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Welcome to Worship :: February 23rd, 2025

**Gathered by God, We Live Our Faith With:
Compassion, Grace, Gratitude, and Joy.**

Today's Worship Ministers

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Check Out Our Welcome Center

Coffee Station: We have a variety of Coffee and Tea options in our Narthex. Feel free to enjoy your beverage throughout the worship service

Giving Station: Our offering Plate and Vision and Purpose Giving Jar are located under the Narthex window

February's Vision and Purpose supports Lutheran Disaster Response, for the California Wildfires.

Weekly Newsletters: Print Copies of our weekly newsletter are available under the Narthex Window. The email version will be sent out on Monday. If you wish to receive a copy by email or a hard copy by mail, please let Pastor Jamie know.

In Our Prayers

Linda Ellison, Ila Roseberry, Kathi Cruce, Dean Sandstrom, Emily Agema, Cecil Lovdahl, Janet Lowe, Brian Elliott, Hannah Taylor, Suzanne Lovdahl, Wes Lovdahl, Christopher Greene, Chuck Michling, Grace Banks

Who Is Jesus Bible Study

Our Bible Study continues on Sundays, except for February 23rd, through March 2nd.

Scout Pancake Supper

Tuesday, March 4th, the Scout Troop 4705 will have a pancake supper fundraiser from 5:00—6:30 PM in our fellowship hall.

Order of Service

Gathering

Announcements, Prelude
Confession and Forgiveness
Peace

Opening Hymn: ELW 842, Oh Worship the King

The Word

Pastoral Greeting
Kyrie: ACS Setting 12, page 31
Hymn of Praise: ACS Setting 12, page 31

Prayer of the Day

O Lord Jesus, make us instruments of your peace, that where there is hatred, we may sow love; where there is injury, pardon; and where there is despair, hope. Grant, O divine master, that we may seek to console, to understand, and to love in your name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Genesis 45:3-11, 15; 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

Gospel Acclamation: ACS Setting 12, page 33

Luke 6:27-38

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: He Leadeth Me

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of Intercession

Holy Communion

Offering Prayer

Offering Hymn: ACS 1000, God's Work, Our Hands vv 1 & 4

Great Thanksgiving: ACS Setting 12, page 36

"Holy, Holy, Holy": ACS Setting 12, page 36

Lord's Prayer

"Be Known to Us": ACS Setting 12, page 40

Distribution

Post Communion Prayer

Sending

Benediction

Closing Hymn: ELW 536, God Be With You Til We Meet

Again

Dismissal

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

3 Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

4 Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come closer to me.” And they came closer. He said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. 5 And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. 6 For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. 7 God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth and to keep alive for you many survivors. 8 So it was not you who sent me here but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. 9 Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me; do not delay. 10 You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. 11 I will provide for you there, since there are five more years of famine to come, so that you and your household and all that you have will not come to poverty.’ 15 And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them, and after that his brothers talked with him.

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

35 But someone will ask, “How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?” 36 Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. 37 And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. 38 But God gives it a body as he has chosen and to each kind of seed its own body.

42 So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable. 43 It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness; it is raised in power. 44 It is sown a physical body; it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. 45 Thus it is written, “The first man, Adam, became a living being”; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. 46 But it is not the spiritual that is first but the physical and then the spiritual. 47 The first man was from the earth, made of dust; the second man is^[f] from heaven. 48 As one of dust, so are those who are of the dust, and as one of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. 49 Just as we have borne the image of the one of dust, we will also bear the image of the one of heaven.

50 What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

Luke 6:27-38

27 “But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; 28 bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. 29 If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. 30 Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. 31 Do to others as you would have them do to you.

32 “If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. 33 If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. 34 If you lend to those from whom you expect to receive payment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. 35 Instead, love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return.^[a] Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. 36 Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

37 “Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; 38 give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap, for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”