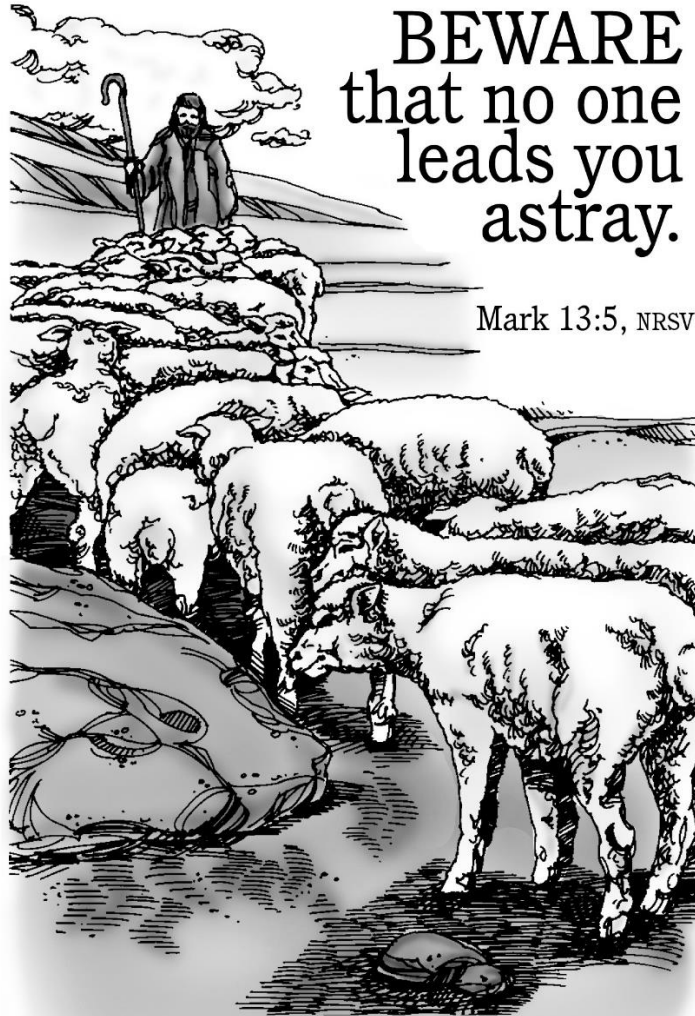


# TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 17, 2024



BEWARE  
that no one  
leads you  
astray.

Mark 13:5, NRSV

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS-LCMS

*Welcoming all to walk together  
toward abundant life in Christ.*

## **2024 THEME: JOY COMES IN THE MORNING**

*For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.*

*Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning. Psalm 30:5 (ESV)*

### **THE ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE SETTING ONE**

#### **A WORD TO OUR FRIENDS ABOUT COMMUNION:**

As members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, we believe that the body and blood of Christ are truly present “in, with, and under” the bread and wine when we receive the Sacrament. We do *not* believe that the bread and wine somehow mystically “change” into something other than bread and wine, *nor* do we believe that the bread and wine merely “represents” Christ’s body and blood; rather, we are bound by the words of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, when He said “Take eat, this is my body” and “Take drink, this is my blood.” We believe and teach that when we receive the bread and wine, we are also truly receiving the body and blood of Christ (because of His divine Word.) We also believe that the Sacrament of Holy Communion is more than just a memorial, we believe it is Christ truly coming to us and offering His body and his blood in an outward sign of His love for us and as an outward assurance of the forgiveness He won for us by His death on the cross. This is our belief and confession regarding the Sacrament of Holy Communion. If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod and if you have any questions or concerns about our Communion practices and desire to partake of Holy Communion, will you please consult with the pastor beforehand. *Gluten free communion wafers are available* by taking one from the paten (plate) that is sitting separately in a white container. *Non-alcoholic wine* (clear liquid) *is available* in the center of the tray containing individual cups of regular wine (red liquid). Having read this Communion Statement and prayerfully considered what you believe and confess, please complete the Pew Card found in the pew rack. After you place your tithes and gifts in the offering plate, please pass your Pew Card to the center aisle and the ushers will pick them up. May God truly bless our Communion Service this day.

#### **COMMUNION OPTIONS FOR THOSE WITH ALLERGIES:**

- *Gluten-free communion wafers* are available by taking one from the paten (plate) that is sitting separately in a white container.
- *Grape Juice* (clear liquid) is available in the center of the tray containing individual cups of regular wine (red liquid).

**A REMINDER:** Please turn your cell phone to mute or to vibrate during the worship service. Thank you.

#### **PRE-SERVICE MUSIC, WELCOME, The TOLLING OF THE BELLS**

1. Sing praise to God, the highest good, The author of creation,  
The God of love who understood Our need for His salvation.  
With healing balm our souls He fills And ev'ry faithless murmur stills:  
To God all praise and glory!
  
5. All who confess Christ's holy name, Give God the praise and glory.  
Let all who know His pow'r proclaim Aloud the wondrous story.  
Cast ev'ry idol from its throne, For God is God, and He alone:  
To God all praise and glory!

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## THE INVOCATION

*The sign of the cross T may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit. *LSB pg. 151*

C **Amen.** *Matthew 28:19b [18:20]*

## PSALM FOR PENTECOST 26

*Psalm 16*

P <sup>1</sup>Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

C <sup>2</sup>**I say to the LORD, “You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.”**

P <sup>3</sup>As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight.

C <sup>4</sup>**The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips.**

P <sup>5</sup>The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

C <sup>6</sup>**The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.**

P <sup>7</sup>I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

C <sup>8</sup>**I have set the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

P <sup>9</sup>Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure.

C <sup>10</sup>**For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption.**

P <sup>1</sup>You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

**ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P <sup>1</sup>Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

C <sup>2</sup>I say to the LORD, “You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.”

*(Please be seated)*

## T Confession and Absolution T

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*1 John 1:8-9*

*Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.*

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**



P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

*[John 20:19-23]*

C **Amen.**


# T Service of the Word T

HYMN OF PRAISE This Is The Feast


Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9

LSB pg. 155


*Refrain*



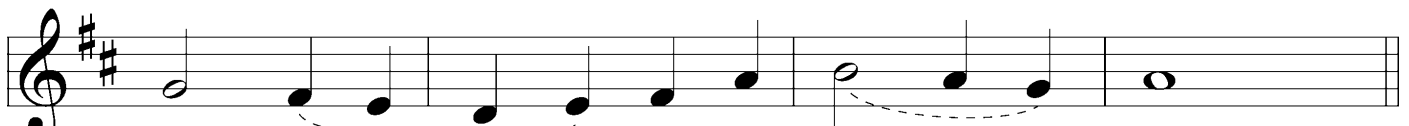
**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.




1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
5 For the Lamb \_\_\_\_\_ who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

*Final Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. O Lord, by Your bountiful goodness release us from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our weakness we have brought upon ourselves, that we may stand firm until the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Daniel 12:1–3*

*(This verse continues to speak of the end time and the persecution that awaits God's people. Jesus alludes to these words when he predicts, "At that time there will be great suffering, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, and never will be" (Matt 24:21). He will not prevent God's people from undergoing persecution, but he will sustain them during the suffering and "deliver them in the midst of it." For verse 1 continues, "But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book." These are the people John saw in his vision on the island of Patmos: "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb" (Rev. 7:14))*

<sup>1</sup>“At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. <sup>2</sup>And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. <sup>3</sup>And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC** (10:30AM) “This is My Father’s World”

Joyful Ringers

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## EPISTLE

Hebrews 10:11–25

- *(Christ offered up only one sacrifice for the sins of the world—Himself. He “perfects” or completes us by applying the benefits of His sacrifice to us in Holy Baptism and in His Holy Supper. Whenever you study the Word or hear it at church, expect the Lord to change your life and strengthen your faith, for He desires to change your heart and mind by grace. • Merciful God, for Jesus’ sake forgive my sins. Grant me the Holy Spirit, that I may fulfill Your will. Amen.)*

<sup>11</sup>Every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. <sup>12</sup>But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, <sup>13</sup>waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet. <sup>14</sup>For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.

<sup>15</sup>And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying,

<sup>16</sup>“This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord:  
I will put my laws on their hearts,  
and write them on their minds,”

<sup>17</sup>then he adds,

“I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.”

<sup>18</sup>Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

<sup>19</sup>Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup>by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, <sup>21</sup>and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup>let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup>Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup>And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, <sup>25</sup>not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand)*

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE***John 6:68**LSB 156*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

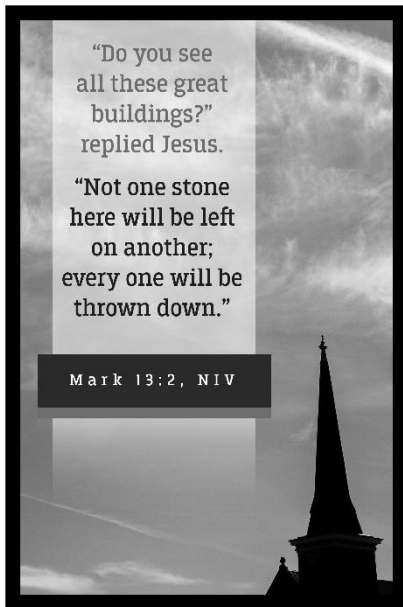
P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth chapter.

*Mark 13:1–13*

Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!” <sup>2</sup>And Jesus said to him, “Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.” <sup>3</sup>And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately, <sup>4</sup>“Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when all these things are about to be accomplished?” <sup>5</sup>And Jesus began to say to them, “See that no one leads you astray. <sup>6</sup>Many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. <sup>7</sup>And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take place, but the end is not yet. <sup>8</sup>For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These are but the beginning of the birth pains.

<sup>9</sup>“But be on your guard. For they will deliver you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them. <sup>10</sup>And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations. <sup>11</sup>And when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit. <sup>12</sup>And brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death. <sup>13</sup>And you will be hated by all for my name’s sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.”





P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

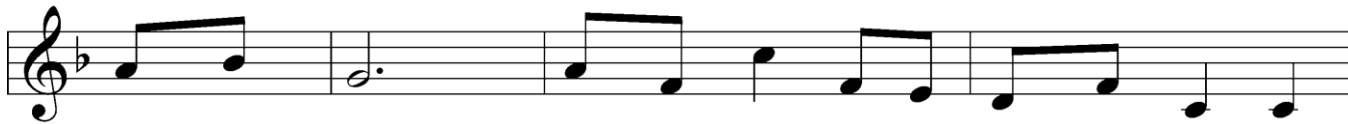
**HYMN OF THE DAY**

Sing with All the Saints in Glory

LSB 671



1 Sing with all the saints in glo - ry, Sing the res - ur -  
2 Oh, what glo - ry, far ex - ceed - ing All that eye has  
3 Life e - ter - nal! Heav'n re - joic - es: Je - sus lives who



rec - tion song! Death and sor - row, earth's dark sto - ry,  
yet per - ceived! Ho - liest hearts for a - ges plead - ing  
once was dead. Shout with joy, O death - less voic - es!



To the for - mer days be - long. All a - round the  
Nev - er that full joy con - ceived. God has prom - ised,  
Child of God, lift up your head! Life e - ter - nal!



clouds are break - ing; Soon the storms of time shall  
Christ pre - pares it; There on high our wel - come  
Oh, what won - ders Crowd on faith; what joy un -



cease; In God's like - ness we a - wak - en,  
waits. Ev - 'ry hum - ble spir - it shares it,  
known, When, a - mid earth's clos - ing thun - ders,



Know - ing ev - er - last - ing peace.  
Christ has passed the e - ter - nal gates.  
Saints shall stand be - fore the throne!

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**NICENE CREED**

**C 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.**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**P Let us pray.**

Almighty God, merciful Father, throughout this past year You have made known to us the path of life, the redemption from sin in the gracious sacrifice and life that is by faith in Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. As we contemplate the promise of Your covenant of eternal life coming in its fullness when He comes again in glory, grant to us and Your whole church, all pastors and believers, the hope and confidence of faith to endure times of trial until You bring us to the fullness of our eternal inheritance. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**P Lord of the nations, inspire the minds and wills of all, especially those leaders who are to care for all citizens, to choose the ways of justice and peace that we may live in peace and happiness. Lord, in Your mercy,**

**C hear our prayer.**



P We pray for all who suffer illness, for those troubled by anxiety over their current circumstances or the unknown future, and for all who call upon You in their need, [*especially . . . Jim DeGroot, Rev. Peter Kolb (friend of LCC), Carol Mueller*]. Give hope, healing, and peace to all even in their sufferings. Lord, in Your mercy,  
C **hear our prayer.**

P With fond remembrance we name all those who have gone before us with the sign of faith and are with You in Your nearer presence. Grant to all our departed loved ones Your light and Your peace. Lord, in Your mercy,  
C **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
C **Amen.**

### OFFERING

*For those worshipping online, please visit [www.lccross.org](http://www.lccross.org) to find links to our Give+ secured online giving portal and our online Pew Card which is called a Connect Card. Or to fill out the card directly go to <https://forms.gle/X46ym1HuZ9DCsq9s6>*



*For those worshipping in-person, please indicate your attendance and any requests on the Pew Card.*

**OFFERING MUSIC** (7:30AM) I Love Your Kingdom, Lord *LSB 651 sts. 1–4*

1. I love Your kingdom, Lord, The place of Your abode,  
The Church our blest Redeemer saved With His own precious blood.
2. Beyond my highest joy I prize its heav'nly ways,  
Its sweet communion, solemn vows, Its hymns of love and praise.
3. I love Your Church, O God, Your saints in ev'ry land,  
Dear as the apple of Your eye And graven on Your hand.
4. For them my tears shall fall; For them my prayers ascend;  
For them my cares and toils be giv'n Till toils and cares shall end.

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**SPECIAL MUSIC** (10:30AM) “Jesus, Sun of My Life, My Splendor” *Vocal Choir*

The composer is George Frederic Handel and arranged by John Leavitt  
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# † Service of the Sacrament †

## PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**



## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**P** 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.

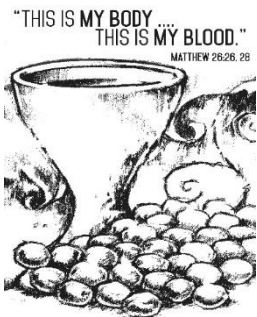
Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with 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.

**C** **Amen.**

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*Mathew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24  
Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

**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 T 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 T 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

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

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P 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*

**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

*LSB 163*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



A - men.

## AGNUS DEI

*LSB 163*



Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

## DISTRIBUTION

*The pastor and those who assist distribute the body and blood of Christ in, with, and under the bread and wine to those who come to receive, saying:*

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins. **Amen.**

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins. **Amen.**

## DISTRIBUTION HYMN

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

LSB 575



1 My hope is built on nothing less Than Je - sus'  
2 When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on  
3 His oath, His cov - e - nant and blood Sup - port me  
4 When He shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh, may I



blood and righ - teous - ness; No mer - it of my  
His un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and  
in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly  
then in Him be found, Clothed in His righ - teous -



own I claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
storm - y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.  
prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.  
ness a - lone, Re - deemed to stand be - fore His throne!



On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

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1. The day is surely drawing near When Jesus, God's anointed,  
In all His power shall appear As judge whom God appointed.  
Then fright shall banish idle mirth, And flames on flames shall ravage earth  
As Scripture long has warned us.
2. The final trumpet then shall sound And all the earth be shaken,  
And all who rest beneath the ground Shall from their sleep awaken.  
But all who live will in that hour, By God's almighty, boundless pow'r,  
Be changed at His commanding.
3. The books are opened then to all, A record truly telling  
What each has done, both great and small, When he on earth was dwelling,  
And ev'ry heart be clearly seen, And all be known as they have been  
In thoughts and words and actions.
4. Then woe to those who scorned the Lord And sought but carnal pleasures,  
Who here despised His precious Word And loved their earthly treasures!  
With shame and trembling they will stand And at the judge's stern command  
To Satan be delivered.
5. My Savior paid the debt I owe And for my sin was smitten;  
Within the Book of Life I know My name has now been written.  
I will not doubt, for I am free, And Satan cannot threaten me;  
There is no condemnation!
6. May Christ our intercessor be And through His blood and merit  
Read from His book that we are free With all who life inherit.  
Then we shall see Him face to face, With all His saints in that blest place  
Which He has purchased for us.
7. O Jesus Christ, do not delay, But hasten our salvation;  
We often tremble on our way In fear and tribulation.  
O hear and grant our fervent plea: Come, mighty judge, and set us free  
From death and ev'ry evil.

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1 Je - sus, Thy blood and righ - teous - ness My beau - ty  
 2 Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and re -  
 3 Lord, I be - lieve Thy pre - cious blood, Which at the  
 4 Lord, I be - lieve, were sin - ners more Than sands up -



are, my glo - rious dress; Midst flam - ing worlds, in  
 deemed, no debt to pay; Ful - ly ab - solved through  
 mer - cy seat of God Pleads for the cap - tives'  
 on the o - cean shore, Thou hast for all a



these ar - rayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.  
 these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.  
 lib - er - ty, Was al - so shed in love for me.  
 ran - som paid, For all a full a - tone - ment made.

5. When from the dust of death I rise To claim my mansion in the skies,  
 This then shall be my only plea: Jesus hath lived and died for me.
6. Jesus, be endless praise to Thee, Whose boundless mercy hath for me,  
 For me, and all Thy hands have made, An everlasting ransom paid.

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## POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

**P** Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.



## BENEDICTION

*Numbers 6:24-26*

P 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 T give you peace.  
C **Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN                      Jerusalem, My Happy Home                      *LSB 673 sts. 1, 5–6*

1. Jerusalem, my happy home, When shall I come to thee?  
When shall my sorrows have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?
5. Apostles, martyrs, prophets, there Around my Savior stand;  
And soon my friends in Christ below Will join the glorious band.
6. O Christ, do Thou my soul prepare For that bright home of love  
That I may see Thee and adore With all Thy saints above.

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## SILENT PRAYER

## CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS & POSTLUDE



You have been a blessing to us! Please use this time to “check-in” with your Christian brothers and sisters around you. Coffee and donuts are being served for fellowship at 9:00am in the Fellowship & Ministry Center along with our Adult Bible Class and Youth Sunday School. Please stop by and enjoy.

### Acknowledgments

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## IN OUR PRAYERS

### **Homebound Care:**

John & Lois Arens, Laura Cox, Millie Cox, Ann La Fave, Dave & Gayle DeBraccio, Marv & Lil Fitzwater, Aida Florit, Bruce & Connie Frilstad, Janet Jackson, Cris & Linda Kelly, Dale Kuhn, Dale Sawicki, Millie Tyczka, Ken & Mary Werring

### **Strength, Healing, Guidance: \***

Fran Boatwright	Recovery
Carol Burgess	Strength & healing
Jim DeGroot	Recovery & healing
Ann Hagey	Strength & healing
Brenda Hanak	Friend of LCC; Hospice Care
Val Korman	Hospice Care
Carol Meuller	Healing
Tom Rittenhouse	Pain relief & healing
Chris Sabin	Healing & recovery
Dale Sawicki	Peace & comfort

*\*Prayers will run for four consecutive weeks unless otherwise notified.*

### **Battling Cancer:**

Adriana	Family Noel & Linda Hyde; diagnosed lymphoma
Eric Sr.	Family of Rene & Sue Richard; terminal cancer
Ivana	Friend of Augusto & Isabel Vazquez; battling cancer
Karen	Daughter Ann LaFave; battling cancer
Mike	Son of Phil Woodruff; battling cancer
Rick Bausch	Son Barbara Durst; battling cancer
Cate Bocassi	Friend of LCC; battling cancer
Diana Chesen	Battling cancer
Dave DeBraccio	Battling with Leukemia, healing & strength
Lisa Anne Denofrio	Daughter Tom & Krystyna Johnson; palliative care
Bill Docherty	Brother-in-law Joy Hougan; battling cancer, surgery
Matt Doctor	Brother-in-law of Diane Barton; strength & peace
Mack Gonzales	Battling cancer
Steve Kirkland	Brother of Bruce Kirkland; battling cancer
Todd Kliez	Battling cancer
Rev. Peter Kolb	Friend of LCC; battling cancer
Audrey Kowalski	Friend of Dorothy Christman; terminal cancer
Phil Miller	Battling cancer
Patricia Ruiz	Family of Fadely/Maestas family; battling cancer
Kathy Sanders	Friend of LCC; battling cancer
Lisa Sayers	Friend of LCC; battling cancer
Barb Sullivan	Friend of LCC; diagnosed with cancer

Carmen Torres  
 Lori Truelove  
 Connie Warner

Sister-in-law of Augusto & Isabel Vazquez; cancer  
 Niece Joyce Schankin; cancer battle; strength, peace  
 Friend of Mary Woodruff; diagnosed lymphoma

**Military:**

US Army SSG. Paul Behling  
 USAF TSGT David Cope Jr.  
 US Army CSM Matt Hopkins  
 USAF Sr. Airman

Son of Ron & Cohleen Nottingham; stationed FL  
 Son of David and Shelly Cope stationed in NM  
 Grandson of Dave & Gayle DeBraccio; in Kuwait  
 Grandson of Stan & Betty Golembieski; in FL

Shawn Golembieski  
 US Navy ENS Joe Golembieski  
 US Navy Seaman Nick Golembieski  
 USCG SCPO Robert Kecken  
 USAF A1C Riley Latarski  
 Marines LCPL Jonathan Metz  
 Marines LCPL Kyle Spilker  
 USAF TSGT Kalin McDonnell  
 US Army PFC Parker Woodruff  
 Bragg

Grandson of Stan & Betty Golembieski; in VA  
 Grandson of Stan & Betty Golembieski; Seabound  
 Son Jerry & Meredith Kecken; stationed in CA  
 Granddaughter Bill & Dorothy Christman in ND  
 Grandson of Jerry & Joyce Metz; in MD  
 Grandson in law Chuck Anderson; in CA  
 Granddaughter Bill & Dorothy Christman; in MA  
 Grandson of Larry & Delila Woodruff; in Fort

**Family Prayer:** We remember all our **families** during times of personal and family **trial and tribulation.**

If you know of someone needing church prayers, please contact the church office at 941-627-6060. Be sure to have the name, relationship to the church family and what is the need for the prayer.

**LCC ATTENDANCE REPORT & WEEKLY INCOME AND EXPENSE REPORT 2024**

Week Of: 11/10/2024				
On-Site Attendance	Weekly Contributions			
	30 / 142	Income:	\$ 14,266	
		Expense:	\$ 13,846	



**VIRTUAL OFFICE HOURS \*UPDATE\*:**

Please note the church office will be closed 11/28 & 11/29 in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

The week of December 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> the church office will be operational on Virtual Hours only. If interior access will be needed for the church or FMC buildings, please call-in advance to schedule this access. We will resume regular office hours on December 9<sup>th</sup>.

**\*PLEASE NOTE THE DATES FOR THIS MODIFICATION HAVE CHANGED FROM PREVIOUS POSTINGS\***

I would like to express my thanks to the family of God at Lutheran Church of the Cross for the gift of appreciation I received recently. It is a real bonus to be appreciated for what is a true privilege and joy - sharing the Gospel of our Lord and Savior! To Him be the glory!  
*...Pastor Curt Adams*

To the saints at Lutheran Church of the Cross,  
I would like to thank you for your kindness in remembering me in your generosity for Clergy Appreciation month. As a retired guy, who just preaches now and then, I am always surprised when you take time out of your day to pen me a note thanking me for my service, It is always a joy to be with you.  
Let me thank you. Thank you for acknowledging and encouraging me. Thank you for the gift cards (my wife will enjoy the meals out). Thank you for being open to the Gospel and for being so hospitable when I have the privilege of being with you.  
God's richest blessing on you,  
*...Rev. David Barber, retired*

Thank you to anyone and everyone who welcomed us back so warmly and/or who gave cards/gifts for Pastor Appreciation month, know that your kindness and generosity are greatly appreciated!  
*...Pastor & Mary Menk*

All of us in the Stolarczyk family would like to extend a word of thanks for the outpouring of love, support, prayers, and gifts throughout the entire year and during Pastoral Appreciation month. God has used each of you to be tangible reminders of God's generous grace and steadfast love. Through the ups and downs of life and ministry, your partnership in the gospel of Jesus is truly inspiring.  
Thank you.

*...Pastor Brian, Sarah, Raymond, and Luke*





### UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

<b><u>Tues. Nov 19</u></b>	Church Council Meeting @ 6:00pm - OFH
<b><u>Sat. Nov 23</u></b>	LCC Nativity Scene Set Up @ 10:00am – Outdoor Campus
<b><u>Wed. Nov 27</u></b>	Altar Guild Communion Set Up @ 9:00am – Sacristy/Sanctuary
<b><u>Thurs. Nov 28</u></b>	Thanksgiving Worship Service @ 10:30am – Sanctuary
<b><u>Fri. Nov 29</u></b>	Altar Guild Communion Set Up @ 9:00am – Sacristy/Sanctuary

### WEEKLY RE-OCCURRING CAMPUS EVENTS:

- † **AA Meetings:** Meets weekly in the FMC @ 7:00pm  
Monday (Women Only)  
Tuesday & Wednesday (Open to all)
- † **Christian Education & Fellowship:** Every Sunday in the FMC @ 9:00am
- † **LifeLight Bible Class:** Life of David meets Thursday in the FMC @ 10:00am
- † **Handbell Choir Rehearsal:** Meets every Thursday in the Sanctuary @ 4:30pm
- † **LCC Garden Committee:** Meets every Wednesday in the Prayer Park @ 9:30am
- † **Raise Right Fundraising Team:** Meets every Sunday in the FMC  
Operates at 9:00am & after the 10:30am services
- † **SON-Seekers Bible Study:** Meets every Monday in the FMC @ 11:30am
- † **Vocal Choir Rehearsal:** Meets every Thursday in the Sanctuary @ 5:45pm
- † **Youth Confirmation Class:** Meets Tuesdays in Pastor's Study @ 6:30pm

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THESE SERVICES STREAMED ONLINE

## Thanksgiving Service

**THURSDAY: November 28th - Holy Communion**

**10:30am Sanctuary (   )**



**WEDNESDAYS: December 4th, 11th, 18th**

**10:30am ~ (Sanctuary   ) & 7:00pm ~ (Sanctuary)**



**Tuesday: December 24th 3:00pm (Sanctuary)**

**Candlelight services @ 5:00pm (Sanctuary   )**

**7:00pm (Sanctuary)**

**Wednesday: December 25th - Holy Communion**

**10:30am (Sanctuary   )**

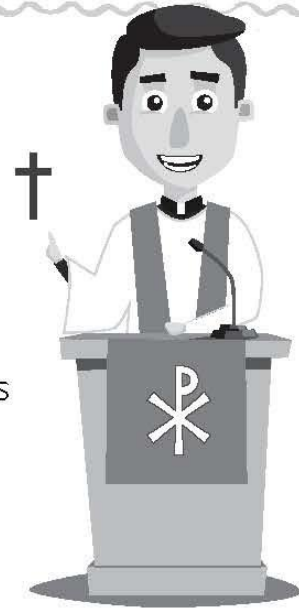


**SUNDAY: December 29th ~ Holy Communion**

**7:30am (Sanctuary) & 10:30am (Sanctuary   )**



# KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE



## What is the “pulpit”?

You probably noticed that the pastor preaches to the congregation from the same place in the church almost every time. This place is called the pulpit. The word “pulpit” comes from the Latin word “pulpitum,” meaning “scaffold.” Do you know what a scaffold is?

A scaffold is a platform which is raised high up into the air. If you have ever seen someone washing windows on a building, they were probably standing on a scaffold.

## Why do pastors preach from a pulpit?

Before the invention of the microphone, it was sometimes hard to hear what the pastor was saying. By raising the place where the pastor preaches, he could better project his voice for all of the people present to hear the wonderful Gospel. Raising the pulpit above everything else also helps to signify the importance of proclaiming God’s pure Word. What a wonderful invention the pulpit is!



**Parents:** Before or after the service, allow your child to walk up to the pulpit to get a better look. Encourage them to step into the pulpit to get a view of the congregation. Remind them to be reverent in God’s holy places. During the service, before the sermon, remind them that pastor is about to preach God’s Word and that the pulpit will help them to see and hear him clearly!



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