



OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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+Thanksgiving Celebration

November 19, 2023

Prayer request and visitor cards can be found in the pew rack.

(*) Denotes when to stand, if you are able. **Boldface** readings are spoken together.

Prelude "Give Me Jesus" by Douglas Wagner Handbell Choir

Welcome and Announcements

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Call to Worship:

Pastor: Let heaven praise the Lord: praise Him heavenly heights,
People: praise Him, all His angels, praise Him, all His armies!
Pastor: Praise Him, sun and moon, praise Him, shining stars,
People: praise Him, highest heavens, and waters above the heavens!
Pastor: Let them all praise the name of the Lord at whose command they
were created,
**People: He has fixed them in their place for ever, by an unalterable
statute.**
Pastor: Let earth praise the Lord: sea-monsters and all the deeps, fire and hail,
snow and mist, gales that obey His decree, mountains and hills,
orchards and forests, wild animals and farm animals, snakes and birds,
all kings on earth and nations, princes, all rulers in the world, young
men and girls, old people, and children too!
**People: Let them all praise the name of the Lord, for His name and no
other is sublime, transcending earth and heaven in majesty,**
Pastor: raising the fortunes of His people, to the praises of the devout, of Israel,
the people dear to Him.

***Greeting**

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

***Thanksgiving Prayer of the Day**

We give you thanks, gracious God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day we gather with family and friends to give thanks for your abundant blessings. We thank you for the gift of life, for the beauty of creation, for the love of family and friends, and for the hope which is ours in Jesus Christ. We pray that you would bless this food to our use and us to your service, and keep us ever mindful of the needs of others. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

***Kyrie**

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In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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 mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us gracious Lord.

Amen.

Hymn of PraiseThis is the Feast*

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Refrain:

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

1. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his.

Refrain:

2. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever.
Amen.

Final Refrain:

This is the feast of victory for our God,
for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Reading

Christian fellowship involves sharing with those in need. Here Paul is gathering a collection for the church in Jerusalem from all the Gentile churches he helped found. We can be extravagant in our giving because God is extravagant in providing for our lives.

A reading from 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

"Psalm 150" by: Franck/Hoekstra

Temple Choir

*Sing praise to the Lord in His sanctuary;
Praise the Lord for His mighty acts, and all His wondrous works.
Praise the Lord according to His majesty.
Praise the Lord with the sound of the trumpet, praise the Lord with the psaltery
and harp.
Praise the Lord with the timbrel. Praise the Lord with song and dance.
Praise the Lord with the organ and string instruments.
Praise the Lord with resounding cymbals. Praise the Lord with loud clanging
cymbals.
Let everything that has breath, praise the Lord. Hallelujah!*

***Gospel Acclamation**

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Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

***Gospel**

Matthew 25:14-30

Jesus tells a parable about his second coming, indicating that it is not sufficient merely to maintain things as they are. Those who await his return should make good use of the gifts that God has provided them.

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. 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.' 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.' 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.' 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.' 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; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' 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? 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. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. 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. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

***Hymn of the Day**

"Now Thank We All Our God"

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***Apostles' Creed**

Along with the church, we confess our faith.

**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.**

***Prayers of Intercession**

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.

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.

Your mercy is great.

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

Your mercy is great.

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

Amen.

***Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Reception of Offering *"A Thanksgiving Offertory" by: Phil Lehenbauer*

Nadine Berg

***Offertory Response** *"Create In Me"*

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***Offering Prayer**

God of all creation, **all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Communion

All who believe that God is present in this meal are invited to share in the celebration of the Lord's Supper. Grape juice is available upon request. With their parents permission, all children are also invited to commune. Come forward with your hands cupped to receive. Children not communing are encouraged to come forward to receive a blessing. Communion will be brought to those unable to come to the chancel in the front pew and handicap row.

***Great Thanksgiving**

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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

***Preface**

***Holy, Holy, Holy**

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who come in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

***Words of Institution**

*** Lord's Prayer**

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***Lamb of God**

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Lamb of God. You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.

***Communion Hymns**

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"	#733
"Praise and Thanksgiving"	#689
"For the Fruit of All Creation"	#679

***Prayer after Communion**

O God, **we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

***Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

***Sending Hymn**

"Let all Things Now Living" #881

***Dismissal**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *"Rejoice, Give Thanks and Sing" arr. by: Douglas Wagner* Nadine Berg

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NEWS & NOTES

Today's Radio broadcast is sponsored by Carol Lee in memory of all her loved ones. *Thank you and God Bless you!*



Best Wishes to Pat Stone who is celebrating her birthday today! *Happy Birthday!*

Please join us right after service for our pie social!



We offer our deepest condolences to the Family Jeanne Speece. A Memorial Service will be held tomorrow, November 20th with a 10:00 am visitation and an 11:00 Memorial Service.

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Today,

9:00 Worship
10:00 Coffee & Fellowship
10:30 Radio Broadcast
1240 AM WMFG

Tuesday, 21st

1:00 Staff
VOICE DEADLINE

Wednesday, 22nd

8:30 Bible Study
1:00 Food shelf

Thursday, 23rd

CLOSED

Friday, 24th

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Voices of Reason Christmas Concert

"A Feast of Carols" Will be presented as the Voices of Reason Annual Christmas concert on December 3rd, at 3:00, Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Hibbing. The program is chock full of the wonderful and joyous music of Christmas. WE will close the program with the exciting "A feast of Carols" by Randol Bass, accompanied by a 23 piece orchestra. If you would like to jump start your Christmas Spirit, this is the performance you won't want to miss! Admission is free.

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