

**Twenty-fifth  
Sunday of  
Pentecost**

**November  
19, 2023**

**25th Sunday of Pentecost**

**November 19, 2023**

**Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 3**

*Our readings during November speak of the end times. Zephaniah proclaims that the coming day of the LORD will be filled with wrath and distress. Paul says it will come like a thief in the night and urges us to be awake and sober. Jesus tells the parable of the talents, calling us to use our gifts, while we still have time, for the greater and common good. In a world filled with violence and despair, we gather around signs of hope—word, water, bread, and wine—eager to welcome the good news of Christ’s coming among us.*

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**PRELUDE**

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**GATHERING**

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**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**P** In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit

**C Amen.**

**P** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

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

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

**P** Gracious God,

**C** have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**P** God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN**

*Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory*

**ELW 890**



- 1 Mine eyes have seen the glo - ry of the com - ing of the Lord;  
2 He has sound - ed forth the trum - pet that shall nev - er call re - treat;  
3 In the beau - ty of the lil - ies Christ was born a - cross the sea,



he is tram - pling out the vin - tage where the grapes of wrath are stored;  
he is sift - ing out the hearts of men be - fore his judg - ment seat.  
with a glo - ry in his bos - om that trans - fig - ures you and me.



he has loosed the fate - ful light - ning of his ter - ri - ble swift sword:  
Oh, be swift, my soul, to an - swer him; be ju - bi - lant, my feet!  
As he died to make men ho - ly, let us live to make men free,



his truth is march - ing on.  
Our God is march - ing on.  
while God is march - ing on.



Glo - ry, glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry, glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah!



Glo - ry, glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah! His truth is march - ing on.



## GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

## KYRIE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mer - cy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

*Refrain*



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 blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



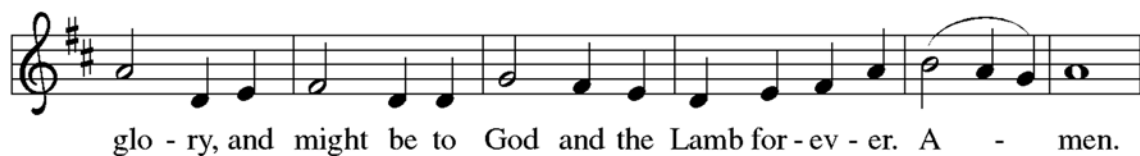
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

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## WORD

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### FIRST READING: ZEPHANIAH 1:7, 12-18

<sup>7</sup>Be silent before the Lord GOD!

For the day of the LORD is at hand;  
the LORD has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests.

<sup>12</sup>At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,

and I will punish the people  
who rest complacently on their dregs,  
those who say in their hearts,  
“The LORD will not do good,  
nor will he do harm.”

<sup>13</sup>Their wealth shall be plundered,  
and their houses laid waste.

Though they build houses,  
they shall not inhabit them;  
though they plant vineyards,  
they shall not drink wine from them.

<sup>14</sup>The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast;  
the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter,  
the warrior cries aloud there.

<sup>15</sup>That day will be a day of wrath,  
a day of distress and anguish,  
a day of ruin and devastation,  
a day of darkness and gloom,  
a day of clouds and thick darkness,

<sup>16</sup>a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities  
and against the lofty battlements.

<sup>17</sup>I will bring such distress upon people  
that they shall walk like the blind;  
because they have sinned against the LORD,  
their blood shall be poured out like dust,  
and their flesh like dung.

<sup>18</sup>Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them  
on the day of the LORD's wrath;  
in the fire of his passion  
the whole earth shall be consumed;  
for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 90:1-12

*Sung responsively*



<sup>1</sup>Lord, you have | been our refuge  
from one generation | to another.

<sup>2</sup>**Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the | earth  
were born,  
from age to age | you are God.**

<sup>3</sup>You turn us back to the | dust and say,  
“Turn back, O child- | ren of earth.”

<sup>4</sup>**For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when | it is past  
and like a watch | in the night;**

<sup>5</sup>you sweep them away | like a dream,  
they fade away suddenly | like the grass:

<sup>6</sup>**in the morning it is | green and flourishes;  
in the evening it is dried | up and withered.**

<sup>7</sup>For we are consumed | by your anger;  
we are afraid because | of your wrath.

<sup>8</sup>**Our iniquities you have | set before you,  
and our secret sins in the light | of your countenance.**

<sup>9</sup>When you are angry, all our | days are gone;  
we bring our years to an end | like a sigh.

<sup>10</sup>**The span of our life is seventy years, perhaps in strength | even eighty;  
yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow, for they pass away quick-  
ly and | we are gone.**

<sup>11</sup>Who regards the power | of your wrath?  
Who rightly fears your | indignation?

<sup>12</sup>**So teach us to num- | ber our days  
that we may apply our | hearts to wisdom.**

**SECOND READING: 1 THESSALONIANS 5:1-11**

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. <sup>2</sup>For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup>When they say, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! <sup>4</sup>But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; <sup>5</sup>for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. <sup>6</sup>So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; <sup>7</sup>for those who



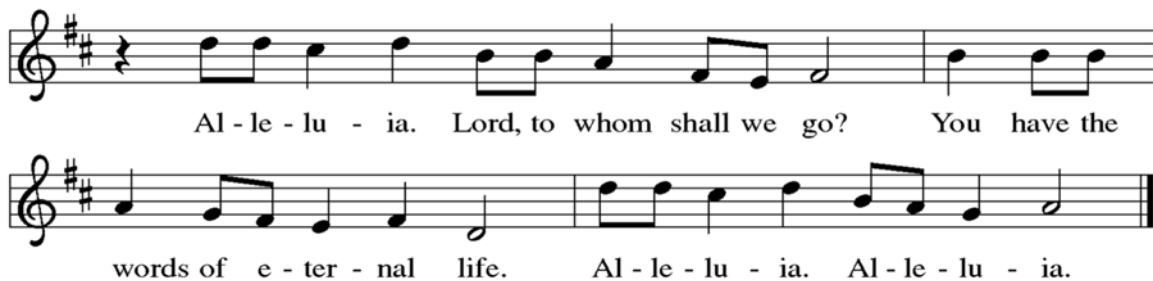
sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. <sup>8</sup>But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. <sup>9</sup>For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>10</sup>who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. <sup>11</sup>Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



P The Holy Gospel, according to Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 25:14-30**

Jesus said to the disciples: <sup>14</sup>“For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; <sup>15</sup>to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. <sup>16</sup>The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. <sup>17</sup>In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. <sup>18</sup>But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money. <sup>19</sup>After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. <sup>20</sup>Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.’ <sup>21</sup>His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ <sup>22</sup>And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.’ <sup>23</sup>His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ <sup>24</sup>Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering

where you did not scatter seed; <sup>25</sup>so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' <sup>26</sup>But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? <sup>27</sup>Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. <sup>28</sup>So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. <sup>29</sup>For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. <sup>30</sup>As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

**SERMON**

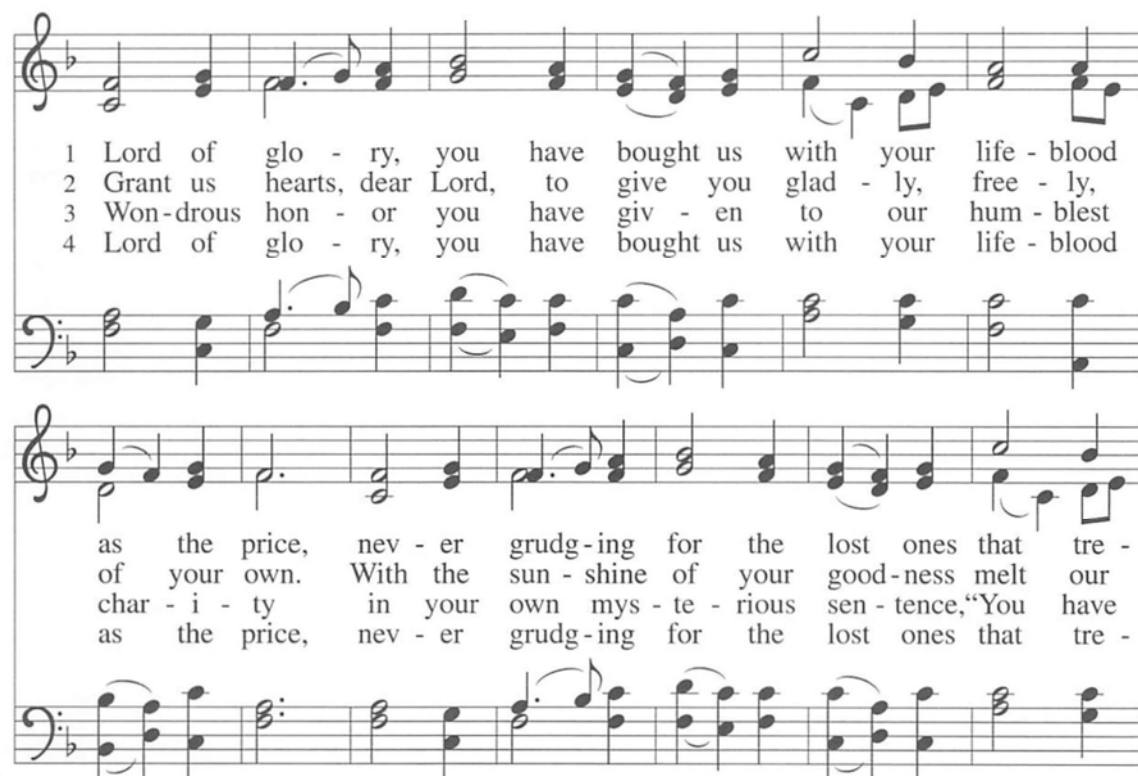
**PR. GARY TESKE**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us*

**ELW 707**

*Please stand for the final verse of the hymn.*



1 Lord of glo - ry, you have bought us with your life - blood  
 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give you glad - ly, free - ly  
 3 Won - drous hon - or you have giv - en to our hum - blest  
 4 Lord of glo - ry, you have bought us with your life - blood

as the price, nev - er grudg - ing for the lost ones that tre -  
 of your own. With the sun - shine of your good - ness melt our  
 char - i - ty in your own mys - te - rious sen - tence, "You have  
 as the price, nev - er grudg - ing for the lost ones that tre -

men - dous sac - ri - fice; and with that have free - ly giv - en  
 thank - less hearts of stone till our cold and self - ish na - tures,  
 done it all to me." Na - ked, sick, in pris - on, hun - gry—  
 men - dous sac - ri - fice. Give us faith to trust you bold - ly,

bless - ings count - less as the sand to the un - thank - ful  
 warmed by you, at length be - lieve that more hap - py  
 in the least, your face we view, say - ing by your  
 hope, to stay our souls on you: but, oh, best of

and the e - vil with your own un - spar - ing hand.  
 and more bless - ed 'tis to give than to re - ceive.  
 poor and need - y, "Give as I have giv'n to you."  
 all your grac - es, with your love our love re - new.

P Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

#### **THE PRAYERS**

A Let us turn our hearts to God, our breath and life, as we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

A Gracious God, you give talents and gifts to all your people, and you equip the church to serve. Turn us from fear and self-serving ways, that we use our talents to glorify you and encourage our neighbor. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A You have been our dwelling place from one generation to another. Sustain the life of the planet; protect farmlands and harvests. Direct all people in wise stewardship of all the earth's resources. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A You provide safety from violence to those living in areas of war. We lift the German Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Ukraine, the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Urals, Siberia and the Far East, and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land to you in prayer as they face these times of conflict. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A You call us to honesty and integrity. Instill these values in the hearts of all nations and their leaders. Free any who are oppressed, expose all corruption, and bring redemption to victims of injustice. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A You teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart. Where there is sickness or sorrow, bring healing, and where there is loneliness, reveal your love in community. We remember before you Peggy Buchholz, Naomi Walker, Linda Longren, David McGinnis, and Martha Nemeth. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A We pray for the faith formation ministries of our church. Give to all children, youth, and adults who study your word the breastplate of faith and love. Shape us by your love and show us how to encourage one another. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A We pray for Kendall Horton and Martha Nemeth as they celebrate their birthdays and for Heather Klammer as she remembers her baptism. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A We join in prayer with St. Mark Lutheran in Great Bend, St. Paul Lutheran in Herington, and Hebron Lutheran in Burdick, Kansas. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

P Gracious God, you are faithful in all generations. For the promise of life and for those who have died in faith we praise your goodness. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

P We offer our spoken prayers and those held in our hearts trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen.**

#### **THE PEACE**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

*Let us greet one another with God's peace.*

*Please be seated.*

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### **PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS**

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P We give thanks to God and seek God's blessing as we dedicate these quilts that Doorstep will give to families in need.

*Everyone lays a hand on the quilts and shawls.*

P Loving God, it is your will to bring comfort and help to the distressed. Today, we dedicate these quilts to your glory and praise. Bless these gifts wherever they may be used, that they may provide warmth and security to those who live with hardships or who have no shelter. May all who receive these quilts experience the covering of your love and forgiveness, grace and peace. We also thank you, Lord, for our members and friends who devoted their time to make these quilts. Bless their lives and give them always your joy and peace. In Jesus' name we pray.

**C Amen.**

OFFERING  
OFFERTORY SONG

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your  
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -  
store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,  
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.

C **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

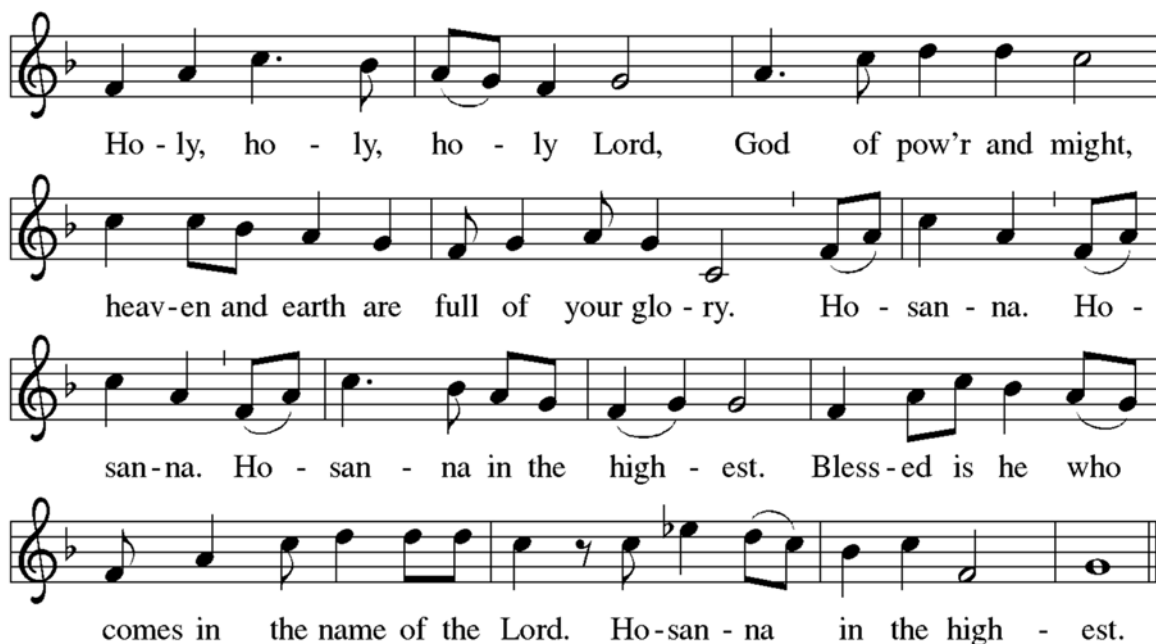
P Lift up your hearts.

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

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the witness of your saints you show us the hope of our calling and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory. And so, with all the saints, with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



#### **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

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

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

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**P** Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P There is a place for you at the banquet. Come and feast at Jesus' table.

*All are welcome to join us at the Lord's table. White grape juice is available as an alternative to wine. Everyone is invited forward to receive communion or a blessing. Hands cupped open indicate an openness to receive communion; hands closed reflect a desire to receive a blessing. We have gluten-free communion wafers available. If gluten-free is your preference, please let the pastor know when you are at the communion rail.*

## LAMB OF GOD

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.

## COMMUNION HYMN

*Christ, Be Our Light*

ELW 715





1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for  
2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for  
3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for  
4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for  
5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,  
hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone  
wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,  
warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,  
hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.  
has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.  
bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.  
shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.  
to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.

*Refrain*



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

### COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way.

C Amen.

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## SENDING

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### BLESSING

P May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of God, Sovereign, ☩ Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always.

C Amen.

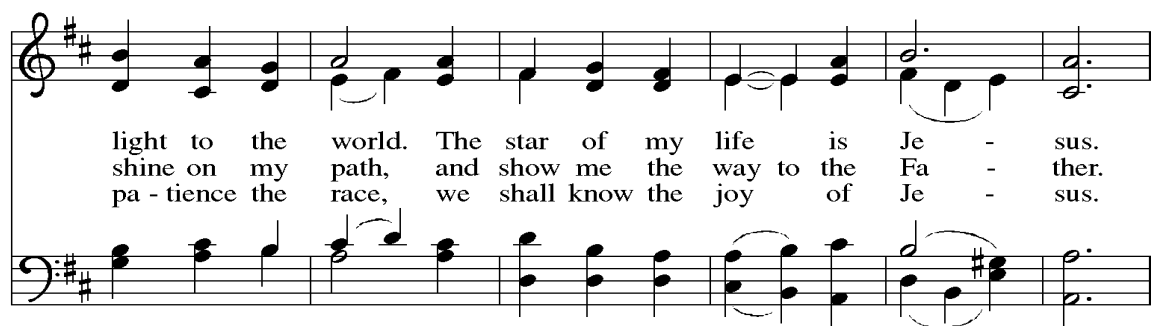
### SENDING HYMN

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

ELW 815

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to  
2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to  
3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to

fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give  
look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous - ness,  
be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with



light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.  
shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.  
pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

*Refrain*



In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the



day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the



cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

**DISMISSAL**

**A** Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE**

## *Welcome to worship at Trinity!*

*Thank you for joining us for worship. We hope that you found the Spirit of God in our midst. If you are interested in becoming a member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, or have other questions, please contact the church office at 785.233.0767.*



We offer a special thank you to Pastor Gary Teske for serving at worship today.

### UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, Nov. 19.....	Community Relations Committee meeting.....	9:30 AM
.....	Worship with Holy Communion.....	10:30 AM
.....	Blessing of the Quilts .....	
.....	Coffee Hour .....	after worship
.....	Altar Guild Meeting .....	during coffee hour
Tues., Nov. 21.....	Quilters .....	9:30 AM
Thurs., Nov. 23.....	Thanksgiving Day.....	
Sun., Nov. 26 .....	Christ the King Sunday .....	
.....	Children's Sunday School.....	9:45 AM
.....	Taco Bar .....	after worship
.....	Sanctuary Christmas Decorating.....	



Be sure to join us at 10:15 on the first Sunday of each month for your chance to sing some of your favorite hymns.

The next date is December 3.



Today we will bless the 24 quilts that our quilting group has made this year. They will be delivered to Doorstep so they can be gifted to the families they sponsor for Christmas.

Our quilt group includes Junior & Liz Utech, Linda Longren, Carol Marker, Jackie Berillon, and Diane Jernigan.



Worship Assistants								
Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Musician	Lector	Altar Guild	Asst. Minister	Presiding Minister	Coffee Hosts
Nov. 19		Diane Bottorff, Marcy Carlson	Mitchell Bean	Duane Pomeroy	Janice Greenlee & Team 2	Ted Murphy	Pr. Gary Teske	Donna Allen
Nov. 26	Curt Lewis, Ella Bosch	Bob Horton, Dean McGinnis	Mitchell Bean	Shelley Andrews	Janice Greenlee & Team 2	Marcy Carlson	Pr. Michael Haar	Dean McGinnis



Please plan to attend the Thanksgiving Eve service at First Lutheran beginning at 7 pm on November 23rd. Everyone is asked to bring a finger food to enjoy after worship in the Nave Lounge.

Pr. Jenny is asking for up to three to five volunteers from Trinity to help with reading scripture or prayers, acolyte, or helping with communion. Please let me know how you would like to serve and I'll forward your name to Pr. Jenny.



OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS						
Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly	Weekly Income Minus Average	Attendance/ Communion
Oct. 22	\$2,712.00	\$0.00	\$2,712.00	-\$1,653.85	\$1,058.15	53/41
Oct. 29	\$745.00	\$289.00	\$1,034.00	-\$1,653.85	-\$619.85	37/32
Nov. 5	\$2,657.99	\$0.00	\$2,657.99	-\$1,653.85	\$1,004.14	36/34
Nov. 12	\$1,279.00	\$279.00	\$1,558.00	-\$1,653.85	-\$95.85	26/25
				Expense		
		Oct. 2023	\$9,827.00	-\$12,261.28	-\$2,434.28	
		Jan. - Oct.	\$133,780.52	-\$128,555.76	\$5,224.76	

## **Doorstep Christmas Project ~ 2023**

Doorstep is adopting 260 households with 800+ individuals from the Christmas Bureau again this year. We have been collecting items for a few months now to help spread out the requests.

### **We still need the following NEW items:** (No later than 12/8/23)

- 🎄 Blankets - Queen & King Only (NO THROWS) 🎄 Tools Sets
- 🎄 King Size Sheet Sets 🎄 Cologne/Perfume Sets
- 🎄 Silverware Sets ~ Dish Sets ~ Kitchen Utensil Sets
- 🎄 Nerf Guns ~ Lego Sets ~ Learning Toys like Vtech
- 🎄 Family Board Games & Puzzles 🎄 Men's Body Care Sets (Axe)
- 🎄 Any type of KC Chiefs décor, hoodies, etc. 🎄 Sauce Pans & Skillets
- 🎄 Hoodies - Sizes Med-4X (Men/Wmn/Teen) A variety of colors, designs, plain
- 🎄 Money for Gift Cards & Food



### **Each household we adopt will receive:**

Blanket ~ Health Kit ~ School Supplies (if appropriate) ~  
One household item ~ Christmas food order ~ gifts and toys for  
household members ~ \$20 gift cards per person in the household.

### **Volunteer Opportunities:**

**Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>** ~ Opportunities from 8:30am – 12:30pm and 12:30pm – 5:30pm.  
(Lunch provided)

**Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>** ~ Opportunities available from: 8:30am – 1:30pm,  
1:30pm – 4:30pm and 4:30pm - 7:30pm. (Lunch & Dinner provided)

**Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup>** ~ Opportunities available from 8:30am – 12:30pm and  
12:30pm – 5:30pm. (Lunch provided)

### **Call Doorstep (785) 357-5341 to sign up & help during distribution week!**

Doorstep is located at 1119 SW 10th, 66604 (10th & Buchanan).

Donation hours are Monday - Friday, 9am - 2pm.

You can mail your monetary donations, or use our website:

DoorstepTopeka.org under the Donate Tab.

# Clothing Room Needs

(Gently Used, Not New)

## Clothing

- Men's jeans (all sizes)
- Kid's winter clothing (all sizes)
- Winter coats, hats & gloves (all sizes for men, women, & children)

## Bedding

- Blankets & Comforters (All Sizes)
- Sheet Sets (Twin, Queen, & King)
- Clean Bed Pillows

## Hygiene Items (Full-Size):

- Shampoo & Conditioner
- Bar Soap
- Razors
- Toothbrushes & Toothpaste
- Body Wash
- Deodorant
- Brushes & Combs

# Food Room Needs

The need for food for our neighbors has increased dramatically. This year, we have spent \$38,000 on food to keep our shelves stocked (we projected only \$8,000 being needed), and may very well spend \$50,000 or more by year end. We have already exceeded the total number of households assisted with food in 2022 by 448 households, 1,135 individuals and 13,770 pounds, and we have another 3 months until year-end! Currently, we are in need of the following items:

- |                                     |                                   |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| • Beans, Canned & Dried             | • Peas                            |
| • Peanut Butter                     | • Pasta, Boxed Pasta, Spaghetti,  |
| • Egg Noodles                       | Spaghetti O's, Macaroni & Cheese, |
| • Milk, Canned & Powdered           | Ravioli                           |
| • Oatmeal                           | • Canned Beans                    |
| • Soups, Chicken Noodle, Vegetable, | • Pork & Beans                    |
| Cream of Mushroom                   | • Canned Fruit                    |
| • Tuna                              | • Hand Can Openers                |
| • Boxed Potatoes                    | • Pancake Mix                     |

## Donations Accepted Monday – Friday , 9am – 2pm

Use the South Door

Please Do Not Leave donations outside our building when we are closed.  
It becomes a parking lot mess.



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### OFFICE HOURS

10:00AM-3:30PM, Monday through Thursday

**Together in Community**

**Living with Christ**

**Caring for Neighbors**

### Living with Christ's Love

As Lutherans, we believe that we are justified by faith alone through the grace of God (*Ephesians 2:1-9*). As our namesake Martin Luther made clear, we are both sinners and saints as we live our lives of faith. Together as Christians, we are called to allow God into our lives everyday and to do our best to live according to Christ's love. We do this through being a community of faithful that welcomes all people to join us in prayer, service, study, and worship as we journey together in learning how to live out the Great Commandment.

### CONGREGATION COUNCIL

**President** Duane Pomeroy

**Vice-President** Curt Lewis (Maintenance)

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Carol Marker (Spiritual Care)

Dean McGinnis (Congregational Life)

**Treasurer** Bob Kobbeman