

**OFFERTORY** - “A Prayer For Thanksgiving” arr. by Federal Lee Whittlesey

**\*OFFERING SONG**  
**“Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful”** **ELW Hymn 184**

**\*OFFERING PRAYER**  
God of healing and hope,  
you bless those who are hungry,  
promising to fill them with good things.  
Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts.  
Nourish us with the abundance of your feast  
and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior,  
now and forever.  
**Amen.**

**MEAL**

**\*GREAT THANKSGIVING** **ELW Page 129**

**SANCTUS: “Holy, Holy, Holy”** **ELW page 130**

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God...

...For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes:  
**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

...To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever. **Amen.**

**\*LORD’S PRAYER** **ELW Page 134**

**\*INVITATION TO COMMUNION**  
*At the direction of the usher, please come forward, forming two lines in the center aisle, to stand or kneel at the chancel rail to receive the gift of God’s living Word in bread and wine. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request, and you may choose wine (glass) or alcohol-free juice (stainless steel). To receive communion at your seat, simply notify an usher. All are welcome at this table.*

**COMMUNION HYMNS**  
**“Lamb of God”** **ELW Page 135**  
**“When Peace like a River”** **ELW Hymn 785**

**\*TABLE BLESSING**  
May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God’s grace. **Amen.**

**\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**  
God of field and flower, wheat and grape,  
you have nourished us with the bread of heaven  
that gives life to the world.  
Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son,  
send us out to gather your good gifts for all who  
hunger and thirst,  
and embolden us to love and serve in Christ’s name.  
**Amen.**

**SENDING**

**\*BLESSING**  
The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you,  
God the Son save you,  
and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead.

The holy Trinity bless you ☩  
and grant you a faithful and courageous heart  
now and forever.  
**Amen.**

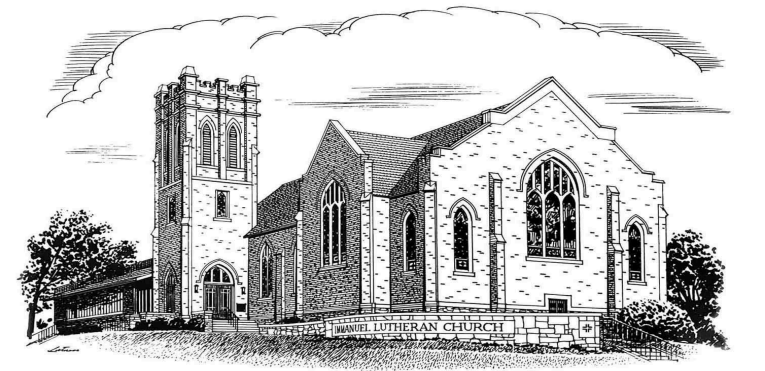
**\*SENDING HYMN**  
**“O God, Our Help In Ages Past”** **ELW Hymn 632**

**\*DISMISSAL**  
Go in peace. Share the harvest.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**  
"Toccata and Fugue in D Minor," BWV 565, by J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

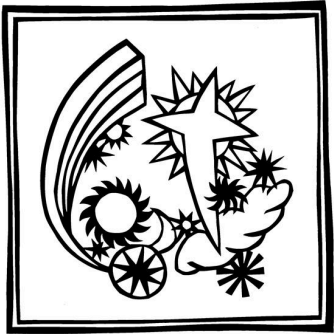
**Welcome to Worship**

**Twenty - Third Sunday after Pentecost**



**November 16, 2025**

**10:00 a.m**



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Find page numbers in the front of the ELW (red hymnal), and hymns in the back.

Setting 2 begins on page 117

Bold=All

\*Please stand as you are able

GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Songe d'Automne," by Archibald Joyce (1873-1963)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
who forgives all our sin,  
whose mercy endures forever.  
**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God  
and of one another.

Faithful God,  
**you have shown us the ways of your heart,  
yet we stray from your paths.  
We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression  
and do not embrace the freedom  
of your faithful promises.  
We ignore our neighbors.  
We exploit the earth.  
We reject your abundance,  
trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love.  
Repair our relationships,  
restore what we have broken,  
renew our hearts,  
and bring us to new life.  
Amen.**

Hear the good news:  
God the Faithful One loves you,  
☩ in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven,  
and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.  
**Amen.**

\*GATHERING HYMN

“Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow” ELW Hymn 327

\*GREETING

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the  
communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is  
strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our  
ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing  
what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

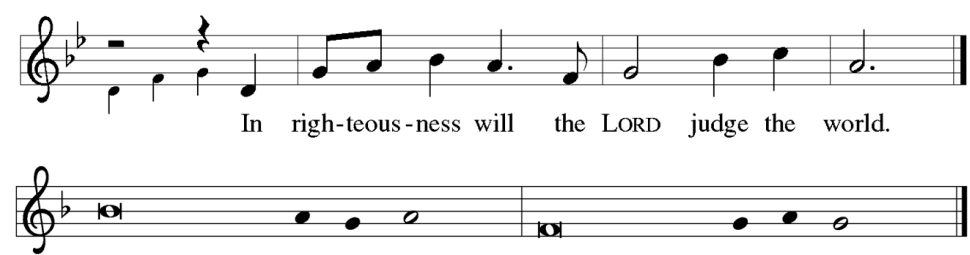
WORD

FIRST READING: Malachi 4:1-2a

1 See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and  
all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says  
the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch.  
2a But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise,  
with healing in its wings.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God**

PSALMODY: Psalm 98



- 1 Sing a new song to the Lord, who has done | marvelous things,  
whose right hand and holy arm have | won the victory.  
2 **O Lord, you have made | known your victory,  
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight | of the  
nations.**  
3 You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the | house of  
Israel;  
all the ends of the earth have seen the victory | of our God.  
4 **Shout with joy to the Lord, | all you lands;  
lift up your voice, re- | joice, and sing. R**  
5 Sing to the Lord | with the harp,  
with the harp and the | voice of song.  
6 **With trumpets and the sound | of the horn  
shout with joy before the | king, the Lord.**  
7 Let the sea roar, and | all that fills it,  
the world and those who | dwell therein.  
8 **Let the rivers | clap their hands,  
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, who  
comes to | judge the earth.**  
9 The Lord will judge the | world with righteousness  
and the peo- | ples with equity. **R**

SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

6 Now we command you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord  
Jesus Christ, to keep away from every brother or sister living  
irresponsibly and not according to the tradition that they received from  
us. 7 For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not  
irresponsible when we were with you, 8 and we did not eat anyone’s  
bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and  
day so that we might not burden any of you. 9 This was not because we do  
not have that right but in order to give you an example to imitate. 10 For  
even when we were with you, we gave you this command: anyone

unwilling to work should not eat. 11 For we hear that some of you are  
living irresponsibly, mere busybodies, not doing any work. 12 Now such  
persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their  
work quietly and to earn their own living. 13 Brothers and sisters, do not  
be weary in doing what is right.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

\*GOSPEL: Luke 21:5-19

The Holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

5 When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with  
beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, 6 “As for these  
things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left  
upon another; all will be thrown down.”

7 They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the  
sign that this is about to take place?” 8 And he said, “Beware that you are  
not led astray, for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and,  
‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them.

9 “When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for  
these things must take place first, but the end will not follow  
immediately.” 10 Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation  
and kingdom against kingdom; 11 there will be great earthquakes and in  
various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents  
and great signs from heaven.

12 “But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you;  
they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be  
brought before kings and governors because of my name. 13 This will give  
you an opportunity to testify. 14 So make up your minds not to prepare  
your defense in advance, 15 for I will give you words and a wisdom that  
none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. 16 You  
will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends,  
and they will put some of you to death. 17 You will be hated by all because  
of my name. 18 But not a hair of your head will perish. 19 By your  
endurance you will gain your souls.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

\*HYMN OF THE DAY

“By Gracious Powers”

ELW Hymn 626

\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

... Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

...We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace  
and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

\*PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**