

23rd Sunday After Pentecost – November 16, 2025

Please maintain a reverent quiet as the Prelude is played.

Prelude By All Your Saints

Welcome & Announcements

Confession and Absolution Pg 94-95

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

L 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.

L Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God,

All: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

L In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God Forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Children's Sermon

Opening Hymn Almighty God Your Word is Cast **ELW 516**

Apostolic Greeting

L 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.

This is the Feast Pg. 169 SPOKEN

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Prayer of the Day

L The Lord be with you

L O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

First Reading: Malachi 4:1-2a

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch.^{2a} But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings. Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

C Thanks be to God!

Psalm 98 SPOKEN

¹ Sing a new song to the **Lord**, who has done marvelous things,
whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.

² **O Lord, you have made known your victory,
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

³ You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel;
all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

⁴ **Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands;
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.**

⁵ Sing to the **Lord** with the harp,
with the harp and the voice of song.

⁶ **With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before the king, the Lord.**

⁷ Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,
the world and those who dwell therein.

⁸ **Let the rivers clap their hands,
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, who comes to judge the earth.**

⁹ The **Lord** will judge the world with righteousness
and the peoples with equity.

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

⁶ Now we command you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from every brother or sister living irresponsibly and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷ For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not irresponsible when we were with you,⁸ and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day so that we might not burden any of you.⁹ This was not because we do not have that right but in order to give you an example to imitate.¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: anyone unwilling to work should not eat.¹¹ For we hear that some of you are living irresponsibly, mere busybodies, not doing any work.¹² Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.¹³ Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right. Holy wisdom, holy word.

C Thanks be to God

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation SPOKEN

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

Holy Gospel according to Luke 21st C Glory to you, O Lord.

⁵When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, ⁶“As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.” ⁷They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” ⁸And he said, “Beware that you are not led astray, for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them. ⁹“When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.” ¹⁰Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. ¹²“But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, ¹⁵for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your souls.” This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C Praise to you, O Christ**

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Come Ye Thankful People Come

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Apostles' 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 the People

L: Let us pray to be faithful in the face of any obstacles, dangers, or distress, and let us remain courageous and confident in our Lord's promises.

AM: For the whole Body of Christ, especially our Christian family in places of where violence threatens the churches, Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

AM: For all public servants in all lands, that they may use their authority to ensure that peace, mutual respect, justice for all, and opportunities for human thriving are granted to all people, Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

AM: For the land in which we reside, and for its original inhabitants, that a sustainable way of life might allow us to pass on its beauty and abundance to generations to come, Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

AM: For the world's children, all God's children, that each one is granted safety and security to grow and enjoy life, Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

AM: For prayers we offer now in silence or in speech.....Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

L: For all these, and all other needs we have not yet lifted, Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer. AMEN**

The Peace

L The Peace of the Lord be with you all.

C And also with you.

Please share a sign of peace with one another. The Offering is received, and the table is prepared.

Anthem: All Good Gifts Words: Matthias Claudius 1740-1815 Music: Michael Barret

We plough the fields and scatter the good seed on the land, but it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand; he sends the snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain, the breezes and the sunshine, and soft refreshing rain. All good gifts come from God above. All good gifts come from God, our Father. Then thank the Lord, then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love. He only is the maker of all things near and far, he paints the wayside flower, he lights the evening star; the winds and waves obey him; by him the birds are fed: much more, to us the children, he gives our daily bread. All good gifts come from God above. All good gifts come from God, our Father. Then thank the Lord, then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love. We thank thee, then, O Father, for all things bright and good; the seed time and the harvest, our life, our health, our food: accept the gift we offer for all thy love imparts and what the most desirest, our humble thankful hearts. All good gifts come from God above, all good gifts come from God, our Father. Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love, O thank the Lord for all his love.

Offertory Hymn SPOKEN

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

The Leader speaks the offertory Prayer

The Great Thanksgiving

L The Lord be with you. C And also with you.
L Lift up your hearts. C We lift them to the Lord.
L Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
L 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,...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus SPOKEN

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Great Thanksgiving

LORD'S PRAYER

**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**

The Agnus Dei pg. 174

**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.**

All are warmly welcomed by Christ to his table and feast.

Communion

Post Communion Prayer

Benediction

L 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 grant you peace. **C Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Down to the River to Pray

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Down to the River to Pray– Song by Alison Krauss

As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good old way
And who shall wear the robe and crown
Good Lord, show me the way!

O brothers let's go down
Let's go down, come on down
Come on brothers let's go down
Down in the river to pray

As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good old way
And who shall wear the starry crown
Good Lord, show me the way!

O mothers let's go down
Let's go down, come on down
Come on mothers let's go down
Down in the river to pray

As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good old way
And who shall wear the starry crown
Good Lord, show me the way!

O fathers let's go down
Let's go down, come on down
Come on fathers let's go down
Down in the river to pray

Dismissal

AM Go now in peace, to love and serve the Lord and your neighbors. C Amen.

Postlude

Praise to the Lord Almighty

Please maintain a reverent quiet as the Postlude is.

Thank you for coming. May God's peace be yours today.



Opportunities to give and assist!

At least 2 turkeys are needed at the Columbia Club for their community Thanksgiving meal . Turkeys can be dropped at the Knights of Columbus on the corner of Litchfield and Prospect Streets Thursday through Saturday next week after 12 pm. Also, for that event we are requesting pies from the members of St. Paul's. Pies will be delivered with all the delivery meals. Please drop off pies in the Narthex by Wednesday the 26th at 11 am. If you would like to deliver meals Thanksgiving morning, see Christine Dickinson.

And Finally, the Women of the ELCA will be making Thanksgiving baskets for members in need on the 24th. We do not need turkeys, however, if you would like to donate "sides" or goodies please leave the donations in the Narthex. You are invited to the meeting to help assemble the baskets as well.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

The following is a listing of those who need your prayers. Our hope is that you will take this listing home with you and in your daily prayers remember those listed below.

Kay Ackley
Ben, Sheryl & Nik Ahrens
Connie Aparo
Phil Bascetta
Charlie Blakeslee

Kathleen Bowler
Cherie Brown
Sharon Cable
Kathy Ann Campbell
Angelo & Nicole Capasso

Carol Cianciolo
Leif Dallaire
Emily Decker
Linda Dellano
Carla Derrickson

Winifried Diorio
Irene Douglas
J.J. Eby
Judy Elliott
Walt Esker

Jan Eucalitto
Jennifer Ezzo
Weston Faith
Bruce & Liz Falls
Tommy Fitzpatrick

Bob Frantz
Ashley Friday
John Fox
Joan Gerard

Jack & Barbara Heintz
Brayden Herzberg
Renate Higgins
Charles Hilton

Kathleen Hilton
Shannon Hilton
Jake Hoadley
Sven Holmgren
Erma Horn

Eunice Jones
Colin Keeley
Marilyn Killingbeck
Jason Lashbrook
Gail Lavoie
John Lewis
David Little

Rebecca Little
Amy & Dave Louen

Kari Machowski
Mary Ellen Mackinnon
Jerry MacManus
Irene Madore
Audrey Marquard

Abigail Marine
Richard Marine
Janis Martin
Gil & Marilyn Martin

Gladys Medina
Michael Meyers
Kate Merrow
Colin Moore
Brigitte Mueller

Bob Murphy
Barbara & Dennis Nalette
Karen Ness
Tom O'Brien
Lea Orriola & family

Karen Pagano
Russell Palmer
Maria Payne
Lisa & Dennis Polzun
Caroline Quintal

Ed & Susan Regner
Jonathan Richard
Louise Roche
Patricia & Richard Sawitzke
Holly Schaff

Rosemary & Otto Schibi
Denea Seelye

Matt Simpson
Lori Sola
Dana Steele

Sigrid Smitley
Paul Smith
Arlene Soja
John Sproat

Dana & George Steele
Jennifer Stella
Deb & Jon Sterling
Tom Sterling Sr.

RuthAnn Stone
Patricia Switzer
Gloria Thibault
Andy Thomas
Julia Thompson Carroll
Kyle Thurlough & family

Susan Tycienski
Carol Vrlik
Steve Warner
Sue Watkins
Renee Woodard

Bruce Yauney
Clayton Young
Clarence & Priscilla
Ed
Jen O.

Jaiden
Steve
Lou W.
Steve
Todd
Robert K.
Diane A.
Terry
Joe
Carol G.
Kristen & Jared

Vinny
Hagbard
Carolina
Robert P.
Peanut
Colleen
Ken
Kathy
Jaxson
Gail
F.C.H.
Chantel
Stephan
Jason R

Diane L.
Holly L.
Al & Mary

Our Nursing Home Members

Dee Gammon
Midge Rosenbeck
Judy Schaller
Ernest Marquard
Mae Fay
Francine Ahrens
Betty Hilton
Walter Joray

Our Military Friends

Lord Jesus, Savior of the World and King of Peace, watch over our sons and daughters in the service of their Country. Protect them from the physical and moral dangers. Keep them close to you and help them live the commandments. Lord, Jesus give them courage to serve their country with honor and dignity. Be with them when they are in danger; strengthen them when they face hardship. Above all Lord, grant that when their service is finished that they may return to us, sound in mind, body and soul. Amen.

Tyler Quinn
Eric Beyus
Major Zachary Fulton
Brandan Holbrook
Jonathan Connell
Tom Gregg, Jr.
Eric Bremer
Peter Hutchinson
SPC Dominic Boscarino
PVT Noah Braatz
PVT 2 Christian Braatz
Aiden Avenia USCG
2nd Lt. Ben Speaker
Pvt. Noah Roy

Family and Friends of Sherry Franceschetti

Around the Church

Event	Date	Time
Breakfast	11/19	8:30 am
Family Advent Project	11/23	After worship
Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service @ St. Paul's	11/25	7 pm
New Evangelism Team meeting	12/7	After church
Annual Congregational Meeting	12/18	6:30 pm

Bible Study Tuesday via Zoom

Tuesdays 6:00 pm

In person Bible Study Wednesdays

10:00 am

Tai Chi 11:00 am Wednesdays

Quilting Group 1:00 pm Wednesdays

Offerings Summary:

Needed Weekly	\$4,561
Received	\$3,391
Shortfall	(\$1,170)
YTD shortfall	(\$61,874)

Minimalist bulletin

All singing parts will be spoken today

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The Offering is received

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Communion is Distributed

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