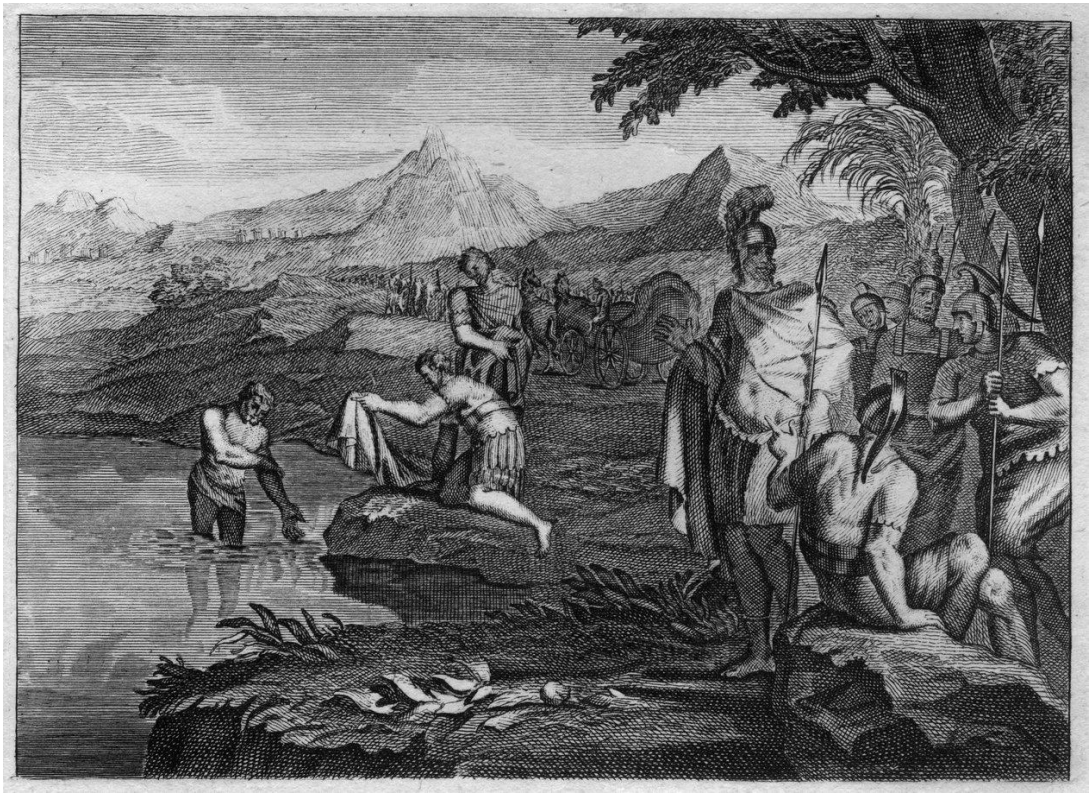


FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH
BOTHELL, WASHINGTON

WELCOMES YOU
November 8, 2026
24th Sunday after Pentecost

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH STATEMENT OF WELCOME

As voted on by the Congregation Council and will be voted on at the Annual Meeting of FLC

We, the community of First Lutheran Church of Bothell (FLC), proclaim the message that the grace of our Lord is infinitely inclusive and that everyone is welcome. We believe that Christ calls us to reconciliation and wholeness in a world of alienation and brokenness.

As a Reconciling in Christ congregation and as disciples of Christ seeking justice and reconciliation among all peoples, we at FLC welcome all into the fullness of God's love. We welcome everyone, without exception and regardless of sex, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, **gender expression,** physical and mental ability, age, or station in life. **We believe in and engage in antiracism as a primary way to** recognize that each person is a unique creation of God, and through grace, a child of God, **worthy of love and welcome.**

All are welcome at First Lutheran.

All are welcome to worship, to hear the good news, to receive the sacraments, and to share in fellowship and service. As members of FLC, we pledge ourselves and our congregation to exercise our faith in Christ, treasuring one another's similarities while embracing our God-given differences. We pledge that we will strive to live as a reconciling people, in our life together and in our outreach to the world.

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WORSHIP NOTES

+ Complete one of the cards provided in the pew card holders. For FLC members, please use the "Member Attendance Card" list each family member who is in attendance and who will receive Holy Communion. For guests, please complete the "Welcome Guests" card. Cards may be placed in the offering baskets or handed to an usher during Communion.
+ The service is printed in this bulletin. Some hymns are located in the red hymnbook.
+ Hearing enhancement receivers, large print bulletins are available. Feel free to ask an usher for assistance.
+ Our expectation is that children will be in worship. We understand that there are times when your wiggly ones need a distraction. There is a staffed nursery as well as a "Pray Space" under the stairs in the inner narthex. Please ask an usher for directions.
+ If you would like to have a digital copy of the bulletin, go to our website and download the PDF. www.flcbothell.org
+ Public Wi-Fi: FLC Wireless—Password: MartyLuther

Serving Us in Worship Today

Organ	Lucy Kay Osborne
Drums	Joe Siebert
Acolyte	Henry Jackman
Ushers	Leon Keltner Richard Keltner
Lector	Marilyn Iverson
Greeter	Stephanie Almeida
Sound Tech	Andrew Phelps
Camera Tech	David Osborne
Communion Assistants	Tamara McIntyre Andrea Peoples Jacky Schnarre
Bus Driver	Carsten Thode
Pew Angel	Clint Bastin
Fellowship Host	Nora Strothman
Nursery	Hazel Baker

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GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE: ***What a Friend We Have in Jesus (R. Hobby)***

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG: ***Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*** **(ELW 834)**



Text: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1824–1908, alt.
Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh traditional

GREETING
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
Let us pray.
Healing God, you healed your servant Naaman of his affliction when he came to you, through Elisha, for help. Heal our afflictions and make us faithful servants. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE: ***In Thee Is Gladness*** **(ELW 867)**



WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Matthew 8:2-3

2 There was a man with a skin disease who came to him and knelt before him,
saying, "Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean." 3 He stretched out
his hand and touched him, saying, "I am willing. Be made clean!" Immediately
his skin disease was cleansed.

Word of God,
word of life.

ANTHEM: *There Is a Balm In Gilead (L. Larson)*

THE WORD: 2 Kings 5:1-15a

1 Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in
high favor with his master because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram.
The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease.

2 Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from
the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. 3 She said to her mistress, "If
only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his
skin disease."

4 So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel
had said. 5 And the king of Aram said, "Go, then, and I will send along a letter
to the king of Israel."

He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and
ten sets of garments. 6 He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read,
"When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant
Naaman, that you may cure him of his skin disease."

7 When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I
God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his
skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

8 But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his
clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let
him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel."

9 So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of
Elisha's house. 10 Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the
Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean."

[11] But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, “I thought that for me he
would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God and
would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! [12] Are not Abana
and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could
I not wash in them and be clean?” He turned and went away in a rage.

[13] But his servants approached and said to him, “Father, if the prophet had
commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How
much more, when all he said to you was, ‘Wash, and be clean’?”

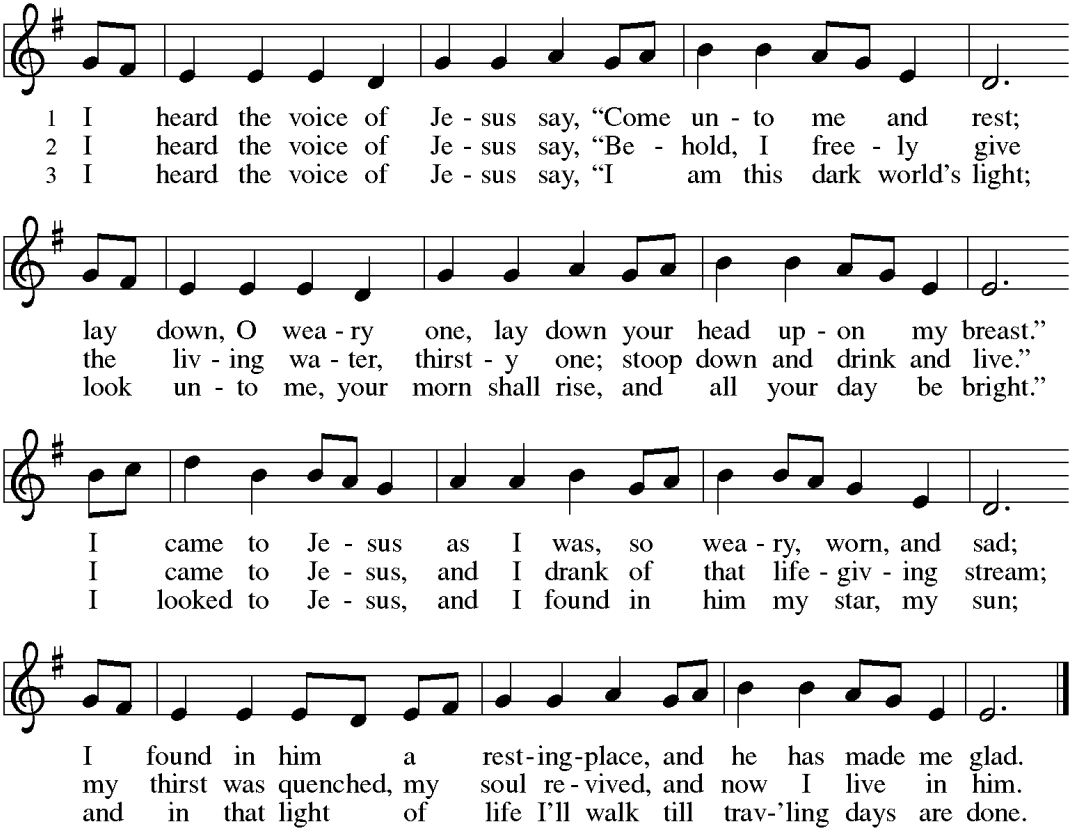
[14] So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according
to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young
boy, and he was clean.[15] Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his
company; he came and stood before him and said, “Now I know that there is no
God in all the earth except in Israel.”

Word of God,
word of life.

CHILDREN'S SERMON: ***Lloyd Condra***

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say* (ELW 611)



APOSTLE'S CREED

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION
United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

You illumine the church with the hope of your new day. Prepare our hearts and minds for the inbreaking of your kingdom, that we might awaken to your transforming love at work all around us. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You create and sustain the earth's natural rhythms so that all life might thrive. Show us the wisdom and wonder of nature's balance; make us careful stewards of our common home. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You make justice roll down in all places and among all nations. Encourage all who protect vulnerable communities and help rebuild in the aftermath of conflict. We lift up today Lutheran World Relief, Lutheran Disaster Response and all the feeding programs that provide food for the hungry. Uphold veterans and those who care for them. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You hasten to heal our wounds and make whole what is broken. Comfort individuals facing a difficult diagnosis, receiving palliative care, or facing uncertain treatment options. We now offer up our prayers for those we love. *(You may name out loud or in your hearts those in need of healing.)* God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You give rest to weary hearts and bodies. As the days grow shorter in the north, help us to move more slowly and intentionally through our days, honoring the need for quiet and stillness. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You welcome those who have come before us in faith into the joys of heaven. Sustain us by your grace and guide us into the promise of everlasting life. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.
Amen.
CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Silence is kept for self-reflection.

Holy God,
we confess that we have trusted in our preparation instead of your invitation. We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved. We trust the voice of our shame and fear, which keeps us from entering fully into relationship with you and others. We are not awake to the coming of your reign. Rouse us and rescue us, that we may enter into your joy. Amen.

Inherit the riches of God's grace. ✠ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy. You are forgiven. Blessed are you. **Amen.**

PEACE
The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

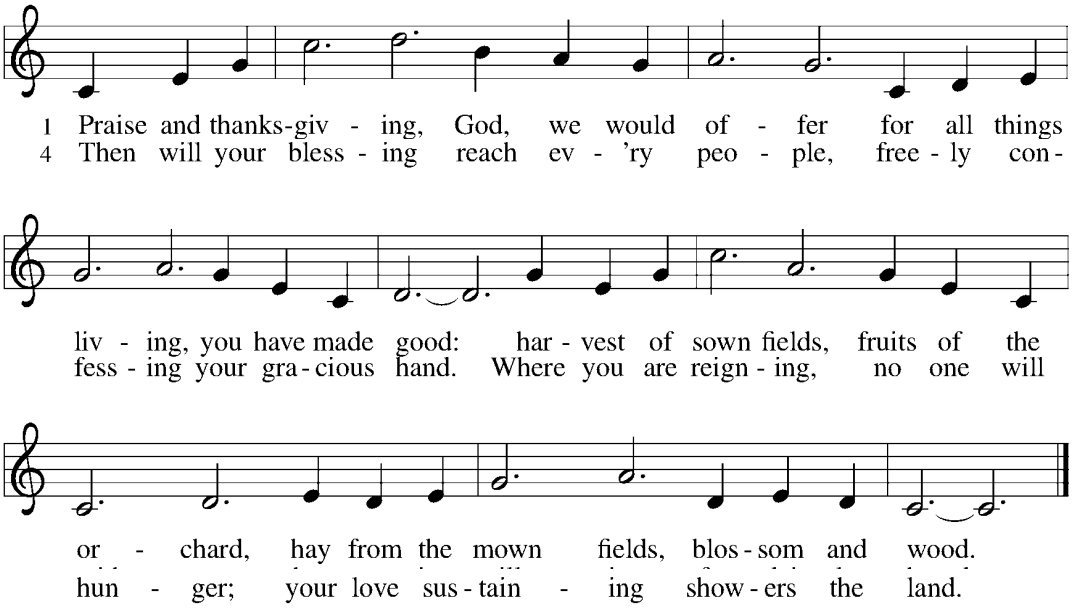
MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY: ***Praise and Thanksgiving (L. Dengler)***

OFFERING: The offering of flowers is given to the glory of God by Nancy & Joel Conner in honor of their 53rd anniversary on November 9.

OFFERING SONG: ***Praise and Thanksgiving***



OFFERING PRAYER
Let us prau.
Eternal God, our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE
Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.
We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.
We bless you, O God.

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.
We thank you, O God.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.
Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER
Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

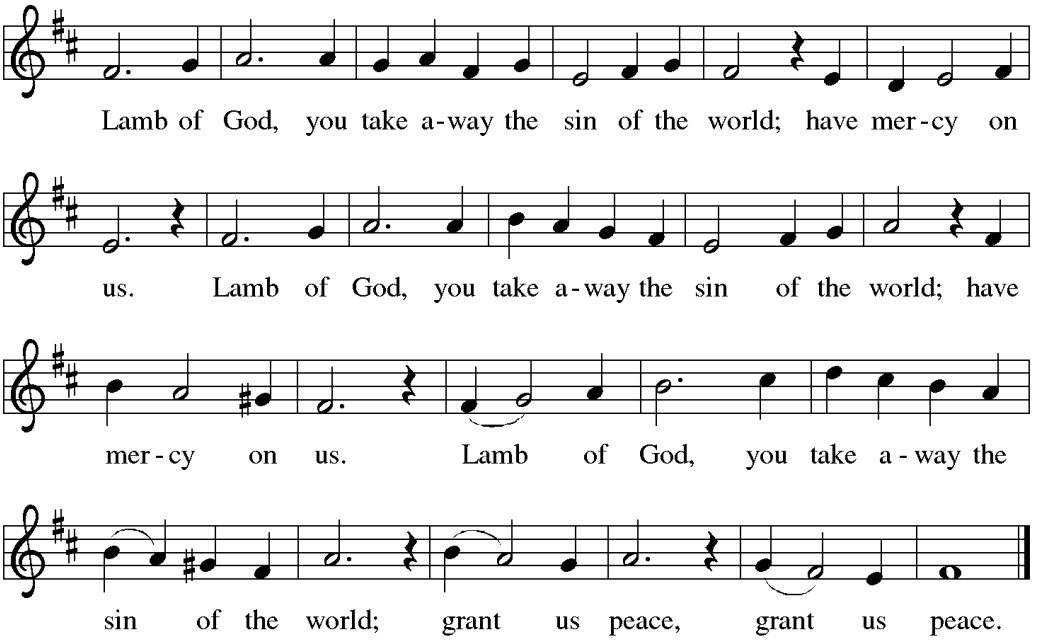
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION
In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in. Come, receive what Christ has prepared.

COMMUNION
The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

***COMMUNION**: We will receive the body of Christ as bread with these or similar words: The body of Christ, given for you. If you desire a gluten-free option that is available. The blood of Christ will be received as either red wine or white grape juice with these or similar words: The blood of Christ, shed for you.*
***WHO MAY COMMUNE?** All are welcome at the Lord's Table. It is a free gift given to all for the forgiveness of sins. The words "for you" really mean FOR YOU! Children may commune at the discretion of their parents. If you wish to receive a blessing: cross your arms over your chest as a sign for the communion assistants.*
***DIRECTIONS FOR COMMUNION**: Please come forward by the center aisle at the direction of the ushers to receive the sacrament and return to your seat down the side aisle. Register each person who will receive Holy Communion on the appropriate pew card for either FLC members or guests and hand this to an usher unless you already placed it in the offering plate.*

COMMUNION HYMNS:
Lamb of God



What a Friend We Have in Jesus (ELW 742)



Text: Joseph Scriven, 1820–1886
Music: CONVERSE, Charles C. Converse, 1832–1918

Come to The Table (ACS 961)



Healer of Our Every Ill (ELW 612)



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Holy God, we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever. Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

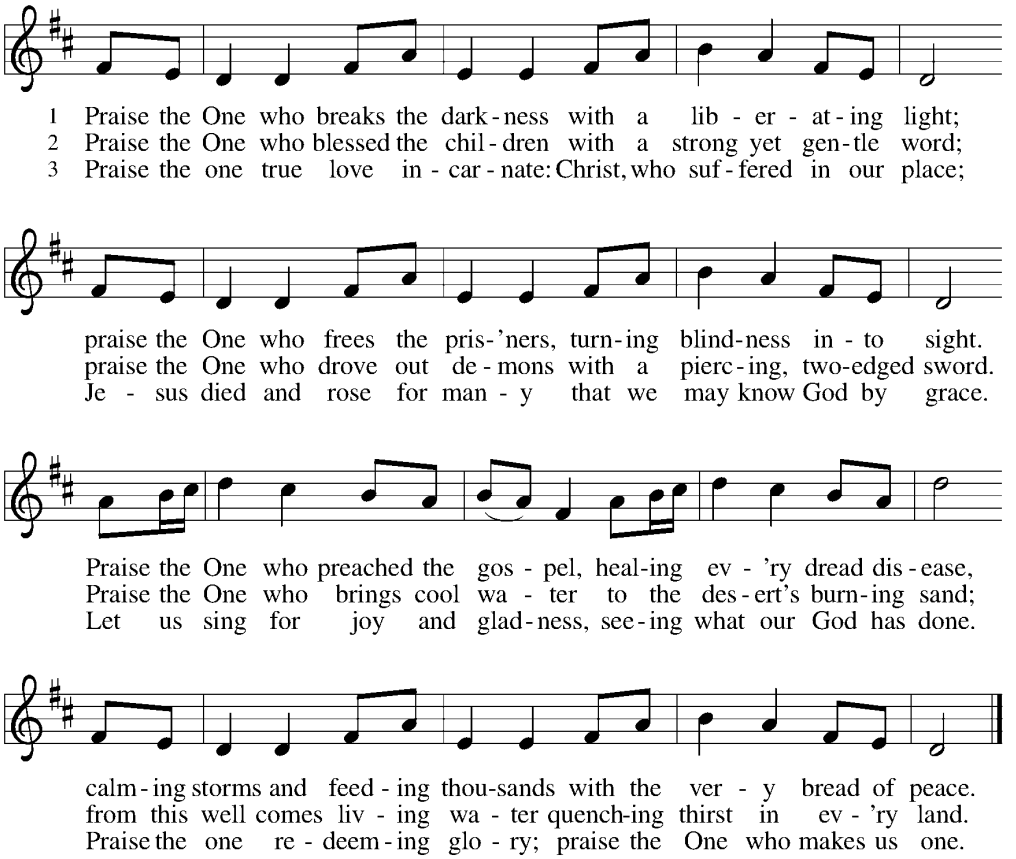
ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

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

Amen.

SENDING SONG: *Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness* (ELW 843)



DISMISSAL
Go in peace. Encourage one another.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: ***Trumpeting in Bb (Goodwin)***

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of November 8 - 15, 2026

Sunday, November 8 – 24th Sunday after Pentecost
9:30 am **Worship w/Holy Communion**
10:45 am Sunday School, Confirmation & Adult Education Classes

Monday, November 9
9:00 am 4 & 5 Year Old Preschool
10:00 am Widows Support Group
12:00 pm Staff Meeting

Tuesday, November 10
9:00 am 3,4 & 5 Year Old Preschool
9:15 am Preschool Chapel
9:30 am Lectionary Group with Pastor Berg
3:30 pm Weekly News Submission Deadline
6:00 pm Nominating Committee
7:00 pm Finance Committee

Wednesday, November 11
Veterans Day – Church office will be open
9:00 am No Preschool

Thursday, November 12
Church Office Closed
9:00 am 3, 4 and 5 Year Old Preschool
9:30 am FLC Quilters
7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Friday, November 13
Church Office Closed

Saturday, November 14
9:00 am Garden Guild
Altar Guild

Sunday, November 15 – 25th Sunday after Pentecost
9:30 am **Worship w/Holy Communion**
10:45 am Sunday School, Confirmation & Adult Education Classes

November 15, 2026
25th Sunday after Pentecost

Matthew 9:13
Micah 1:3-5; 5:2-5a; 5:6-8
What Does God Require?

Weekly Financial Report for October November 1, 2026

Attendance in Person: 135 **General Offerings: $11,255**	**Online: 25** **Capital Improvement: $1,700**	**Roof Fund: $6,621**

Praying for Our Neighbors and the World

Please include in your prayers: Lebanon, Israel, Palestine, Iran and the Gulf nations, Global Refuge, Lutheran World Relief and any people falsely investigated by ICE.

Those living with cancer:
Juanita (Bonnie Ahlstedt's sister-in-law), **Jen & Dave** (Baker family friend), **Shilo** (Rene & Rob Baker's great-nephew), **Sue & Lee** (Beth Bowers' cousins), **Mark** (Dick Boyce's son), **Claire** (Bruce and Darlene Toycen's niece), **Vivian** (Jennifer Cleaves' mother), **Lisa** (Steve Coble's sister), **Trygve Enger** (member), **Tracee** (Bonnie Ahlstedt's friend), **Norma** (Kristin Smith's friend), **Pete** (Paula Glandon's friend), **Robb** (Jamie Lindell's brother), **John** (Susan Berg's brother), **Gene** (Kathy Telford-Luiz' husband), **Ted** (Sue Toyoda's friend), **Kip** (Paul Desilet's uncle), **Marin** (Beth & Gordy Phelps' friend), **Sarah** (Ashley Phelps' friend), **Deborah** (Vicki Shanks' cousin), **Fern** (Surya Skjonsby's friend), **Veronica** (Nora Strothman's cousin), **Joe** (Barb Thieme's brother), **Ted** (Thomas family friend), **Peter** (Joyce & Carsten Thode's brother-in-law), **Arlene** (Darlene Toycen's friend), **August** (Karey Coble's friend), **Cecilia** (Dave Shogren's cousin).

Those who are ill, have an injury or who are recovering from surgery:
Deb (Ross Cook's sister), **Tom Agnew** (member), **Jose Alcaraz** (member), **George** (Kris Dersch's father), **Carolyn Becker** (member), **Dick Boyce** (member), **Doug** (Ho Brown's brother-in-law), **Susan** (Bob Berg's cousin), **Jamie** (Kathy Telford-Luiz' sister), **John** (Linda Chapman's brother-in-law), **Darlene** (Richard Chester's sister), **Darrell** (Ingrid Cloud's son), **Nancy Davis** (member), **Pete** (Sally DelVecchio's husband), **Lee** (Cheryl and Elmer Fleury's son), **Teresa & Lucy** (Baker family friends), **Zach** (Trevor Coble's friend), **Patti** (Kathy Steig's friend), **Debbie** (Sandy Hendricks' cousin), **Jennifer** (Dan Hendricks' niece), **Phyllis** (Ingrid Cloud's sister), **David** (Tom Larsen's cousin), **Catherine** (Jamie Lindell's mother-in-law), **Jaimie Lindell** (member), **Liz** (Marlis Pehling's friend), **Karen Johnson** (member), **Phillip** (Karen Johnson's brother), **Marlo** (Leona Keltner's friend), **Kathy Koneiczka** (member), **Richard Konieczka** (Kathy Konieczka's husband), **Doug** (Justin LaFord's father), **Loretta** (Nora Strothman's sister-in-law), **Anjali** (frequent visitor), **Peggy & David** (Nancy McGee's friends), **Wendy Morgan** (member), **Betty** (Ingrid Cloud's friend), **Margot** (Kim McCaw's mother), **Ron** (Sandy Hendricks' brother-in-law), **Dennis** (Dave Shogren's brother), **Mona Shogren** (member), **Ron** (Beth Phelps' brother), **Kevin** (Trygve Enger's son-in-law), **Sandy Sailand** (member), **Jennifer** (Irene Cloud's friend), **Kayden** (Karey Coble's nephew), **Harriett** (Roger Steinke's friend), **Kathy Telford-Luiz** (member), **Nick** (Kathy Steig's son), **Becky** (Ray Thomas' sister), **Clair** (Darlene & Bruce Toycen's niece), **Kristi** (Sue Toyoda's sister-in-law), **Ron Tuck** (member), **Molly** (Haley Neff-LaFord's friend), **Mari** (Sue Ebert's sister).

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:
Valerie (Kendahl Adjorlolo's cousin), **Bonnie Ahlstedt** (member), **Diane** (Rene & Rob Baker's friend), **Ida Beth Morgan** (member), **Roger Wolter** (member).

Those Serving Our Country:
AIR FORCE: **Jake Peoples** (Andrea & Eric Peoples' son)

NAVY: **Christopher Whipple** (Carolyn Whipple's son)

COAST GUARD: **Gage McIntyre** (Tamara McIntyre's son)

We are honored to be able to pray for your family and friends in need. Our policy is to publish immediate concerns for 2 weeks, unless we hear from you that an illness or situation is ongoing.



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