

**23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**  
**ELW Holy Communion Setting One**  
**Sunday, November 8, 2020**  
**8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.**



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

(ELW pg. 94)

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

**Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

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

**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.**

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.

**Amen.**

(ELW 841)

# Lift Every Voice and Sing



1 Lift ev - 'ry voice and sing till earth and heav - en ring,  
2 Ston - y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas - t'ning rod,  
3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears,



ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er - ty.  
felt in the days when hope un - born had died;  
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;



Let our re - joic - ing rise high as the lis - t'ning skies,  
yet with a stead - y beat, have not our wea - ry feet  
thou who hast by thy might led us in - to the light,



let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.  
come to the place for which our par - ents sighed?  
keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.



Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been wa - tered;  
Lest our feet stray from the plac - es, our God, where we met thee;

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sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has brought us;  
we have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the slaugh - tered,  
lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for - get thee;



fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new day be - gun,  
out from the gloom - y past, till now we stand at last  
shad - owed be - neath thy hand, may we for - ev - er stand,



let us march on till vic - to - ry is won.  
where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.  
true to our God, true to our na - tive land.

Text: James W. Johnson, 1871–1938

Music: LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING, J. Rosamond Johnson, 1873–1954

**RETURN TO PREVIOUS PG.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

Almighty, eternal God, show mercy to your children who humbly pray, that we who have no confidence in our worth may not be judged but tenderly received. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### **FIRST READING: Amos 5:18-24**

<sup>18</sup>Woe to you who desire the day of the Lord! Why would you have the day of the Lord? It is darkness, and not light, <sup>19</sup>as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him, or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall, and a serpent bit him. <sup>20</sup>Is not the day of the Lord darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? <sup>21</sup>“I hate, I despise your feasts, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. <sup>22</sup>Even though you offer me

your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the peace offerings of your fattened animals, I will not look upon them. <sup>23</sup>Take away from me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen. <sup>24</sup>But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.”

P: The Word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God**

**PSALM: Psalm 70**

<sup>1</sup>Be pleased, O God, to deliver me;

O Lord, make haste to help me.

<sup>2</sup>**Let those who seek my life be ashamed and altogether dismayed;**

**let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and be disgraced.**

<sup>3</sup>Let those who say to me “Aha!” and gloat over me turn back,  
because they are ashamed.

<sup>4</sup>**Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you;**

**let those who love your salvation say forever, “Great is the Lord!”**

<sup>5</sup>But as for me, I am poor and needy;  
come to me speedily, O God.

<sup>6</sup>**You are my helper and my deliverer;**  
**O Lord, do not tarry.**

P: Here ends the reading of the Psalm.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**

<sup>13</sup>We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. <sup>14</sup>For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep.

<sup>15</sup>For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. <sup>16</sup>For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup>Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. <sup>18</sup>Therefore encourage one another with these words.

P: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 25<sup>th</sup> chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO: Matthew 25:1-13**

<sup>1</sup>{Jesus said to the disciples,} “Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. <sup>2</sup>Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. <sup>3</sup>For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, <sup>4</sup>but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. <sup>5</sup>As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. <sup>6</sup>But at midnight there was a cry, ‘Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ <sup>7</sup>Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. <sup>8</sup>And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ <sup>9</sup>But the wise answered, saying, ‘Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.’ <sup>10</sup>And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. <sup>11</sup>Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ <sup>12</sup>But he answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ <sup>13</sup>Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

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



(ELW 438)

## My Lord, What a Morning

*Refrain*



My Lord, what a morn-ing; my Lord, what a morn - ing; oh,



my Lord, what a morn-ing, when the stars be - gin to fall.



- 1 You will hear the trum - pet sound,
- 2 You will hear the sin - ner cry, to wake the na-tions un-der - ground,
- 3 You will hear the Chris-tian shout,



*Refrain*

look-ing to my God's right hand, when the stars be-gin to fall.

Text: African American spiritual

Music: BURLEIGH, African American spiritual

### **SERMON**

“Are You Ready for Our Lord’s Return?”

Matthew 25:1-13

Pastor Kurt E. Luebke

## **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 into Hell  
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.

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

### **PEACE**

### **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

### **THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

(ELW pg. 108)

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.

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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**

Come to the Banquet, for all is now ready.

## **THE PARTAKING OF HOLY COMMUNION**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**(ELW pg. 114)**

Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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.**

(ELW 756)

## Eternal Father, Strong to Save



1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the  
2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -  
3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who didst brood up - on the cha - os  
4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, all trav - 'lers guard in



rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its  
mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and  
dark and rude, and bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, and  
dan - ger's hour from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: oh, hear us when we  
calm a - mid the storm didst sleep: oh, hear us when we  
give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace: oh, hear us when we  
tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall



cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
rise to thee glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

Text: William Whiting, 1825–1878, alt.  
Music: MELITA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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Welcome to worship at St. Paul Lutheran Church! May you experience the love of our good Shepherd, Jesus, and share it with others throughout the week.

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The **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God in loving memory of **Dick Krauss**, who passed away 9 years ago on November 9, 2011 given by DeAnn Krauss and Tony Paradiso.



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**THE CHANCEL FLOWER ARRANGEMENT** is in loving memory of **Ted Gray**, who passed away 28 years ago on Sunday, November 8, 2020 given by Sandy & family.

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## Prayer Requests

Trudy Conley  
Devon & Megan Fischer  
Ralph Haslett  
Tracy Hutchinson  
Terry Langham  
Sheri Pero  
Kasi Raypole  
The Reed Family  
Joe & Karen Sawyer

daughter of Naomi Conley  
grandson of Naomi Conley  
brother of Janet (Dave) Zilch

daughter of Joe & Karen Sawyer  
wife of Billy Raypole

## Prayer Requests - continued

Toni Waugh  
Joyce Weiker  
Elam Wildermuth

daughter-in-law of Mary Waugh  
grandson of John & Sandy Pawsey

## DEPLOYED MILITARY PERSONNEL

Dylan Kimmet ~ son of Duane & Jeanie Kimmet  
Michael Styczynski ~ husband of Elishia (Rosen) Styczynski

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**WE EXTEND OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS** to the family and friends of:

**Mark Aldrich**, son of Herbert & Patsy Aldrich who passed away in Lima, Ohio on Thursday, October 29, 2020,

*And to the family & friends of:*

**Jacqueline “Jackie” (Overmyer) Cunningham**, who passed away at The Willows of Bellevue on Friday, October 30, 2020.

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## HOMEBOUND & IN MEDICAL CARE FACILITIES

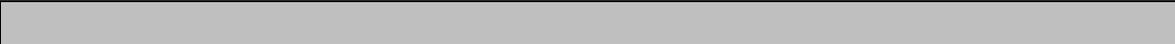
**PRAY FOR ALL OUR HOMEBOUND AND/OR IN MEDICAL CARE FACILITIES:** Bonnie Clark, Diane Dagg, Sue Dinan, Ruth Gerstenberger, Mildred House, Janet Kauble, LaVerde Kuns, Paul Long, Pat Newhouse, Florence Pocock, Katie Ritchey, Annabelle Tea, Margaret Watt and Walter Wickerham. *If you know of other members who are not listed, please inform the church office, 419-547-9225.*

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**November 8, 2020 – November 15, 2020**

<p><i>Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup></i></p>	<p>8:00 a.m. ~ Holy Communion            9:15 a.m. ~ Sunday School            10:30 a.m. ~ Holy Communion Service            7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. ~ MS CCYG</p>
<p><i>Monday the 9<sup>th</sup></i></p>	
<p><i>Tuesday the 10<sup>th</sup></i></p>	<p>6:00 p.m. ~ Property Board Meeting</p>
<p><i>Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup></i></p>	
<p><i>Thursday the 12<sup>th</sup></i></p>	<p>5:00 p.m. ~ Evangelism/Social Board Meeting            6:00 p.m. ~ Worship Board Meeting            7:00 p.m. ~ Al-Anon Meeting</p>
<p><i>Friday the 13<sup>th</sup></i></p>	
<p><i>Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup></i></p>	<p>8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. ~ Men’s Bible Study            5:00 p.m. ~Holy Communion Worship</p>
<p><i>Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup></i></p>	<p>8:00 a.m. ~ Holy Communion            9:15 a.m. ~ Sunday School            10:30 a.m. ~ Holy Communion            7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. ~ HS CCYG</p>

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**8:00 a.m. Service**

**10:30 a.m. Service**

**USHERS:**

Jim Shull  
Tim Billings  
Kevin Larkins  
Michelle Larkins  
Billy Raypole  
Sue Shull

Bob Kessler  
Paula Chambers  
Logan Nace  
Matt Nace  
Ada Williams

**COUNTERS:**

Jane Hilton  
Gege Smith

Sandy Kessler  
Tina Walker

**Song Leaders**

*Bill Hutchinson & Tom Thorbahn*

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**OUR STEWARDSHIP October 31 & November 1, 2020**

<b><u>Worship Service Attendance</u></b> .....	120
General Fund Offering .....	\$ 3,860.75

*Weekly amount needed to achieve budget is \$5,225.00*

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God uses money to confirm direction.

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart,  
and do not lean on your own understanding.  
In all your ways acknowledge him,  
and he will make straight your paths” (Prov. 3:5-6).