Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Last Sunday of the Church Year Sunday November 20, 2022



For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross. *Colossians* 1:19–20

Mount Hope Lutheran Church

Sunday Service - 9:30am Sunday Bible Study – after Service Wednesday Bible Study – 10:30am (313) 565- 9445 5323 Southfield Allen Park, MI 48101

Rev. Paul Pollatz

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Welcome! Members and Guests

We are blessed to have you here today. Please fill out the Guest/Member Attendance Card located in the pew rack in front of you. Guests please include your full address, zip code, and phone number. The cards will be collected by the ushers early in the service. Prayer Requests cards are available in the pew racks and should be handed to the ushers when the attendance cards are collected.

Holy Communion

The Lord's Supper is a sacrament in which Jesus' body and blood are given in and with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:26-30). When we receive the Holy Communion at a church, we are making a public statement that we agree with the teachings of that church (1 Corinthians 10:14-18). The Bible cautions us against receiving the body and blood of Christ in a manner that is spiritually harmful (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). Therefore, we invite to the Lord's Supper those who have been instructed and confirmed in the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod.

Large Print Bulletins

Large print worship guides are available at the ushers' stand.

Listening Devices

Listening devices are available; our ushers will be glad to assist you in signing one out for today's service.

Pew Cushions

Pew cushions are available; our ushers will be glad to get them for you.

Wheelchair Accessible Seating

Wheelchair seating is located in the fifth row from the front of the church on the left and right side of the center aisle.

Church Nursery

Our Nursery is located in the Parlor, which is the first room next to the stained glass doors. The worship service can be heard in this room. The ushers can direct you to this room.

Our Divine Service, & Bible Studies

Our Divine Service is held on Sundays at 09:30 a.m. Bible Study is held on Sundays after Service and Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Our Bible studies are held Sep-May.

Our Vision Statement: Revitalize Within—Reach Out!

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR November 20, 2022 PRELUDE THE RINGING OF THE BELLS PREPARATION

Pastor: "For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross" (Colossians 1:19–20). On the cross, Jesus died for the sins of the world. On the cross, Jesus comforted one of the criminals crucified with Him. On the cross, Jesus interceded even for those who crucified Him. On the cross, Jesus makes peace by His blood.

(Please stand)

№ PREPARATION

HYMN

"Chief of Sinners Though I Be" LSB 611 vs 1 & 2
Chief of sinners though I be,
Jesus shed His blood for me.
Died that I might live on high,
Lives that I might never die.
As the branch is to the vine,
I am His, and He is mine.

Oh, the height of Jesus' love,
Higher than the heav'ns above,
Deeper than the depths of sea,
Lasting as eternity!
Love that found me-wondrous thoughtFound me when I sought Him not

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ♥ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: (spoken) Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: Though darkness surrounds us, **People: Christ shines His light upon us.**

Pastor: Though our world is full of war and violence,

People: Christ is our peace.

Pastor: Though our relationships are strained and broken.

People: Christ brings reconciliation and redemption.

Pastor: Though we fail to remember Jesus,

People: He always remembers us.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

People: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of

the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Pastor: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: (spoken) Amen

₩ WORD ₩



INTROIT *Psalm 104:24, 27–28, 30; antiphon: v. 33* Pastor: I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;

People: I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

Pastor: O LORD, how manifold are Your works! In wisdom

have You made them all;

People: the earth is full of Your creatures.

Pastor: These all look to You,

People: to give them their food in due season.

Pastor: When You give it to them, they gather it up;

People: when You open Your hand, they are filled with good things.

Pastor: When You send forth Your Spirit, they are created,

People: and You renew the face of the ground.

GLORIA PATRI (sing)

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

KYRIE (sing)

All: Lord, have mercy upon us Christ, have mercy upon us Lord, have mercy upon us

HYMN OF PRAISE

"O Worship the King" LSB 804 vs 1
O worship the King all glorious above
O gratefully sing His pow'r and His love
Our shield and defender the Ancient of Days
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: (spoken) And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, You reign among us by the preaching of Your cross. Forgive Your people their offenses that we, being governed by Your bountiful goodness, may enter at last into Your eternal paradise; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: (spoken) Amen.

(Please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT READING Malachi 3:13–18 ESV

"Your words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, 'How have we spoken against you?' You have said, 'It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts? And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape." Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name. "They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord. **People:** (spoken) **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Give Thanks"
Sung by the Choir

EPISTLE Colossians 1:13-20 ESV

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord. **People:** (spoken) **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand as we sing)

THE TRIPLE HALLELUJAH

People: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

VERSE Luke 23:43

Pastor: Alleluia. Truly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise. Alleluia.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-third chapter.

People: (sing) Glory to You, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 23:27–43 ESV

And there followed him a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. But turning to them Jesus said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For behold, the days are coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us,' and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?" Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the

Jews." One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **People:** (sing) **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY

"I Lay My Sins on Jesus" LSB 606
I lay my sins on Jesus
The spotless Lamb of God
He bears them all and frees us
From the accursed load
I bring my guilt to Jesus
To wash my crimson stains
Clean in His blood most precious
Till not a spot remains

I lay my wants on Jesus
All fullness dwells in Him
He heals all my diseases
My soul He does redeem
I lay my griefs on Jesus
My burdens and my cares
He from them all releases
He all my sorrows shares

I rest my soul on Jesus
This weary soul of mine
His right hand me embraces
I on His breast recline
I love the name of Jesus
Immanuel, Christ, the Lord
Like fragrance on the breezes
His name abroad is poured

(Please be seated)

PRAYER REQUESTS

please pass your requests to the person nearest the aisle and the ushers will pick them up during the singing of the hymn of the day.

++ SERMON ++

The Book of Zechariah

Key Verse: Zechariah 8:9

Outline

Through Apocalyptic Imagery, Zechariah unveils Christ.

- I. Zechariah writes in the symbolic style of apocalyptic literature.
- II. An example is the image of the woman in the basket.
- III. But easier to see is how our King riding into Jerusalem depicts Christ conquering our enemies.
- IV. Even the last dark chapters of Zechariah promises us God's peace in that humble king.

The Book Of Malachi

Key Verse: Malachi 1:6a

Outline

Malachi Gives the Priests and People—Including Us—a Pep Talk and Reaffirms God's Promise of Messiah.

- I. Through dramatic dialogues by Yahweh, Malachi challenges Judah's half-hearted commitment to the Lord.
- II. Fortunately, God is gracious, for he still promises **them "the** sun of righteousness . . . with healing in its wings" (4:2).
- III. Since the same promises apply to us, we ask ourselves whether we are fully committed to our forgiving God.

(Please stand as we prepare to confess our faith)

Nicene Creed

People: 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.

(Please be seated or kneel as you are able for the Prayer of the Church)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Lord Jesus Christ, You defeat all the powers of evil and darkness. Strengthen us to resist the temptations of Satan. Surround us with Your truth and light. Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor,

People: (spoken) be our strong defender.

Pastor: Lord, we live in a world torn apart by war and violence. All human-made peace is only temporary, but You have made eternal peace by the blood of Your cross. Encourage us by Your peace, which passes all understanding. Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor,

People: (spoken) be our strong defender.

Pastor: Lord, we bring before You all who are struggling with infertility. Remind them that their identity is only in You and Your goodness and fruitfulness. Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor,

People: (spoken) be our strong defender.

Pastor: Lord, You have borne our griefs and shared in our sorrows. Bring Your comfort to all those who are suffering in grief, Point them to the hope of the resurrection to eternal life with Jesus. Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor,

People: (spoken) be our strong defender.

Pastor: Lord, strengthen all those who struggle with addictions. Break their bondage and lead them to get the help they need. Give them the courage to ask for help. Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor,

People: (spoken) be our strong defender.

Pastor: Lord, aid all pastors, teachers, church planters, missionaries, musicians, and servants in Your Church. Embolden them as they bring Your Word to Your people so that more and more people may see Your light. Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor,

People: (spoken) be our strong defender.

Pastor: Lord, look with favor upon all who are sick, injured, and recovering, Have mercy upon them and restore them to health according to Your wisdom. Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor,

People: (spoken) be our strong defender.

Pastor: Lord Jesus, we commend all these people and situations to Your infinite wisdom and power, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: (spoken) Amen.

(Please be seated as the offering is being received and Hymn 783 is sung)

OFFERING

HYMN

"Take My Life and Let It Be" LSB 783 vs 1-4

Take my life and let it be

Consecrated Lord to Thee

Take my moments and my days

Let them flow in ceaseless praise

Take my hands and let them move
At the impulse of Thy Love
Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee

Take my voice and let me sing
Always only for my King
Take my lips and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee

Take my silver and my gold
Not a mite would I withhold
Take my intellect and use
Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose

(Please stand)

▼ SACRAMENT ▼

PREFACE 2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: (spoken) And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: (spoken) We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: (spoken) It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS (sing) LSB 195

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory

Hosanna

Hosanna

Hosanna in the highest

Blessed is He

Blessed is He

Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord

Hosanna,

Hosanna

Hosanna in the highest

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: 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.

People: (spoken) Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25
Pastor: 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."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9-13

People: 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.

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: (spoken) Amen.

AGNUS DEI (Sung) LSB 198

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God that takest away the sin of the world have mercy upon us

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

"I Come, of Saviour, to Thy Table" LSB 618 VS 1 & 2

I Come O Savior to Thy table

For weak and weary is my soul

Thou Bread of Life alone art able

To satisfy and make me whole

Lord may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good

Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning
That sinners may salvation see
Who Lord to Thee in faith are turning
So I a sinner come to Thee

Lord may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good (Please stand at the conclusion of the distribution for the blessing followed by the Post-Communion Canticle)

THE POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.

People: (spoken) Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

THE NUNC DIMITTIS (sung) TLH p. 29-30

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: 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.

People: (spoken) Amen.

BENEDICTION Numbers 6:24–26

Pastor: 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.

People: (spoken) Amen.

HYMN

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" LSB 761
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood,
From Thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure:
Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

Not the labors of my hands
Can fulfill Thy Law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone;
Thou must save, and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring; Simply to Thy cross I cling. Naked, come to Thee for dress; Helpless, look to Thee for grace; Foul, I to the fountain fly; Wash me, Savior, or I die While I draw this fleeting breath,
When mine eyelids close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown,
See Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee.

(Please be seated)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

People: (spoken) Thanks be to God!

THOSE SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

Rev. Paul Pollatz, Pastor

Marie Brown, Organist

Dave Brown, Elder & Reader

Gary Mason, Glenn Cairns & Kim Armstrong, Ushers

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Decorating

November 26th @ 9am

No Wednesday Bible Study November 23rd

Christmas Bazaar Tables

The ladies of Quilting and LWML are having a table in the narthex with special Christmas items. All items are free will offering except the quilts. Large \$40 Small \$25. All proceeds go to replenish quilling supplies/ batting & a portion will go to LWML Mite box offerings. Any gently

used items are welcome especially Christmas items. The table will be up until end of December. Any donations can be put on the table or in the church office.

Toys for Tots

until December 14th
Please bring unwrapped toys and place in box in narthex.

Poinsettia's For Christmas:

\$15.00 per plant.

LAST DAY TO SIGN UP

Place money in envelope with name.

Christmas Party

To celebrate the beginning of advent.

Sunday December 4th at 11am.

Meat & drinks provided.

Please sign up for a dish or dessert to pass.

Music & Prizes. Bring a Friend!

Mt. Hope Preschool will be joining us for a performance!

BINGO!

November 30th & December 14th

Quilting

November 17th & December 1st

Something to think about...

A dream written down with a date becomes a goal
A goal broken down into steps becomes a plan
A plan backed by action makes your dreams come true!

Attendance

Sunday November 13th 9:30 am 42

Prayer List

If sudden illness or the need for immediate prayers occurs, please feel free to contact our Prayer Chain leader, Joan Hafkesbrink, at 313.565.6871. Prayer requests will remain on the list for two weeks.

Anniversary

Birthdays

For the Shut-Ins

Dorothy MacTavish, at home
Camell Faulk, at home
Phyllis Witte, at home
Melvin Kimbrough, at home
Lynn Mayfield, at home
Albert Glueck, at home
Shirley Ripke, at home

For Those Who Are Sick or Healing

Mark Ritthuler, Joan from quilting's son, hospitalized due to ongoing health issues.

Lisa Trout, healing from hurt back

Phyliss Moore, Friend of Hamilton, ill with cancer

The Jim Doyle Family, wife Pat was called to glory after a long illness; pray for comfort and help to look to our Heavenly Father in their time of sorrow.

Shirley Ripke, for patience while dealing with health issues

Diane Brown, Sandy Cairns' sister

Cherie Hannan, coworker of Glenn Cairns, recovering from surgery.

Nena Mullins, Friend of Pam Benford, home and preparing for chemo treatments

Joan Hafkesbrink, for healing & patience

Jim Smith, for continued healing after surgery

Pat Bates, pray for continued strength and stamina

Linda Mesea, Pat Bates sister, seriously ill

Susan McPherson, friend of the Utcai's, now in rehab, thank the Lord for the progress.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES AT MOUNT HOPE

Sunday	9:30 am - Worship w/ HC
November 20	Voter's Meeting after service
Wednesday November 23	NO BIBLE STUDY
Thursday	Office Closed
November 24	Happy Thanksgiving!
Friday November 25	Office Closed
Sunday	9:30 am - Worship w/ HC
November 27	Bible Study after Service

