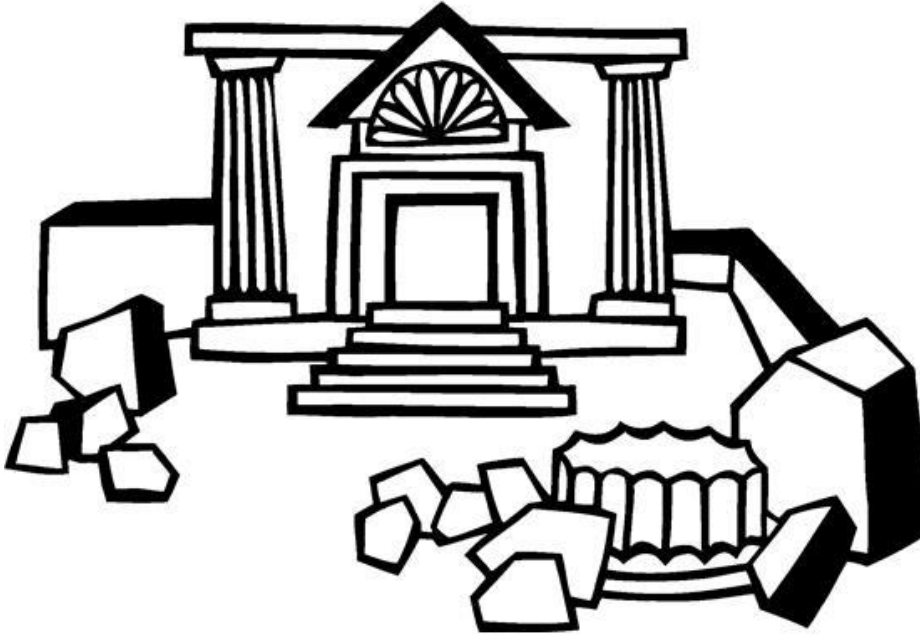


Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

November 17, 2024



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Bethany's Mission Statement: Reaching out in Worship, Fellowship, Learning and Love - we are God's people.

We are so glad you chose to worship with us this morning. We hope everyone feels welcome as we strive to serve and strengthen each other in faith toward God and in love toward all. Now, as you wait for the service to begin, please relax, enjoy the music, and quiet your heart before God.

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ELW indicates that hymns or liturgy are taken from Evangelical Lutheran Worship-red hymnal

PRELUDE

Welcome, Announcements, Celebration Bank

(money given to Human Concerns Fund)

We Gather to Acknowledge God's Presence

(Please stand)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, our refuge, our delight, our beginning and our end.

C: Amen

P: Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

P: Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,

C: We confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power. We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest.

Unbind us and set us free. Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus.

Amen.

P: These words are trustworthy and true: Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever. For his sake, you are ✚ forgiven and God remembers your sin no more. Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation.

C: Amen.

(Please stand)

OPENING HYMN

"Wait For The Lord"

ELW Hymn 262

GREETING

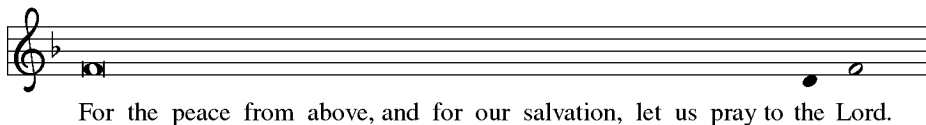
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

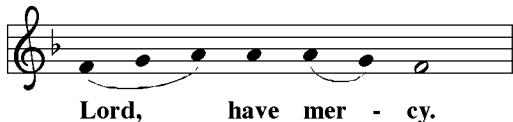
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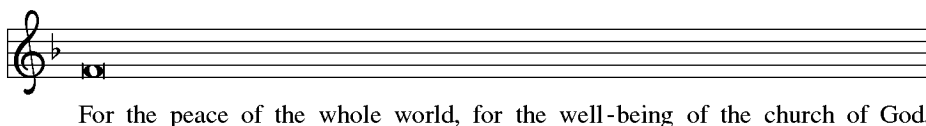
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



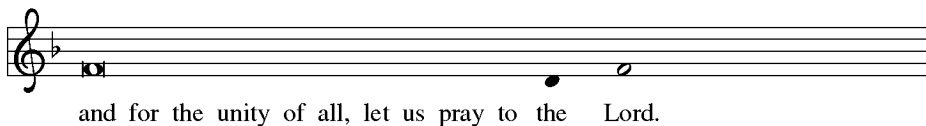
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



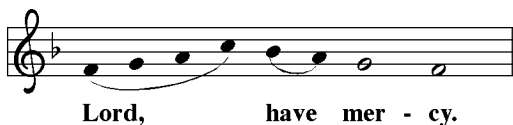
Lord, have mer - cy.



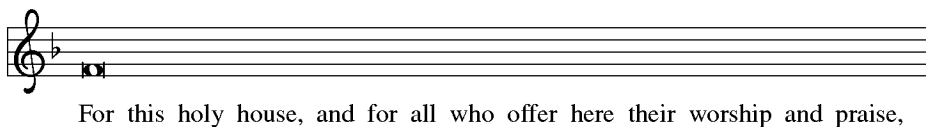
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



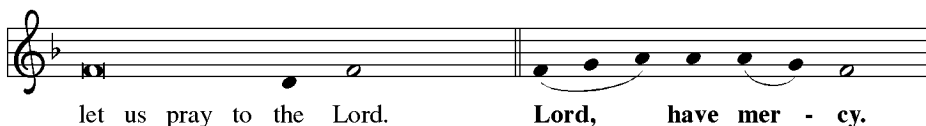
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



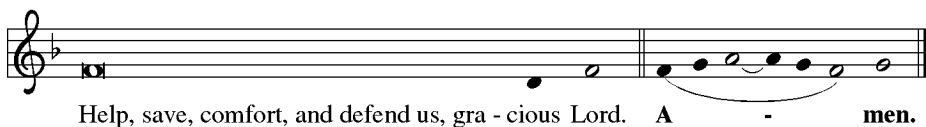
Lord, have mer - cy.



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,

glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

C: **Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

We Listen to God's Word

(Please be seated)

FIRST READING

Daniel 12:1-3

¹“At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ²Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

- L: Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;
I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."
- C: All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.**
- L: But those who run after other gods
shall have their troubles multiplied.
- C: I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,
never take their names upon my lips.**
- L: O LORD, you are my portion and my cup;
it is you who uphold my lot.
- C: My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;
indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**
- L: I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me night after night.
- C: I have set the LORD always before me;
because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**
- L: My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my body also shall rest in hope.
- C: For you will not abandon me to the grave,
nor let your holy one see the pit.**
- L: You will show me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures
forevermore.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 10: 11-14 [15-18] 19-25

¹¹ Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. ¹² But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," ¹³ and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." ¹⁴ For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

¹⁹ Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

- L: Word of God, word of life.
C: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P: The Gospel according to Mark the 13th chapter.

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

GOSPEL

Mark 13: 1-8

¹As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” ²Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

³When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴“Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” ⁵Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. ⁷When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.”

L: The gospel of the Lord.

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

(Please be seated)

SERMON

Pastor Misha McFarland-Pollock

(Please stand)

HYMN OF THE DAY

“When Peace Like a River”

ELW Hymn 785

We Respond to God’s Word

THE APOSTLES’ CREED *(unison)*

**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.**

(Please Stand)

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

(Please be seated)

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

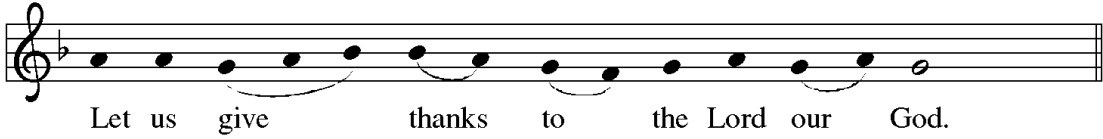
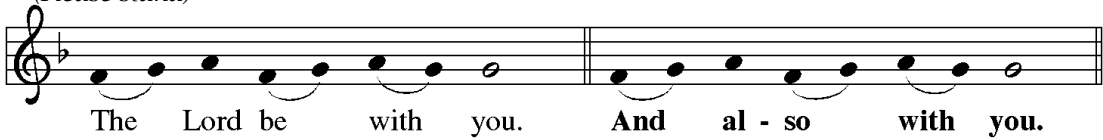
Each petition concludes:

P: Merciful God,

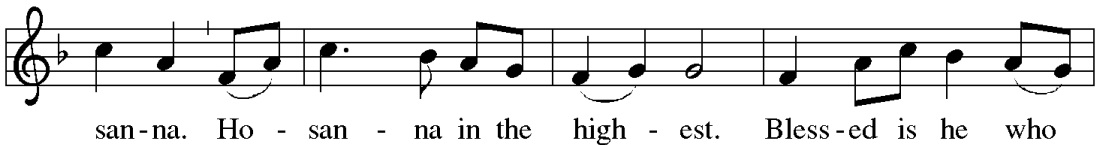
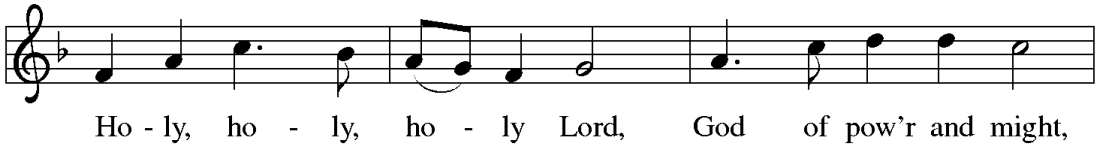
C: receive our prayer.

We Share in the Holy Meal

(Please stand)



P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...
...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(unison)*

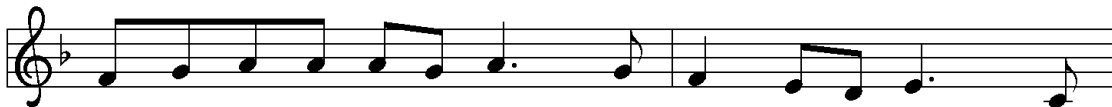
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Behold, God is making all things new. Take your place in the new creation.

(Please be seated)

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.

DISTRIBUTION BY INDIVIDUAL GLASSES

(Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.)

All who believe in the real presence of Christ in the sacrament are invited to commune. Children who do not commune are welcome to come for a blessing. You will be given a wafer. The glasses of dark liquid are wine; the middle ring is juice. There is a bowl of water if you would like to remember your baptism.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

*“Morning Has Broken”
“My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less”*

ELW Hymn 556
ELW Hymn 597

(Please stand)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Faithful God, you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink in the body and blood of your Son. Now send us out to labor with you, in service to the world you have made, and among the people you have made your home, in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

BLESSING

P: The Ancient One, enthroned,
the Crucified One, now risen,
the Indwelling One, poured out,
✠ bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

ELW Hymn 671

THE DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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A Cry Room for infants is available up the stairs and to the right.
There are Kids Celebrate children's bulletins available for youngsters
who'd like to have their own reference to the lessons for this week.
Ask our usher for help.

Please join us for coffee and donuts in the fellowship
hall following the worship service. We would like to
get to know you and offer our friendship.

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ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Today: **Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**
9:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion
10:55 a.m. Lutheran Church of Hope Service

Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Council mtg

Thursday: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study @ Messiah Lutheran Church

Next Sunday: **Christ The King**
Todd Chelf preaching Father Walker presiding
9:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion
10:55 a.m. Lutheran Church of Hope Service

HOLIDAY LIGHTED PARADE

We are participating in the Holiday Lighted Parade this year! We are needing donations of candy to throw out to kids during the parade. There will be a place in the fellowship hall to leave your candy, starting this Sunday! November 30th is the parade! If you are interested in walking in the parade, please see Bev, Dan, or Bill.

PASTOR MISHA OUT OF TOWN

Pastor Misha will be out of town at SBL conference for Continued Education from Friday, Nov. 22-26. Todd Chelf will be preaching on Sunday, Nov 24 with Father Walker presiding.

OUTREACH FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

For November, food donations will be "Holiday helpers"! Items you would use for a holiday meal (dry goods), example: boxed stuffing, pie filling, green beans, cookie mixes, etc... Thank you all for your generosity!

BICYCLE DRIVE

We have one more week left for our annual bike drive! If you have not donated yet and would like to, please place your donation in the red envelope with the bicycle on it and place in the offering plate. Last day to donate is Sunday, November 24. Thank you all for your generosity!

POINSETTIA ORDERS

It's that time of the year again! Poinsettia orders have started! Order forms will be provided in your bulletins until Sunday, December 1. Plants will be \$17.50 each. Order forms are also available in the November issue of the Chimes. Extra order forms will also be available in the office. Deadline to order is Sunday, December 1.

ANGEL TREE

We have started our Angel Tree! Please choose an angel (or angels), from the tree to fulfill the wish on the tag. Return your unwrapped gift in a sack, with the angel tag, and place under the tree. All angel tree tags and gifts must be under the tree by December 11.

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