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A WARM WELCOME TO ADVENT LUTHERAN CHURCH

23ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

NOVEMBER 16, 2025

INTRODUCTION

The end is near. There is no doubt about it. The warnings are dire. The tone of today's texts is ominous. But the baptized know how to live in the meantime. The baptized are strengthened for the living of these days in word and sacrament. The baptized rally around the invitation of the apostle: "Do not be weary in doing what is right."

PRELUDE

"GOD WHOSE ALMIGHTY WORD"

arr. Raney

Jean Pontious

You may remain seated or stand.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

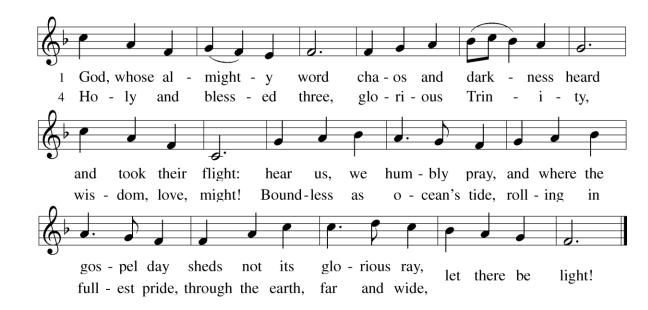
Silence is kept for reflection.

Faithful God,

- you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. Amen.
- P Hear the good news: God the Faithful One loves you, + in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.
- C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

"God Whose Almighty Word"

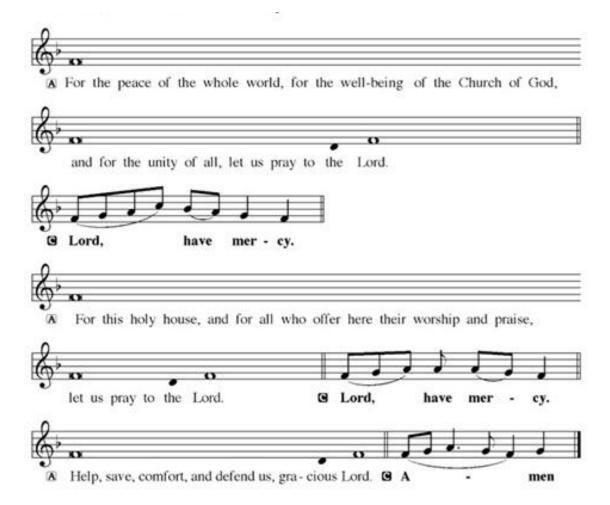


GREETING

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

KYRIE





HYMN OF PRAISE





PEACE

- P The peace of Christ is with you always.
- C And is also with you.

Please take a moment to share the peace

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray together the prayer of the day.
- 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.

Sit

WE HEAR THE WORD

The pericopes readings for this week are: Malachi 4:1-2a; Psalm 98; 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13; Luke 21:5-19

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. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

After the reading:

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ALLELUIA VERSE



- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 21st chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Luke 21: 5-19

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, "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."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And 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.

"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." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"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. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

After the reading:

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE PASTOR DAVID HINKELMAN

SPECIAL MUSIC

8:30 A.M. "CLAP YOUR HANDS, ALL YOU PEOPLE"

JEAN PONTIOUS & PASTOR DAVID HINKELMAN

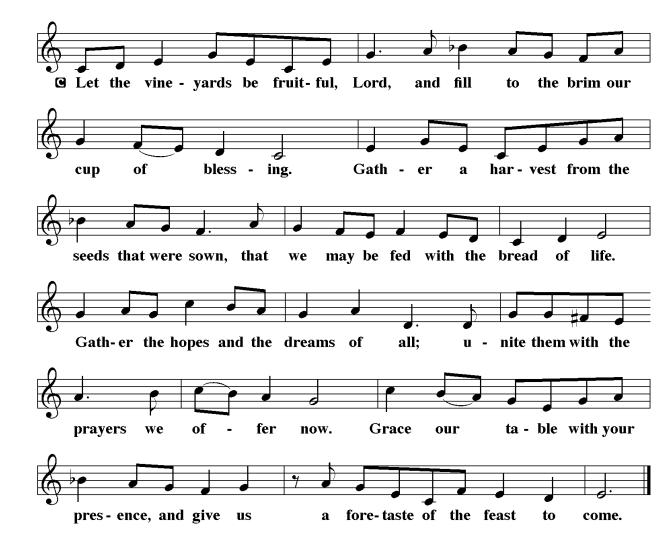
11:00 A.M. "CLAP YOUR HANDS, ALL YOU PEOPLE"

ADVENT ANGEL CHOIR

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OR put your donation in one of the pew envelopes and put in the offering plate.

"Here I Am" video plays



APOSTLES' CREED

- A Christians, what do we believe?
- C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

A Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence

- A God of roots and branches, defend the leaders of your church as they proclaim the gospel using discernment, wisdom, and brave testimony. Keep all the baptized on righteous paths in response to Christ's call. Grant wisdom to our Bishop Suzanne and national Bishop Rev. Yehiel Curry. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- A God of roaring seas, in a world of earthquake, famine, and plague, use your mighty power to nurture the land and all that lives upon it. Restore peoples and places experiencing natural disasters. Strengthen organizations who provide aid to any in crisis. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- A God of victory, among quests for power, guide those in government, courts, law enforcement agencies, and the military. Turn them from war and violence to actions of care that build up the common good. We lift up Sudan, Ukraine, Gaza, as well as Israel and Russia. Be with all who are living in the valley of death. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- A God of healing, where injustice and exploitation result in populations that are marginalized or underserved, accompany those abandoned by friends, hurt by family, and harmed by violence or oppression. Care for all who are ill, anxious, or in pain of any kind. We take a moment now to pray for those in need of

healing; family members, friends, co-workers, casual acquaintances and those we know by name, either out loud, or silently in our hearts (*pause*). Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A God of new songs, in a congregation of faithful believers, energize us for compassionate service and delight us through worship and inspired prayer. Encourage your people in building equitable community where all are valued. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

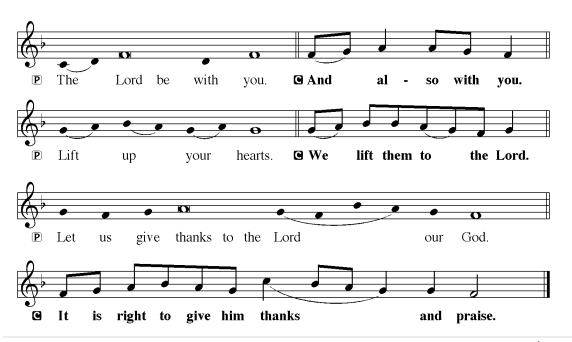
A God of every generation, we remember the saints with steadfast love and faithfulness. Confident in Christ's victory over death, may we be inspired by the example of the faithful. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

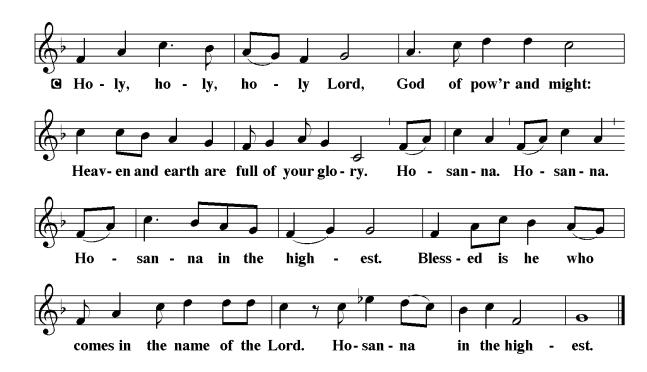
A We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.... And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P 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

- A Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
- 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.

DISTRIBUTION

This communion bread is free from: Gluten, Dairy, Nuts, Egg and Yeast.

Grape juice is available by request at the chancel rail.

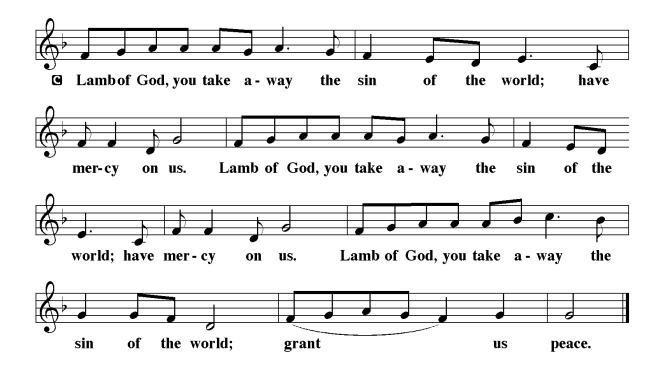
Please place your empty communion cup in the baskets

provided on the first row of chairs.

If you would like to receive communion at your seat, please let an usher know.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P There is a place for you at the table of God. Come, receive the food that does not perish, a taste of life eternal.



P And now may the body of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and His most holy and precious blood, strengthen you and preserve you and keep you to true faith unto life everlasting. May we depart in peace and may the Lord be with you.

C Amen

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

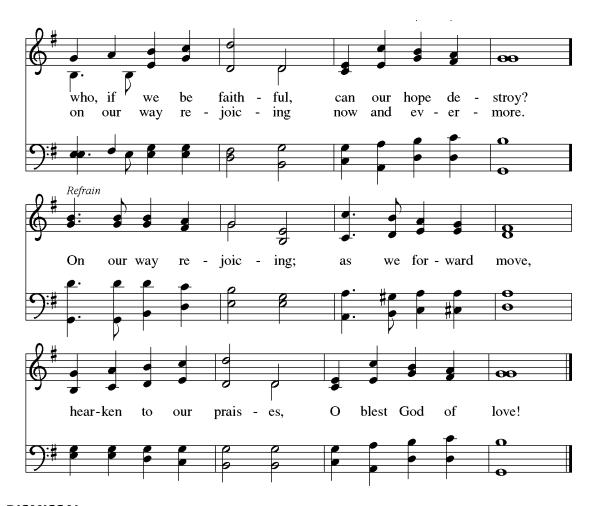
- A God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name.
- C Amen.

WE ARE SENT OUT TO SERVE

BENEDICTION

- P The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you, God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead. The holy Trinity bless you + and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever.
- C Amen.





DISMISSAL

- A Go in peace. Worship God, Follow Jesus, Serve Others, and Make Disciples.
- C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
ACOLYTE		Annie Welch
Assisting Minister	BETH PITTMAN	Julie Page
Pastor	Interim Pastor David Hinkelman	

The Altar Flowers are given in honor of Heather's dad, Tarry Nehls, from the Witten family; and in honor of Beth Pittman's birthday, from her family.

Please check the 2025 Altar Flower Chart located above the usher stand to order flowers in honor of someone special or celebrating special occasions. Price is \$25.00 per vase. Available dates coming up: November 30 and December 14 & 21. And be sure to sign up for the dates you want in 2026, as well!

This Week at Advent

Mon Nov 17	Men's SALT group	2:30pm
	Church Council meeting	6:00pm
Tue Nov 18	Isabel's Quilters	9:00am
	Building Use – Singing Buckeyes	6:00pm
Wed Nov 19	Women's Bible Study	1:00pm
	Worship at The Estates	2:00pm
	Wednesday Night Zoom Worship	7:00pm
Thur Nov 20	Praise & Worship Band rehearsal	6:45pm
	Adult Choir rehearsal	7:30pm

Looking Ahead:

Weds in Advent	Worship, in person and online	7:00 pm
Sun Dec 7, 2025	Live Nativity	5:00 pm
Fri Dec 12, 2025	Christmas with the Staff	6:30pm-8:00pm
Wed Dec 24, 2025	Christmas Eve Family Service	4:30 pm
	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service	7:00 pm
Thur Dec 25, 2025	Christmas Day Service	10:00 am
Jan 6, 2026	Epiphany Worship Service	7:00 pm
Fri Feb 13-Sat Feb 14, 2026	Fun in Faith Retreat, Grades 2-5	Hopewood Pines
Wed Feb 18, 2026	Ash Wednesday service	7:00 pm
Weds in Lent	Soup Suppers & Worship Service	6:30pm/7:15pm
Thur April 2, 2026	Maundy Thursday Worship Services	12Noon & 7:00pm
Fri April 3, 2026	Good Friday Worship Services	12Noon & 7:00pm
Sun April 5, 2026	Easter Sunday! Worship	8:30 am & 11:00 am
Sun May 3, 2026	Advent's 60 th Anniversary Celebration	!

Commemorations This Week:

Mon Nov 17: Elizabeth of Hungary, renewer of society, died 1231

Born in Hungary, Elizabeth was betrothed to the son of the Landgrave of Thuringia, and at age four was taken to be raised with him at the Wartburg Castle. Ten years later they were married. She was very generous to the poor, and after her husband's death she lived in cruel hardship until her own death at age twenty-four.