wholeness and not for | evil.
Then you will call upon me and come and | pray to me,*
and I will | hear you.
LORD, you were favorable | to your land;*
you restored the fortunes of | Jacob.
Show us your steadfast love, | O LORD,*
and grant us your sal- | vation.
Surely his salvation is near to those who | fear him,*
that glory may dwell | in our land.
Faithfulness springs up | from the ground,*
and righteousness looks down | from the sky.
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*

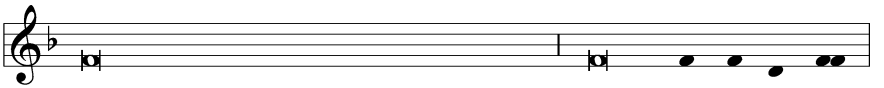
is now, and will be forever. | ***Amen.***

I know the plans I have for you, de- | clares the LORD,*
plans for wholeness and not for | evil.
Then you will call upon me and come and | pray to me,*
and I will | hear you.

Kyrie





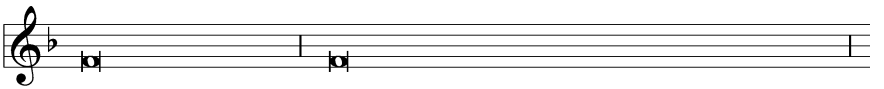






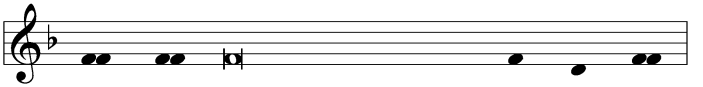














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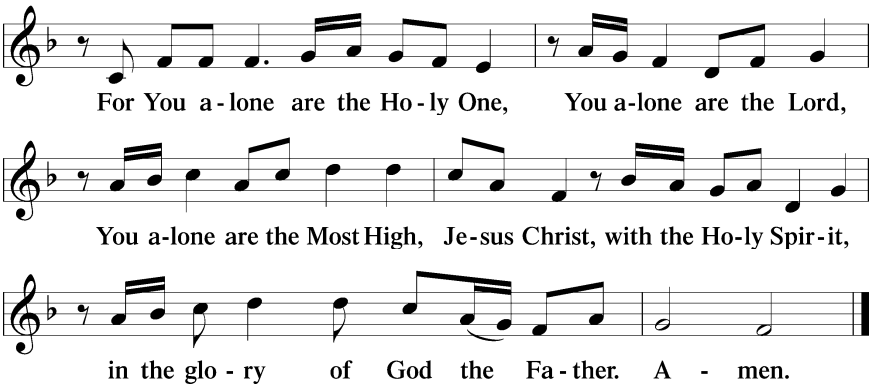












Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.
O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading

Proverbs 8:11–22

11 For wisdom is better than jewels,
and all that you may desire cannot compare with her.

12 "I, wisdom, dwell with prudence,
and I find knowledge and discretion.
13 The fear of the LORD is hatred of evil.
Pride and arrogance and the way of evil
and perverted speech I hate.
14 I have counsel and sound wisdom;

I have insight; I have strength.
15 By me kings reign,
and rulers decree what is just;
16 by me princes rule,
and nobles, all who govern justly.
17 I love those who love me,
and those who seek me diligently find me.
18 Riches and honor are with me,
enduring wealth and righteousness.
19 My fruit is better than gold, even fine gold,
and my yield than choice silver.
20 I walk in the way of righteousness,
in the paths of justice,
21 granting an inheritance to those who love me,
and filling their treasuries.

22 "The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of old."

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Choral Response *"If thou but Suffer, God to Guide Thee"*

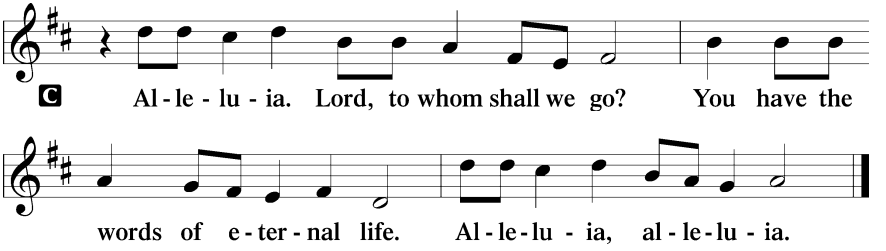
Epistle

Philippians 3:17–21

17 Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. 18 For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. 19 Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. 20 But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, 21 who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:15–22

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.



Paying Taxes to Caesar

15 Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. 16 And they sent
their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and
teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed
by appearances. 17 Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" 18 But
Jesus, aware of their malice, said**, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? 19 Show me the coin
for the tax."** And they brought him a denarius. 20 And Jesus said to them**, "Whose likeness and
inscription is this?"** 21 They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, **"Therefore render to Caesar
the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's."** 22 When they heard it, they
marveled. And they left him and went away.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

C **I believe in one God,**
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

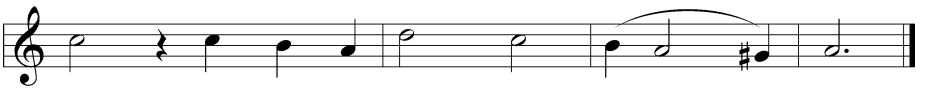
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day — #714 Who Trusts in God a Strong Abode





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Sermon

Prayer of the Church

Those in need of strength and healing

Elizabeth Moehring (Pastor Moehring's mother)
Monica and Karen (friends of Sylvia Wann)
Dale Meyer, James DeFrain, Shelly DeFrain
LaNora Palmateer (grandmother of DoRena Wirgau)
Lucas Reish (friend of Autumn Fisher)
Linda Trammel (grandmother of Ron Trammel)
Sharolyn Stoppenhagen (wife of Ian Stoppenhagen)
Denny Nahrwold
Jenny Peterson (friend of Cheryl Louison)
Dan Bush (stepfather of Chad Dunham)
Grace Anderson (friend of Macie Saalfrank)
Hazel Krenzke (granddaughter of Dan and Sue Buchinger)
Brandon Tomlinson (son in-law of the Brinkleys), Sandra Flum (Susan Graft's sister)

We pray for our expectant mothers: *Nicole Meyer, Sierra Patrick, Kelly (Meyer) Warnimont*

We pray for our members shut-in:

Sandy Avey (Ossian Healthcare)
Marilyn Meyer (Kingston)
Marilyn Franke (Christian Care)
Rev. Donald Lutz (Lutheran Life Village)
Martha Bauermeister (Astral in Auburn)

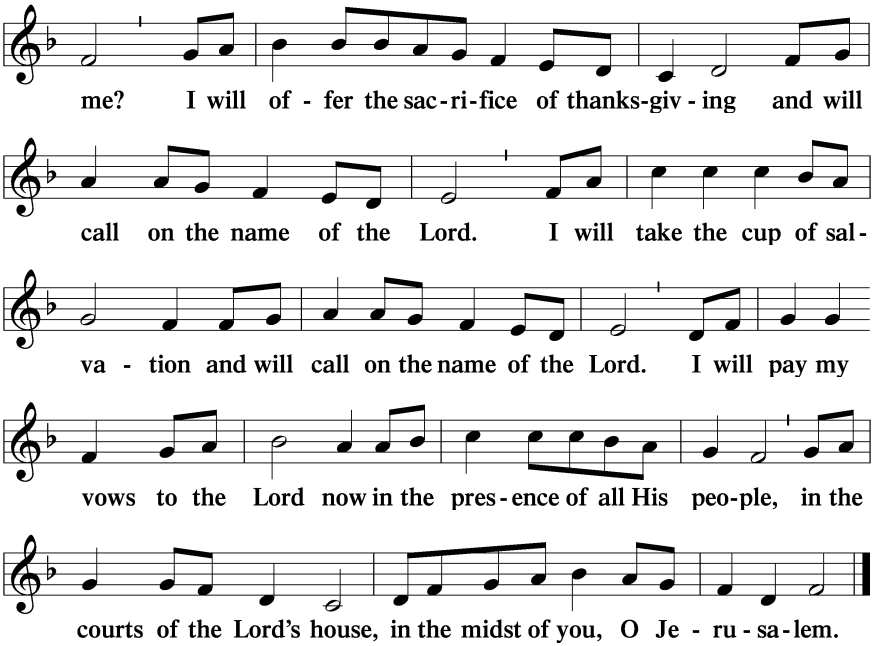
We pray for our Church, School and all her workers

We pray for all military personnel

Offering

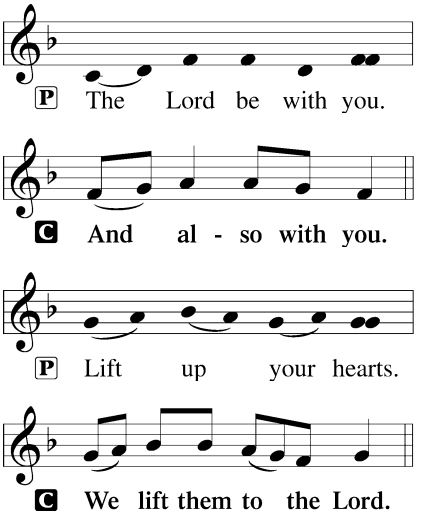
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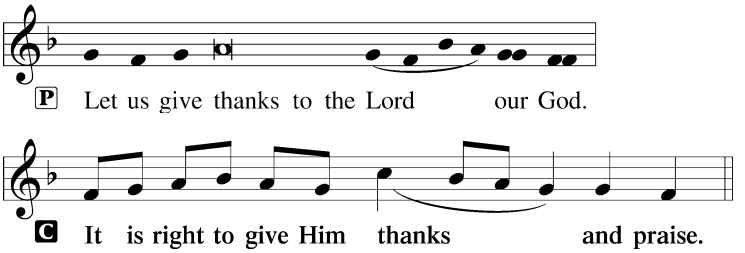




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Preface





Proper Preface (Abbreviated)

P It is truly good, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

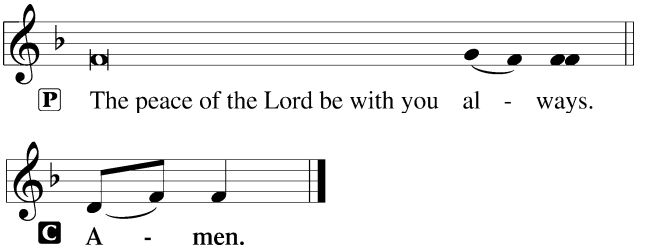
C **Our Father who art in heaven,**
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ☩ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

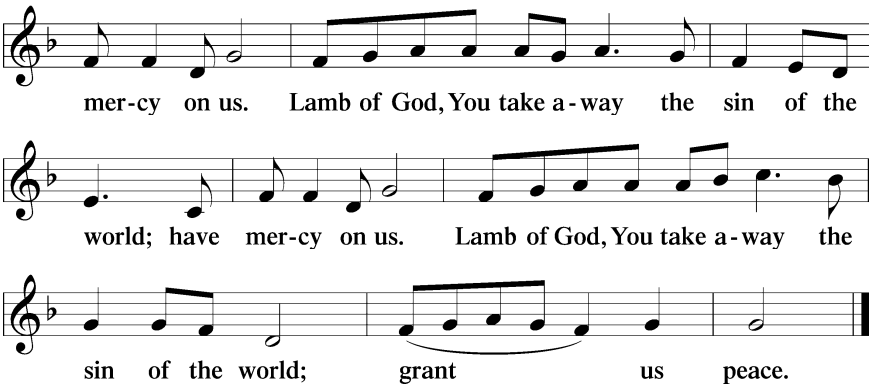
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ☩ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini



Agnus Dei

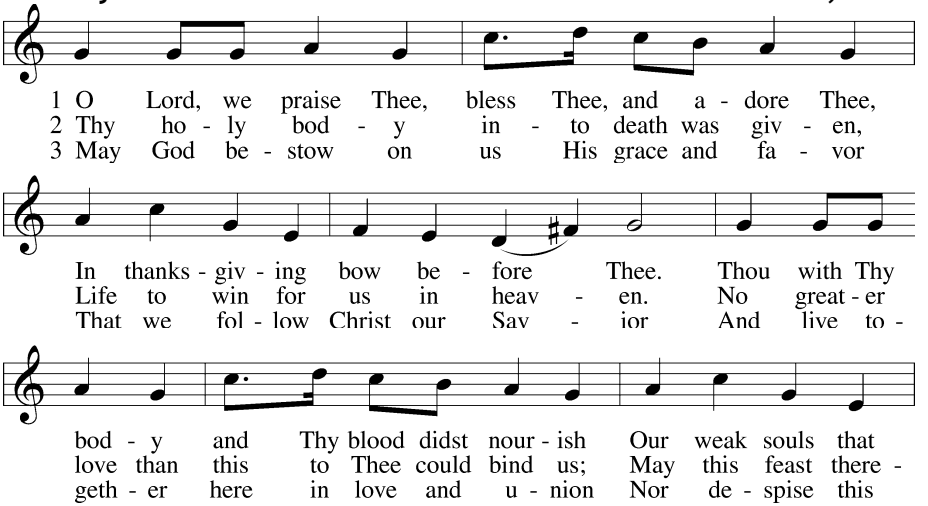


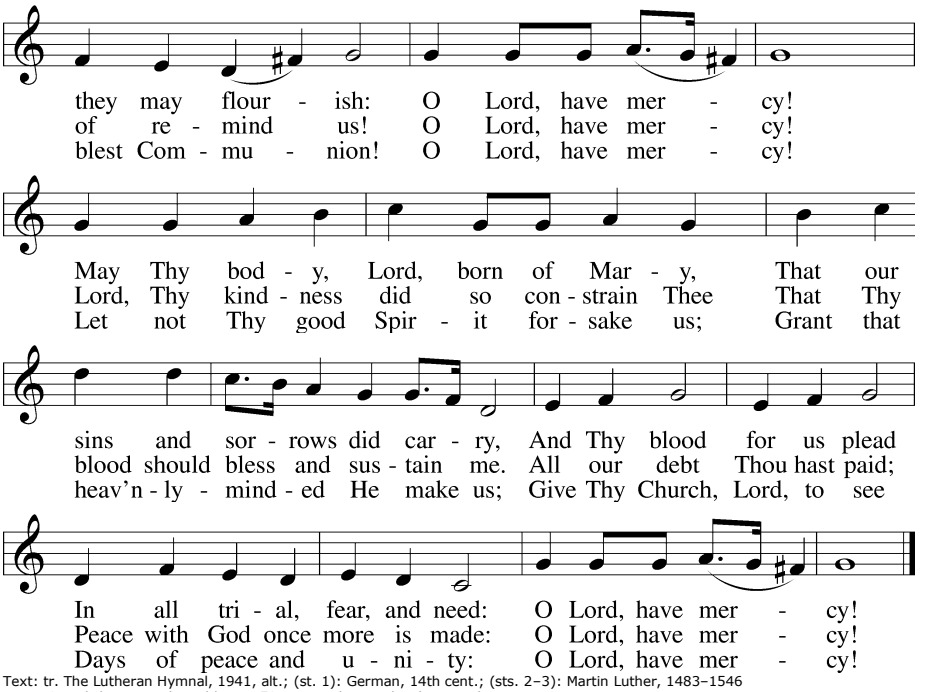


Distribution

Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper in our worship. Bethlehem Lutheran Church administers this Holy Supper in accordance with the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions. It is celebrated in the confidence that we receive, along with the Bread and Wine, the very Body and Blood of Jesus through which we receive the forgiveness of sins. Furthermore, the communicants as a body of believers make a confession of the unity of their faith. **Those desiring to receive the Sacrament with us, who are not communicant members of Bethlehem or of a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, are asked to please speak with the Pastor before the service.**

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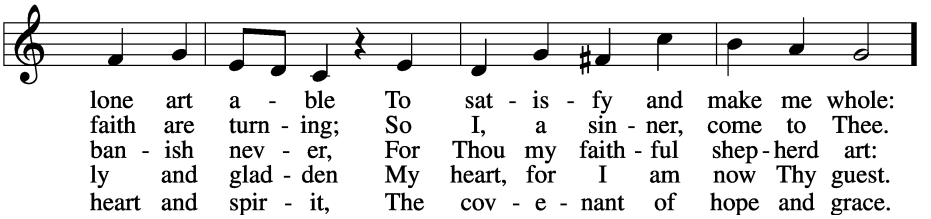




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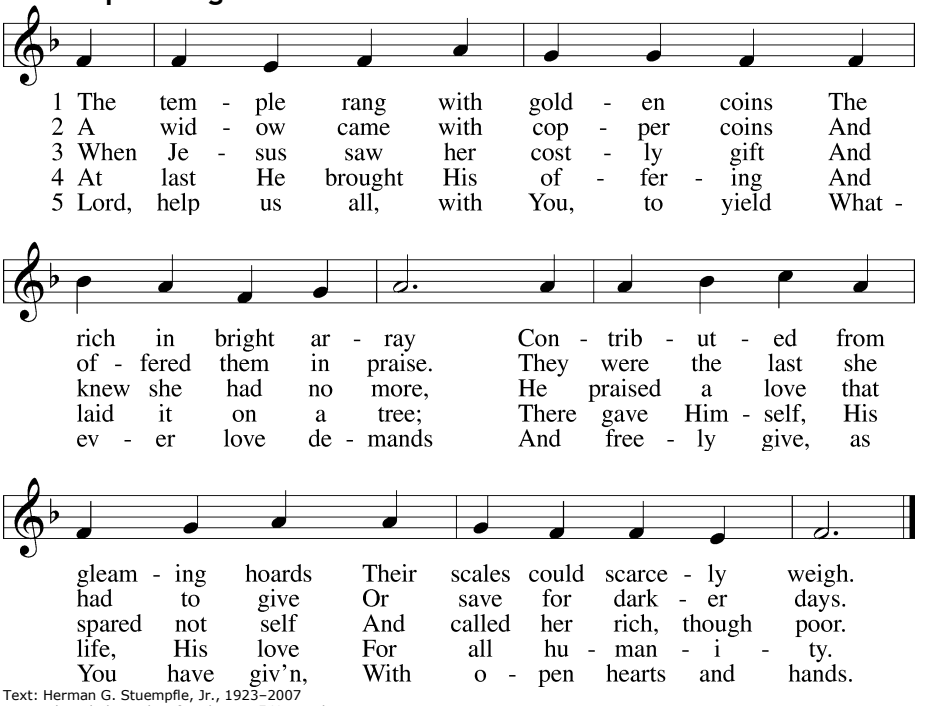
#618 I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table





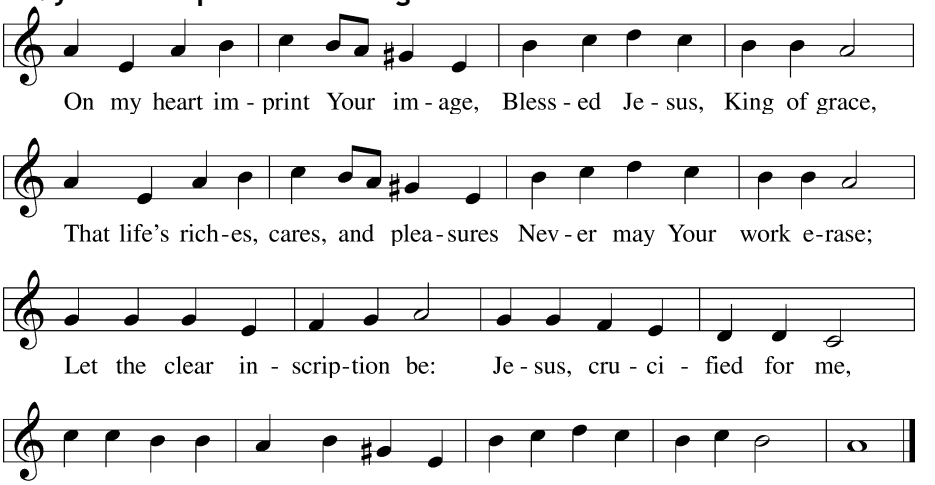
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#787 The Temple Rang with Golden Coins



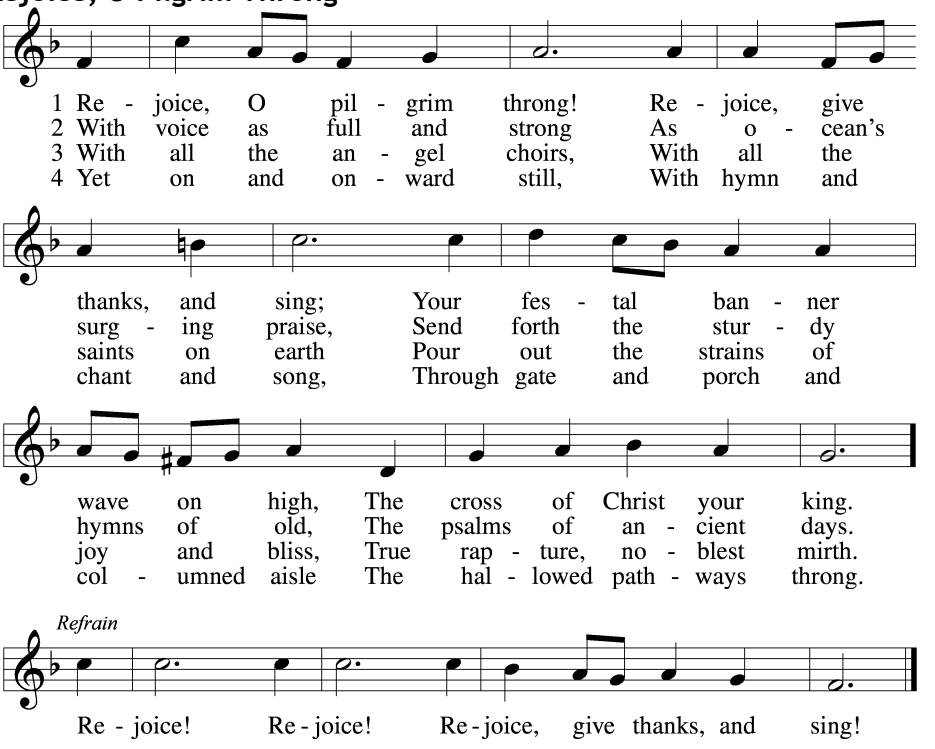
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#422 On My Heart Imprint Your Image



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#813 Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng



5 Still lift your standard high,
Still march in firm array,
As pilgrims through the darkness wend
Till dawns the golden day. Refrain

6 At last the march shall end;
The wearied ones shall rest;
The pilgrims find their home at last,
Jerusalem the blest. Refrain

△ 7 Praise Him who reigns on high,
The Lord whom we adore:
The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
One God forevermore. Refrain

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Nunc Dimittis



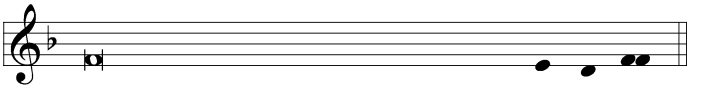
Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benediction

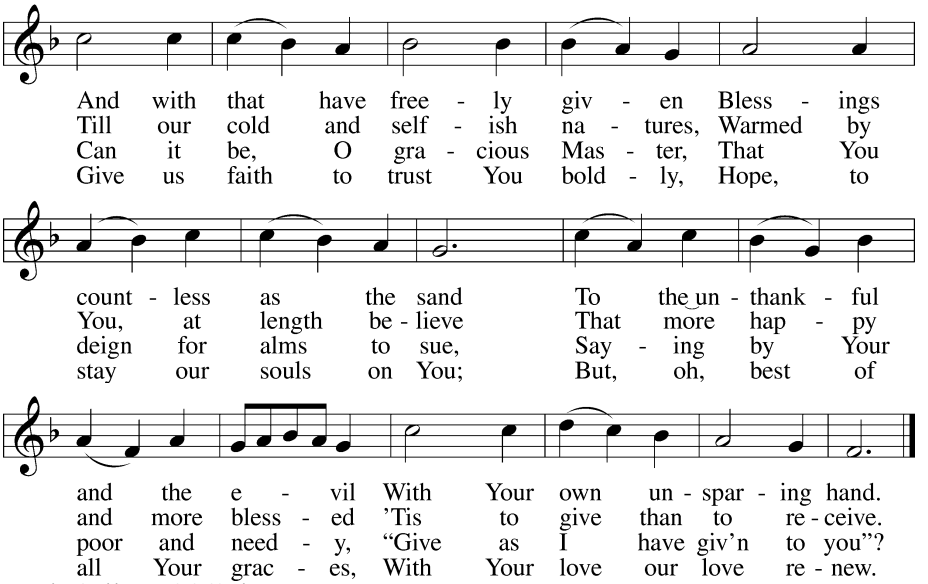


P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✢ give you peace.



Closing Hymn #851 Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us





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WE WELCOME ALL VISITORS this morning to our church and worship service in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Please take a moment to sign one of the register books located in each of the church foyers. If you would like to be contacted by the pastor or an elder, then please take a moment to fill out one of the green cards on the narthex tables and give it to an elder or drop it in the offering collection plate. Please be sure to introduce yourself to the Pastor and to others in attendance and feel free to worship with us again. Thank you!

Announcements can be emailed to the church secretary at bethlehemossiansec@gmail.com or the church office at 597-7121.

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Elders on Duty	Steve Conrad, Jeff Gresley
Organist	Kantor Richard Brinkley
Choir	Bethlehem Junior Choir
Musical Accompaniment	Anastasia Loest, Madeline and Levi Preus
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TODAY	**9:00 a.m.**	**Divine Service with Holy Communion**
	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Class and Sunday School
MONDAY	1:00 p.m.	WOB Blanket Sewing (school art room)
	5:30 p.m.	JV Boys vs St. Peter Immanuel (away)
	6:30 p.m.	Var. Boys vs St. Peter Immanuel (away)
	5:45 p.m.	Wholyfit
	6:30 p.m.	Handbell Choir Practice
TUESDAY	6:00 p.m..	Visual Faith (Fellowship Hall)
WEDNESDAY	**10:00 a.m.**	**Chapel Service**
	2:00 p.m.	Veteran's Day Program (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 p.m.	**Spoken Divine Service**
	7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Practice
THURSDAY	5:45 p.m.	Wholyfit
SUNDAY	**9:00 a.m.**	**Divine Service with Holy Communion**
	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Class and Sunday School
	11:30 p.m.	Board of Elders Meeting
	3:00 p.m.	English Folk Dancing Event (School gym)

PASTOR WIRGAU'S CALENDAR- Pastor Wirgau is participating in a Pastor's Study Week with the International Lutheran Counsel in Wittenberg Germany. He plans to be back on Sunday, November 15th. If pastoral care is needed during his time away, please contact our Head Elder, Mr. Steve Conrad or Rev. Anthony Dodgers.

VOTER'S ASSEMBLY MEETING – SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2026

COOKBOOKS– Live, Love, Eat with Jerry Cookbooks are in! Please see Lisa Gresley after church today in the hallway. She also has some extra copies if anyone is interested.

YOUTH CHEESEBALL PRE-ORDERS! The youth are taking pre-orders for cheeseballs through **Wednesday, November 18! Pick-Up: Sunday, November 22.** Just in time for Thanksgiving! Choose from three delicious varieties: Ranch, Party, Dessert. To place your order, please let Deaconess Boehm know or stop by the donut counter on Sunday mornings to sign up! Proceeds will go towards the youth Higher Things Conference in July of 2027. Thank you for supporting our youth!

Interested in learning to operate our audio/visual equipment for Sunday services? Please consider volunteering by contacting Reese Springer at 260-409-9439 for more information. Your help is greatly needed. Thank you

SCRIP SHOPPERS – ***In-person SCRIP purchases*** are now available at a new location. Please be sure to visit Jill Holtzclaw in the **Fellowship Hall** after church TODAY! Also available will be a 3 ring binder of all the certificates available from Raise Right that can be ordered. Come check it out! For questions or for placing an order, please contact Jill Holtzclaw 260-301-1965.

Offering November 1, 2026

Average weekly need $14,000

Home Fund Env.	$8,325.98
Synod	5.00
Loose	459.50
Scholarship Fund	
Sunday School	14.85
Improvement Fund	935.21
Endowment Fund	
Music Fund	
Organ Fund	
Voice of Bethlehem	150.00
Gym Rental	250.00
Total	$10,140.54

Financial Report

Home Fund Balance $10,554.58
Next week's bills due: $11,000
Bills due two weeks: $15,000
Savings Account Balance $114,781.14
Borrowed from Savings: $1,554.71
Special Project Fund $85,413.85
Operating Loan Balance $0.00
Total available to borrow $30,000

Church Attendance Sunday 221/176
Wednesday 27/21



English Folk Dancing Event

Sunday, November 15th
from 3-4:30 pm
in the Bethlehem School Gymnasium.
Adults and children are invited to attend.
No experience is required.
Instructions will be given before each dance. Admission is $1.00 per person or $5.00 per family.
For questions, please contact Kantor Brinkley.
Please join us for this fun event!

Save the Date

WEDNESDAY
11 NOV 2026
2:00 PM

ALL welcome to attend
RSVP to the school secretary

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED.

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VETERANS DAY *Presentation*

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Join us for an interactive Veteran's Day experience at Bethlehem Lutheran School.

- If you or someone you know would like to be recognized as a veteran, please contact the school secretary. We will have a **Veterans Recognition Wall** featuring stars with each veteran's name, branch of service, rank, and years served.
- Photographs, uniforms, medals, and other military memorabilia are also encouraged for our **display**! Students will have the opportunity to view these items, learn about military service, and ask questions.
- If you are a veteran or have stories about a veteran and would be willing to speak with our students or answer their questions, please contact Deaconess Boehm. We appreciate your help in honoring those who have served our country!

THE LUTHERAN SCHOLARSHIP GRANTING ORGANIZATION

Making the dream of a Christian education a reality for families for scholarships!

One SGO. Two Ways to Give!

The year is coming to a close, but the impact of your generosity can last a lifetime.

You want to invest in Christian education. We can make it possible. Thanks to a new federal opportunity, you now have two ways to help families afford a Christ-centered education, all while benefiting from valuable tax credits.

Indiana State SGO Tax Credit Scholarship Program

SGO Scholarships help eligible families afford nonpublic education in Indiana. Your donation qualifies for a 50% Indiana State Income Tax Credit, up to your state tax liability.

Federal EFTC Tax Credit Scholarship Program

Beginning January 1, 2027, the new Education Freedom Tax Credit (EFTC) offers a 100% federal income tax credit of up to $1,700 per taxpayer ($3,400 for married couples filing jointly) for eligible donations to support Christian education.

Two ways to give. One important mission. Visit LutheranSGO.org to learn more and make your gift.

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Lutheran SGO Mission: The Lutheran SGO exists to partner with schools in raising funds from individuals and businesses and distributing scholarship funds to all eligible students attending Lutheran and other Christian schools in states served by the Lutheran SGO.

The House of Daily Bread

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer following
The Twenty-third Sunday of Trinity



When confronted with the civic duty of paying taxes, our Lord Jesus, Wisdom incarnate, walked "in the way of righteousness, in the paths of justice" (Prov. 8:20) and discerned that wisdom "is better than jewels" and "better than gold, even fine gold" (Prov. 8:11, 19). When we set our minds on earthly things, such as wealth and passing glory, our "end is destruction" (Phil. 3:19). However, our humble and prudent Lord has rendered "to God the things that are God's" (Matt. 22:21), namely, perfect fear, love, and trust, as well as the complete sacrifice for our sin. In so doing, He also rendered to Caesar the things of honor and justice, submitting to the law of the land that put Him on the cross. The true "riches and honor are with [Him]," because "enduring wealth and righteousness" (Prov. 8:18) are found in our heavenly citizenship from which "we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ." He "will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself" (Phil. 3:20-21).

The Order of Meditation and Prayer

Pray and confess out loud as much from the order of meditation and prayer you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate.
Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.

The sign of the cross may be made in remembrance of Baptism.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Hymn of the Week: **"Who Trusts in God a Strong Abode" LSB #714**

Recite the Ten Commandments and the Apostles' Creed (LSB pg. 264)
The Catechism:

What is the Third Article of the Apostles' Creed?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.
In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.
In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.
This is most certainly true.

What is 1 Corinthians 12:3?

I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says "Jesus is accursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except in the Holy Spirit. 1 Corinthians 12:3

Psalm Ps. 111 and/or the appointed daily Psalms listen below.

Daily Psalm	Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
A.M.	75, 76	78	80	82, 84	85	88	89
P.M.	77	79	81	83	86	87	90

Daily Bible Reading

Mon.	John 9:1-12 - A Man Born Blind Receives His Sight Jeremiah 22:1-23
Tues.	John 9:13-34 - The Pharisees Excommunicate the Healed Man Jeremiah 23:1-20
Wed.	John 9:35-10:6 - Jesus Is the True Shepherd Jeremiah 23:21-40
Thu.	John 10:7-21 - Jesus Is the Good Shepherd Jeremiah 25:1-18
Fri.	John 10:22-42 - The Shepherd Knows the Sheep Jeremiah 26:1-19
Sat.	*Look ahead to Sunday's Readings*

Prayers

Collect of the Day

O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; through Jesus Christ, You Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Daily Themes For Prayer

Sunday: *For the joy of the resurrection among us; for the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and the Sacraments.*

Monday: *For faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; for one's calling and daily work; for the unemployed; for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for schools, colleges, and seminaries; for good government and for peace.*
Tuesday: *For deliverance against temptation and evil; for the addicted and despairing, the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with sin.*
Wednesday: *For marriage and family, that husbands and wives, parents and children live in ordered harmony according to the Word of God; for parents who must raise children alone; for our communities and neighborhoods.*
Thursday: *For the Church and her pastors; for teachers, deaconesses, and other church workers; for missionaries and for all who serve the Church; for fruitful and salutary use of the blessed Sacrament of Christ's body and blood.*
Friday: *For the preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and for the spread of His knowledge throughout the whole world; for the persecuted and oppressed; for the sick and dying.*
Saturday: *For faithfulness to the end; for the renewal of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; for receptive hearts and minds to God's Word on the Lord's Day; for pastors and people as they prepare to administer and receive Christ's holy gifts.*
In our Prayers this week: Strength and healing: *Elizabeth, Dale, Shelly, James, LaNora, Tyler, Emma, Lucas, Linda, Sharolyn, Denny, Kenneth, Jenny, Dan, Grace, Hazel, Brandon, Sandra;* ***Expectant mothers:*** *Nicole, Sierra, Kelly;* ***Homebound:*** *Marilyn, Marilyn, Donald, Martha, and Sandy.*

Lord's Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism
(LSB pg. 266)

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**
The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen**

Looking forward to Sunday Morning: Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity
Old Testament: Isaiah 51:9-16; Epistle: Colossians 1:9-14 Gospel: Matthew 9:18-26; Hymns: 849, 755, 619, 620, 467, 741, 461