TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
NOVEMBER 9, 2025
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> > 10:30 A.M.

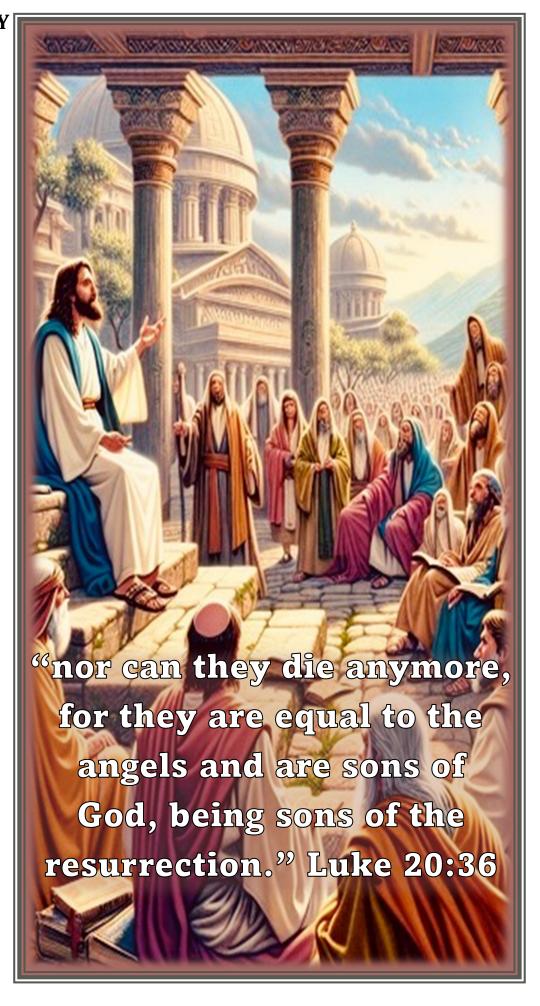
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WELCOME to IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all our visitors this morning. It is our hope that you will benefit by your worship here with us, and that you will return again soon. We would greatly appreciate it if everyone would fill out an Attendance/Communion card so that we can keep track of our attendance. They are located in the pew racks in front of you.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated every Sunday at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as Christ our Lord says, He gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:26-29). And through this sacrament, He strengthens us for new life in Him (Romans 8:10;1 Peter 2:4). Jesus personally invites weak sinners (Mark 9:24) who trust His words, "This is My body which is given for you... this cup is the new covenant in My blood which is shed for you" (Luke 22:19-20), to receive His blessings of forgiveness, life and salvation. (Romans 8:31-32). Because "he who eats and drinks our Lord's body and blood in an unworthy manner drinks judgement to oneself" (1 Corinthians 11:29), and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith by those gathered at this altar (1 Cor.10:17;11:26), any who have not been instructed, or who hold a confession and church fellowship differing from that of this congregation, and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and desire to receive the Sacrament, should first arrange to speak with the pastor. For further study, see Matthew 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-26; Luke 22:14-20; Acts 2:42; 20:7; 1 Cor. 10:14-21;11:17-34.

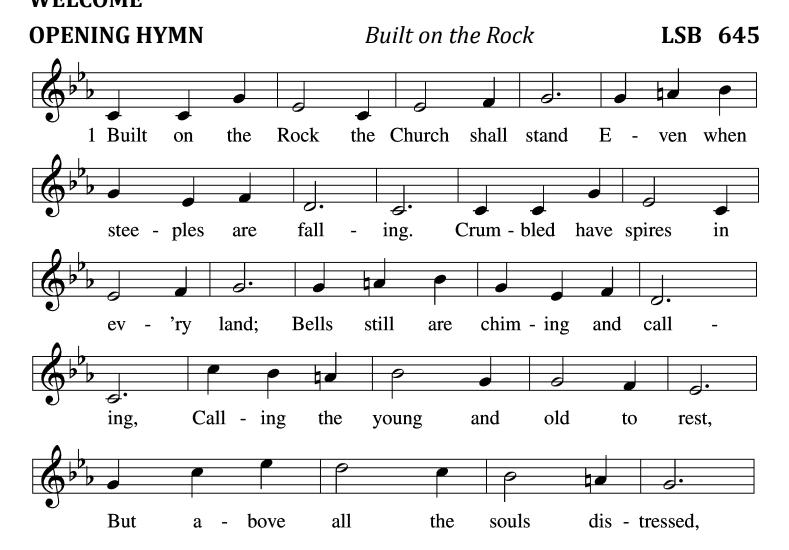
A Prayer Upon Entering Church - Eternal Holy Spirit, who has called Your church through the Gospel into the glory of my Lord Jesus Christ, protect Your chosen people. Sanctify me that I may hold fast to what is true, standing firm in Your eternal comfort and good hope; through Jesus Christ, my Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Father, one God, now and forever. Amen.

AS WE GATHER - We are not far from the "holiday season." In the secular world, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's roll into one big celebration. It is typical to have holiday traditions around special times of the year. Traditions can serve to make some moments more memorable and meaningful. But sometimes traditions add stress to an already hectic calendar or distract us from the real reason for celebrating. Before jumping headlong into the holiday season, soak up this moment in worship. See how the Lord repeatedly meets us with His best. See how surrounding ourselves with His Word and sacramental gifts truly makes us ready to celebrate, for this season and forever!

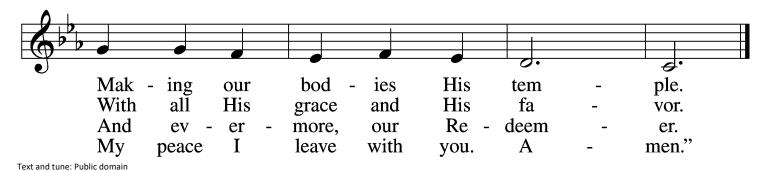
DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING THREE

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PRELUDE (a quiet time for prayer and meditation in preparation for worship) **WELCOME**







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INVOCATION

- P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

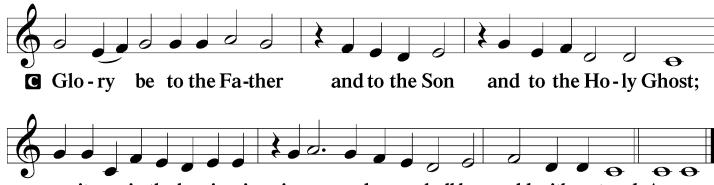
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
 (Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination)
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- 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.
- P 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.
- C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT *Psalm 115:2–4, 8, 17–18; antiphon: v. 11*

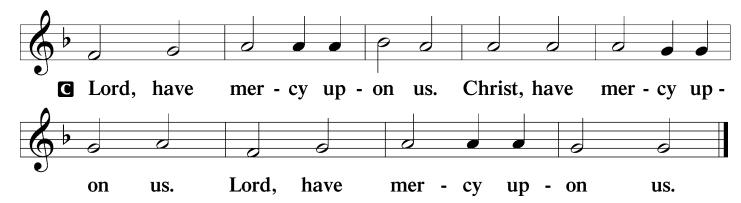
- P You who fear the Lord, trust in the Lord; He is their help and their shield.
- C Why should the Gentiles say, "So where is their God?"
- P But our God is in heaven; He does whatever He pleases.
- C Their idols are silver and gold, the work of men's hands.
- P Those who make them are like them; so is everyone who trusts in them.
- C The dead do not praise the Lord, nor any who go down into silence.
- P But we will bless the Lord from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the Lord!
- C You who fear the Lord, trust in the Lord; He is their help and their shield.

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as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

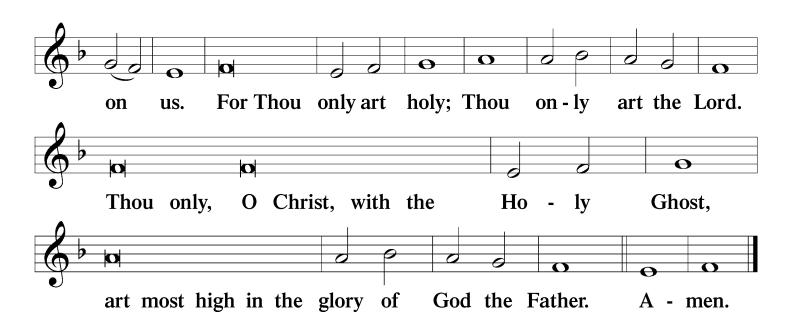
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SALUTATION and PRAYER OF THE DAY



P Living God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of Your grace to lay hold of Your promises and live forever in Your presence; 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 Exodus 3:1–15

(The Lord announces His intention to deliver Israel from slavery and mobilizes Moses to bear His name.)

1 Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian. And he led the flock to the back of the desert, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. 2 And the Angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire from the midst of a bush. So he looked, and behold, the bush was burning with fire, but the bush was not consumed. 3 Then Moses said, "I will now turn aside and see this great sight, why the bush does not burn."

4 So when the Lord saw that he turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, "Moses, Moses!"

And he said, "Here I am."

5 Then He said, "Do not draw near this place. Take your sandals off your feet, for the place where you stand is holy ground." 6 Moreover He said, "I am the God of your father—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look upon God.

7 And the Lord said: "I have surely seen the oppression of My people who are in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters, for I know their sorrows. 8 So I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up from that land to a good and large land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites and the Hittites and the Amorites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites. 9 Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel has come to Me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. 10 Come now, therefore, and I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt."

11 But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?"

12 So He said, "I will certainly be with you. And this shall be a sign to you that I have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

13 Then Moses said to God, "Indeed, when I come to the children of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they say to me, 'What is His name?' what shall I say to them?"

14 And God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And He said, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.' "15 Moreover God said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel: 'The Lord God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is My name forever, and this is My memorial to all generations.'

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 148; antiphon: v. 13

- P Let them praise the name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted; His glory is above the earth and heaven.
- C Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; Praise Him in the heights!
- P Praise Him, all His angels; Praise Him, all His hosts!
- C Praise Him, sun and moon; Praise Him, all you stars of light!
- P Praise Him, you heavens of heavens, and you waters above the heavens!
- C Let them praise the name of the Lord, for He commanded and they were created.
- P He also established them forever and ever; He made a decree which shall not pass away.
- C Praise the Lord from the earth, You great sea creatures and all the depths;
- P Fire and hail, snow and clouds; stormy wind, fulfilling His word;
- C Mountains and all hills; fruitful trees and all cedars;
- P Beasts and all cattle; creeping things and flying fowl;
- C Kings of the earth and all peoples; princes and all judges of the earth;
- P Both young men and maidens; old men and children.
- C Let them praise the name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted; His glory is above the earth and heaven.

- And He has exalted the horn of His people, the praise of all His P saints—of the children of Israel, a people near to Him. Praise the Lord!
- Let them praise the name of the Lord, for His name alone is \mathbf{C} exalted; His glory is above the earth and heaven.

EPISTLE 2 Thessalonians 2:1–8, 13–17

(Amid confusion and calamity, Paul exhorts believers to cling to his faithful teaching and the hope of Christ.)

1 Now, brethren, concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to Him, we ask you, 2 not to be soon shaken in mind or troubled, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as if from us, as though the day of Christ had come. 3 Let no one deceive you by any means; for

that Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition, 4 who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.

5 Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? 6 And now you know what is restraining, that he may be revealed in his own time. 7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only he who now restrains will do so until he is taken out of the way. 8 And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of His coming.

13 But we are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because God from the beginning chose you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth, 14 to which He called you by our gospel, for the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. 15 Therefore, brethren, stand fast and hold the traditions which you were taught, whether by word or our epistle. 16 Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and our God and Father, who has loved us and given us everlasting consolation and good hope by grace, 17 comfort your hearts and establish you in every good word and work.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

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ALLELUIA



HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 20:27-40

(Jesus silences the scribes and Sadducees by witnessing of the God of the living.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twentieth chapter.



- 27 Then some of the Sadducees, who deny that there is a resurrection, came to Him and asked Him,
- 28 saying: "Teacher, Moses wrote to us that if a man's brother dies, having a wife, and he dies without children, his brother should take his wife and raise up offspring for his brother.
- 29 Now there were seven brothers. And the first took a wife, and died without children.
- 30 And the second took her as wife, and he died childless. 31 Then the third took her, and in like manner the seven also; and they left no children, and died. 32 Last of all the woman died also. 33 Therefore, in the resurrection, whose wife does she become? For all seven had her as wife."
- 34 Jesus answered and said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage.
- 35 But those who are counted worthy to attain that age, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry nor are given in marriage; 36 nor can they die anymore, for they are equal to the angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. 37 But even Moses showed in the burning bush passage that the dead are raised, when he called the Lord 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' 38 For He is

not the God of the dead but of the living, for all live to Him."

39 Then some of the scribes answered and said, "Teacher, You have spoken well." 40 But after that they dared not question Him anymore.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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All: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven

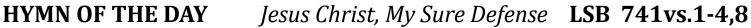
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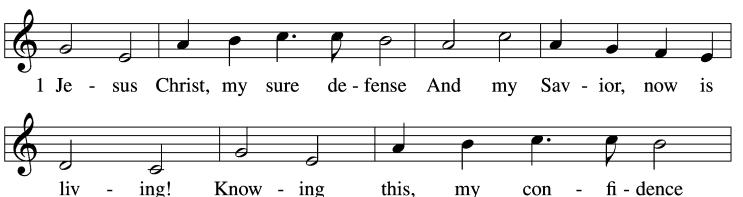
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven 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.

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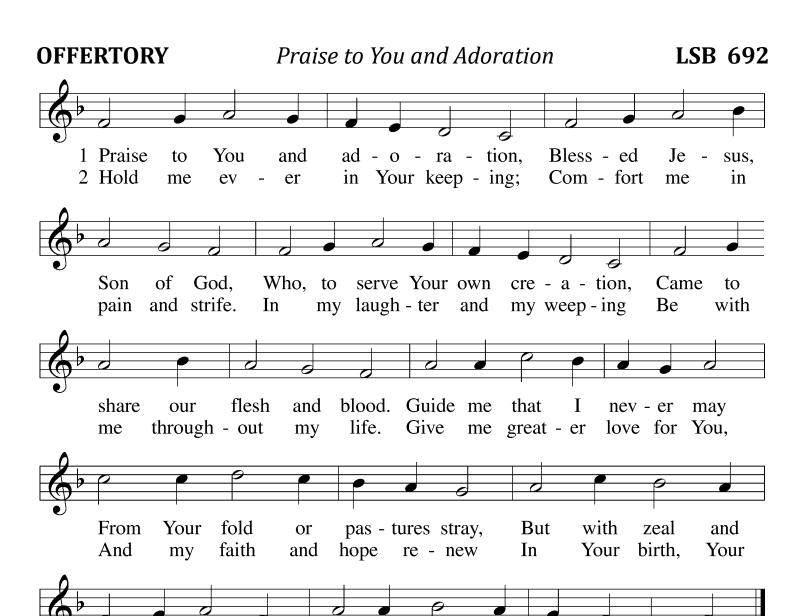
SERMON

"This age ... and that age"

Luke 20:34-38

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SHARING OF THE PEACE "Peace be with you" [American Sign Language]

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and

In

Your steps are lead - ing.

res - ur - rec - tion.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

ex - ceed - ing

life, and pas - sion,

P Great I AM, who spoke from the burning bush on Sinai's height, make Your people to know Your voice. Help us to hear Your clear and consistent Word, that we might love what You love and go where You lead. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

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P Great I AM, who heard the cries of Egypt's slaves, shower Your mercy on the downtrodden, especially victims of oppression and violence. Be their strength and support and bring them comfort and deliverance through the Gospel. Lord, in Your mercy, (Continue on next page) 15

C hear our prayer.

P Great I AM, who mobilized Moses to bear Your name as a witness to Your ancient people, provide such servants for Your people today. Call pastors, missionaries, deaconesses, teachers, and ministers of Your Word, provide for their training and care, and preserve them in their callings from failure, fear, and burnout. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Great I AM, who faced the Sadducees' interrogation about marriage, strengthen and support all Christian marriages. Supply them Your holy wisdom, defend them from evil attacks, and hold them in Your faithful hand, that they might trust they never walk alone. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Great I AM, who declared Yourself to be the God of the living, battle for our sakes the enemies of death, disease, and disability that threaten our earthly life. [Bring Your healing and comfort to . . .]. Lord, in Your mercy,

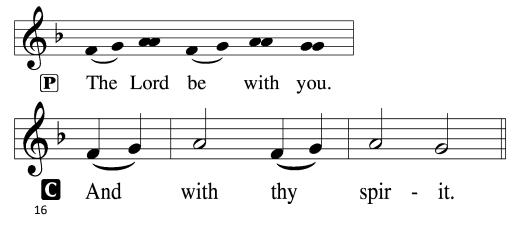
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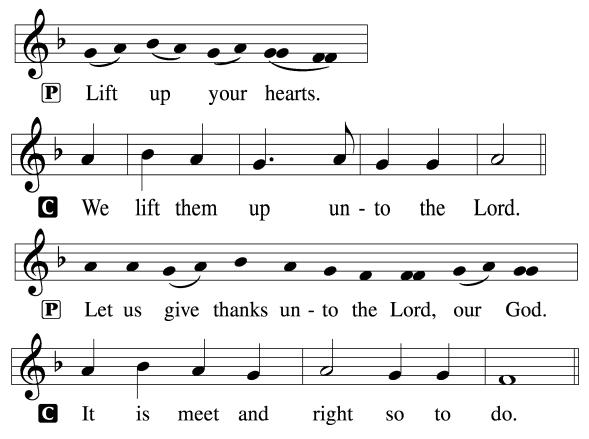
P Great I AM, who revealed Your glory to the world through the Gospel, preserve us in the one true faith, established for every good work and word, that all who believe and belong to You would have the eternal comfort and good hope of grace that comes through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with Father and Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

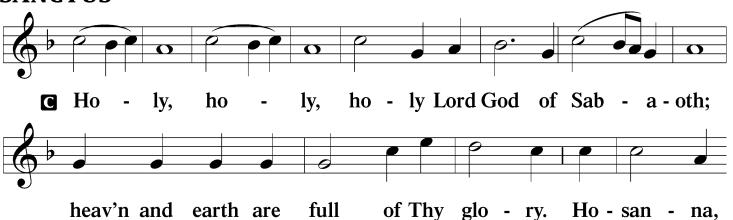
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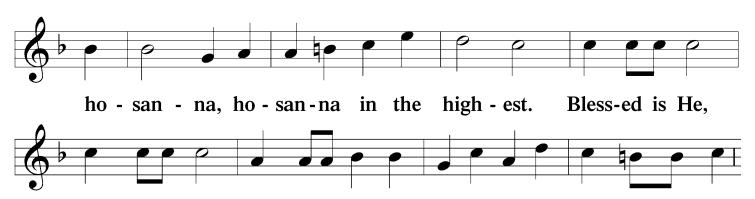
P It is truly worthy, proper, and beneficial that we would give thanks to You in every time and place, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who committed Himself both to Your fatherly will and to helpless humanity by offering Himself as a substitute and sacrifice for the sins of man. His glorious death and triumphant resurrection testify to His victory over sin and death, setting forth the Gospel that brings life to all who believe. Therefore, as those who bear witness to His triumph until He comes again, we join our voices with the saints and angels, eternally praising You and singing:





heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,

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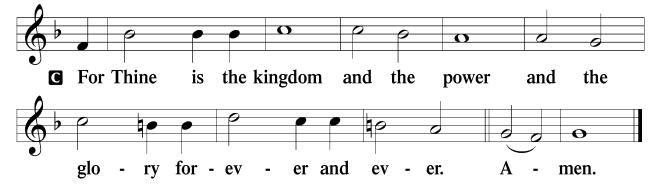
bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER (*Matthew 6:9–13*)

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.



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."
- P 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."



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SILENT PRAYER before COMMUNING

Heavenly Father, in my Holy Baptism you have called me to be Your own possession. Prepare my heart to receive the most holy body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of all my sins. Strengthen my faith, increase my love and hope, and assure me a place at Your heavenly table, where I will eat eternal manna and drink of the river of the water of life freely, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, my Lord, who lives (Continue on next page)

and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

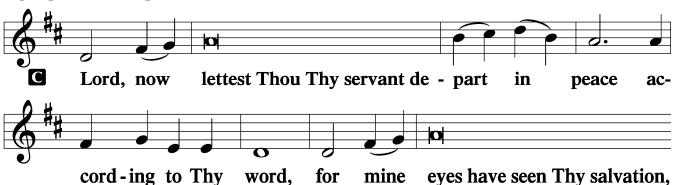


Lord, may Thy bod-y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high-est good!

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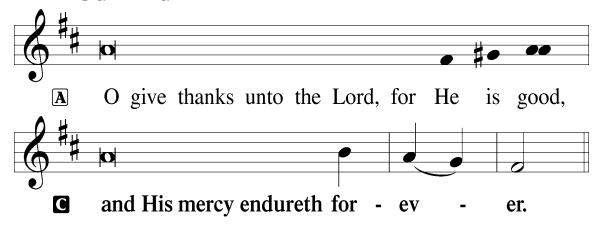
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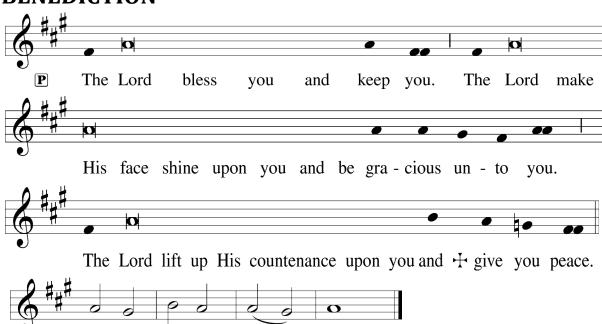
P Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, as You deliver Your free and full forgiveness, extend to us also Your good hope, which comforts our hearts and establishes us for the good works prepared for us. Hold us in Your truth, that we would not wander or waver from the relia ble testimony of Your Holy Word. And captivate our hearts so fully by Your Gospel that we cannot help but tell all creation of the glories of our triune God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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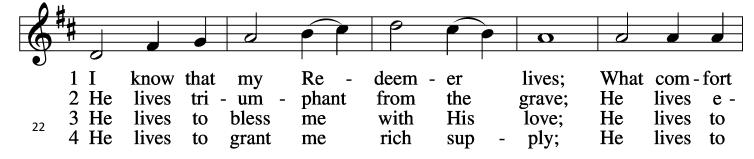
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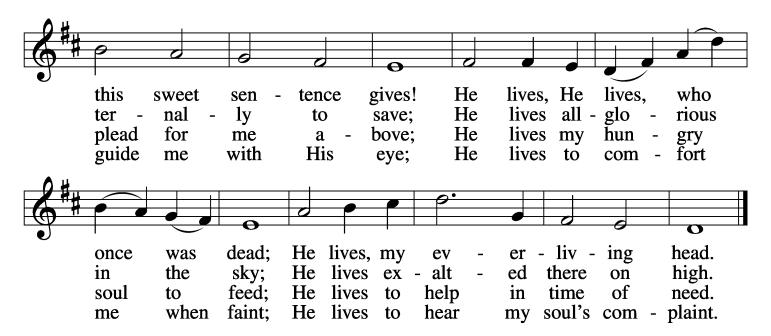
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SENDING HYMN I Know That My Redeemer Lives LSB 461 vs. 1-4,7,8

men.





- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death; He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to His name!
 He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
 Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
 I know that my Redeemer lives!

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DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace! Serve the Lord!
- C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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The Triune God Curbs Evil and Overcomes Death with Resurrection

Christians live as "sons of God, being sons of the resurrection" (Luke 20:36), for the Lord our God "is not God of the dead, but of the living" (Luke 20:38). "Those who deny that there is a resurrection" (Luke 20:27) neither know the Scriptures nor the power of God, but the baptized faithful know "that the dead are raised" (Luke 20:37). For the Lord, who was and is and is to come, knows Israel's sufferings and has "come down to deliver them" (Ex. 3:8). Moses reveals the name of Yahweh to God's chosen people, by which He is "remembered throughout all generations" (Ex. 3:15). In contrast to that sacred remembrance of His name, St. Paul warns against the antichrist, who "takes his seat in the temple of God" (2 Thess. 2:4). That lawless man preaches and practices the activity of Satan. Christians, however, are comforted by the coming of the Lord Jesus, who slays the antichrist and refutes his false doctrine "with the breath of his mouth" (2 Thess. 2:8). By His preaching, "stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught" (2 Thess. 2:15). Hear, receive and believe God's promise of love, comfort and good hope.

Memory Verse Challenge: 1 Thessalonians 5:23

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

	Bi-Weekly Church Activity Schedule				
	November Sunday Servants:				
Elder:	Earl Neuhaus				
Altar Guild:	Laura Estevanes/Maggie Weber				
Music:	Doris Pickering				
This Week	Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost				
Usher:	Ken Eilers				
Sunday:	Holy Communion Worship Service	9:00 am			
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am			
Next Week	Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost				
Usher:	Don Vogel				
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