

Sunday, November 10, 2024

25th Sunday after Pentecost

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"Our mission is to make the love of Christ known to all as we worship, serve and grow together."

All are welcome in this church! The Good News of God's grace Is for all, regardless of age, abilities, physical & mental health, race, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, education, income or strength of faith. There is nothing we do, have done or will do that can separate us from the love of God. God makes no exceptions, nor do we. Come join us in praise,

prayer and the work of our Lord, including ongoing work for racial equity in our Church and in the world.

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Welcome, visitors! We're glad you are here! We hope your time with us is a blessing, and that you will come back soon.

We would like to be in touch with you! Visitors—please use the Live Stream 'Attendance Info Form (www.allarewelcome.org under the Live Stream tab) today. Members—you only need to fill them out once a year when you receive Holy 'Communion. In addition, use the form for prayer requests, hymn requests, to get the monthly newsletter, to give us address changes, or for any communication with the office or pastor.

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If you need **assistance with the live stream**, please call 608.782.3468 or join us on the phone live stream at 1.877.552.3468 (toll-free).

+FOR OUR WORSHIP TODAY+

Presiding Minister: Pastor Joanne Richmond
AV Team: Gary & Deb Wold
Communion Assistant: Sue Staples
Guitarist: Colin Stiemke
Prayer Reader: Sue Staples

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

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 Savior.

Amen.

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

Gracious God,

Amen.

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.

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.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG ELW #525

You Are Holy Du är helig Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då. than we ev - er un-der - stand. You are al - ways at hand. Väl - sig - nad va - re du kom - mer hit just nu, som Bless-ed are you com-ing near. Bless - ed are you com-ing here väl - sig - na-de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord. to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead. du är Du är he - lig, hel - het, You are ho ly, you are whole - ness, när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig! Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord! you are pres - ent. Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na, Sing ho - san - na in the high - est! ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.

Sing ho - san - na to our

God!

Sing ho - san - na!

Text: Per Harling, b. 1945
Music: DU ÄR HELIG, Per Harling
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^{*} May be sung in canon.

GREETING

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

And also with you.

KYRIE

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.

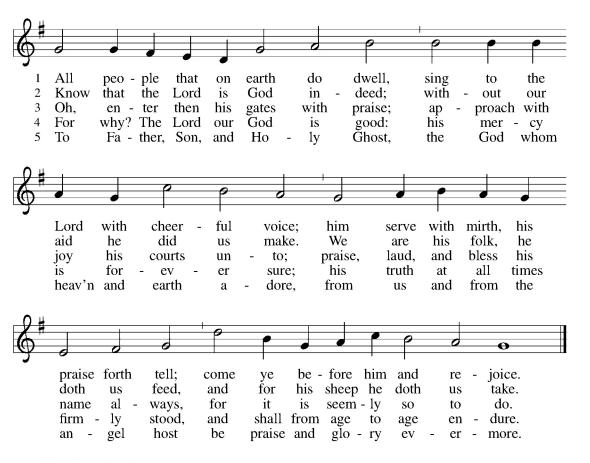
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Amen, amen.

All People That on Earth Do Dwell



Text: William Kethe, d. c. 1594

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510-1561

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God, you show forth your almighty power chiefly by reaching out to us in mercy.

Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in your message of justice and love, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

FIRST READING: Ecclesiastes 3: 1—11

Amen.

A reading from Ecclesiastes.

For everything there is a season and a time for every matter under heaven:

²a time to be born and a time to die;

a time to plant and a time to pluck up what is planted;

³ a time to kill and a time to heal;

a time to break down and a time to build up;

⁴ a time to weep and a time to laugh;

a time to mourn and a time to dance;

⁵ a time to throw away stones and a time to gather stones together;

a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing;

⁶ a time to seek and a time to lose;

a time to keep and a time to throw away;

7 a time to tear and a time to sew;
 a time to keep silent and a time to speak;
 8 a time to love and a time to hate;
 a time for war and a time for peace.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

YOUNG PERSON'S MESSAGE

SERMON

Pastor Joanne Richmond

Take My Life, That I May Be Toma, oh Dios, mi voluntad



4 Que mi tiempo todo esté consagrado a tu loor; que mi mente y su poder sean usados en tu honor. Estribillo

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, adapt.; Spanish text: Vincent Mendoza, 1875–1955 Music: Toma MI VOLUNTAD, William Dexheimer Pharris, b. 1956 Music © 1999 Augsburg Fortress.

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CREED

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

(Response to each petition is the refrain only from ELW #512, Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil)

Renew your church, God.

Make us servants to one another for the sake of the gospel.

Instill a heart for service and a passion for justice
in our bishops, deacons, pastors, and lay leaders.

Renew your creation, God.

Sustain the earth and seas and all that is in them.

Kindle in us a reverent awe for all creatures great and small, and strengthen us in our pursuit of climate justice.

Merciful God, hear us as we sing:

Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil where love can grow and peace is understood. When my heart is hard, break the stone away. When my heart is cold, warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way. Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

Renew the nations, God.

Heal our nation's veterans from the unseen wounds of war.

Tend to their trauma and soothe burdened consciences.

Guide leaders of the world to end conflicts and pursue peace.

Renew your people, God.

Protect those in our communities who are vulnerable or ill.

Accompany persons who are unemployed or underemployed, children who are in foster care, and those who live alone.

Watch over and uphold them.

Merciful God, hears us as we sing:

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Renew this congregation, God.

Give us clarity in our mission and boldness in our witness.

Bless our ministries, that all may live with dignity.

Happy are those whose help was in you.
We give thanks for all your faithful ones
who praised you as their God all their life long.
As we eagerly wait for you,
inspire us by their lives of service.

Merciful God, hear us as we sing:

Lord, let my heart be good soil,
open to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil
where love can grow and peace is understood.
When my heart is hard, break the stone away.
When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.
When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.
Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart,
Lord, let my heart be good soil.

We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

NOISY OFFERING

DIALOGUE

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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

COMMUNION

You may come forward for communion using the center aisle. After receiving bread from Pastor, please take an empty glass from the small table. If you prefer grape juice, take a full glass. Proceed to the person with the pouring chalice. After receiving your wine/blessing, place your empty glass in the basket you will see as you walk toward the side aisle.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks, generous God,
for in this bread and cup we have tasted
the new heaven and earth
where hunger and thirst are no more.
Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection,
that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

Amen.

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The God of all grace + bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG ELW #547

Sent Forth by God's Blessing



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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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YOU'RE INVITED TO TODAY'S BREAKFAST POTLUCK

Sunday, November 10, 2024 | 10:15am | Fellowship Hall

Join us for a Breakfast Potluck today immediately after worship in the Fellowship Hall! Whether you're bringing a favorite dish or just coming to enjoy the company, your presence is what makes our gatherings special. There's always plenty to go around, so bring yourself, a dish to share if you're able, and your appetite for great food and fellowship. Let's come together to enjoy a morning of delicious food and warm conversation. We can't wait to see you there!



Norwegian Bakery & Lefse Handmade Crafts & Vintage Items Christmases Past Section



DORCAS SOCIETY'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Saturday, November 16, 9am—1pm

The Dorcas Society's highly anticipated annual Christmas Bazaar is almost here, and we couldn't be more excited! Join us for a festive day featuring a wide variety of handmade crafts, vintage treasures, Christmas decorations, jewelry, and an irresistible selection of baked goods—including lefse, and other traditional Norwegian treats. It's the perfect chance to kick off your holiday shopping! **New this year:** Enjoy a delicious hot breakfast from 9:30—11:30am! Only \$10 for adults and \$5 for children (12 and under). *Don't miss out on the fun—we can't wait to see you there!*

COME HELP BAKE & SET UP FOR THE BAZAAR!

We need your help to bake and set up for our annual Christmas Bazaar! If you've ever wanted to learn how to make delicious Norwegian treats, now's your chance! We welcome all volunteers—women *and* men—to come lend a hand in preparing for this special event. Your help, big or small, is greatly appreciated!

Baking/Set Up Schedule:

- Sandbakkels—Monday, November 11, 4pm
- Scrolls—Wednesday, November 13, 4pm
- Set Up—Friday, November 15, 9am

Come join the fun and be part of something special!

BAKED GOOD DONATIONS FOR THE BAZAAR

The Dorcas Society is seeking donations of home baked goods for our upcoming Christmas Bazaar. We would greatly appreciate your contributions of Norwegian treats, cookies, bars, muffins, breads, candy, pies, and more. Your generosity helps make our event a success!

Drop-off dates: Wednesday, November 13—Friday, November 15, by 12pm.

Thank you for your support—it means the world to us!

SAVE THE DATE—WELCA THANKOFFERING CELEBRATION

Thursday, November 21, 1:30pm—Fellowship Hall

Did you know that the tradition of Thankoffering celebrations goes back over 100 years—and it's not just a Lutheran practice? Thankofferings are a meaningful way to express our gratitude for God's many blessings. It's a time for us to come together as a community, joyfully giving thanks for all that God has provided. Please remember to bring your Thankoffering boxes or offerings as we celebrate this special tradition to



CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

It's time to order poinsettias to adorn our church for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day worship services! You're invited to give a poinsettia in honor or memory of loved ones. To order, simply sign up on the bulletin board next to the church office.

Poinsettias are available in **red**, white, and **pink** with two options:

Pizzazz—\$19 or Brilliance—\$29.

Orders must be received by **Sunday, December 1, 2024.**For questions, please contact Jessica in the church office at <u>608.782.3468</u>
Or bu email at <u>oslcoffice@oursaviorslutheranchurch.net</u>.

OUR SAVIORS THIS WEEK

POST ON A FRIG, NEAR A PHONE, ON AN ALTAR AND ANY OTHER SACRED PLACE

CALENDAR

Sunday, November 10, 2024

9:30am Worship/HC
10:15am Breakfast Potluck
6:30pm Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.

Monday

9am—1pm Office Open10am—12 noon Gas Vouchers4pm Dorcas Baking

Tuesday

9am—1pm Office Open
9am Quilters
1—5pm WCC Open
4pm CFS Doors Open
4:15—5:15pm CFS Meal Served
5:15—5:30pm CFS Carry Outs

Wednesday

9am—1pmOffice Open9amStaff mtg.10:30amFinance mtg.12 noonWorship/HC4pmDorcas Baking

Thursday

9am—1pm Office Open

Friday

Church Office Closed Pastor/Staff Sabbath

9am—1pm Bazaar Set Up

<u>Saturday</u>

9am—1pm WCC Open

9am—1pm Christmas Bazaar

Sunday, November 17, 2024

Noisy Offering—Emergency Fund 9:30am Worship/HC

10:15am CF

6:30pm Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.

Calendar Notations:

HC—Holy Communion
CF—Coffee Fellowship
CFS—Come For Supper
WCC—Women's Clothes Closet

PRAYER CONCERNS

HEALING AND PEACE

Athena Burg, Bev Hanson, Carol Kant, Casey Kanter, Cindy Moe, Dan Odenbach, Danielle Sorenson, Dave Kjos, Erik Rudrud, Esther Harman, Eugene Herold, Gabe Centanni, George, Jane Speer, Jean Koll, Jeannie White, Jeff Kent, Jim Garson, Joyce Gosman, Karen Geoglein, Katie White, Kilian Crary, Lane C., Lois Horne, Kelly Olson, Mary Covey, Monica & Jack, Morris Buros, Peggy Kneifl, Pete Harman, Rich Pitz, Rose Sabotta, Roxanne North, Sandy Kjos, Sonja Simonson-Schrag, Theo Abnet, Tom Cade, and Vickie Hengel

GRIEVING FAMILY & FRIENDS OF

MEMBERS & FRIENDS IN ARMED FORCES

Gabriel W. Kleven, **Greg** Phillips, **Ricky** Macon, **Stacie** Phillips, and **Tom** Rudrud

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Cindy Hanson	November 10
Jonathan Kadera	November 10
Leslie Smaby	November 10
Melissa Smaby	November 10
Rod Tisthammer	November 10
Bud Herlitzke	November 11
Julie Novander	November 11
Dean Seidel	November 12
Barb Clark	November 12
Karen Geier	November 13
Bruce Losby	November 13
Barb Balch	November 14
Krista Potts	November 14
Marion Thiele	November 15