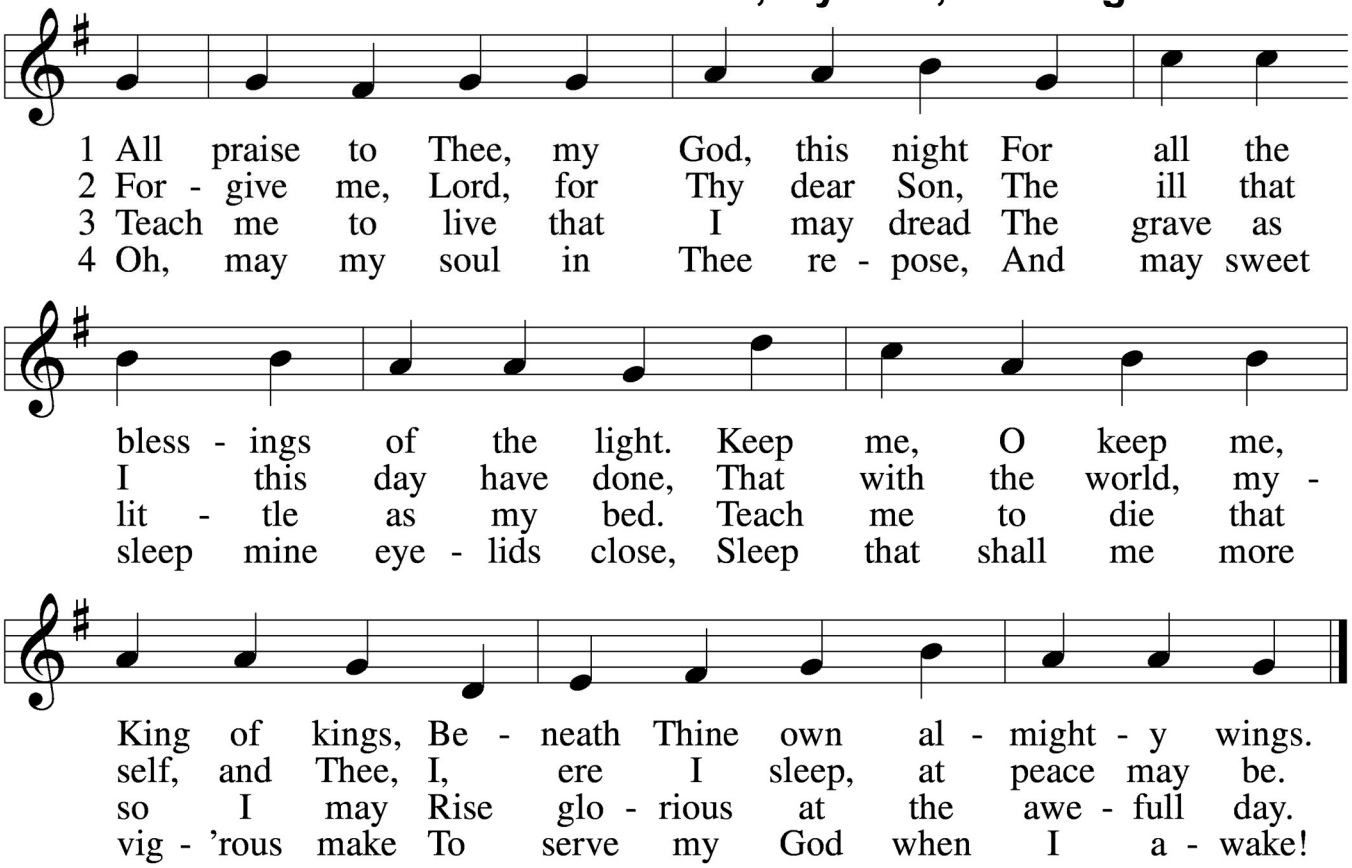Pastor's Bible Study

November 18, 2026 – The Last Sunday of the Church Year

LSB 883 – All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night



5 When in the night I sleepless lie,
My soul with heav'nly thoughts supply;
Let no ill dreams disturb my rest,
No pow'rs of darkness me molest.

Δ6 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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Read Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24:

1. Why does the Lord declare Himself Israel's shepherd?
2. What does the Lord promise to do as the shepherd?
3. Israel's conflict was between whom, other Israelites or foreigners?
4. How does the Lord reveal His plan to be His people's shepherd?

Read Matthew 25:31-46:

1. Who is the Son Man?
2. When does the separation occur between the sheep and the goats?
3. What do verses 35-40 tell us about the people around us? What do they tell us about God?
4. What does verse 41 tell us about Hell?
5. What does this text tell us about good works?

Read 1 Corinthians 15:20-28:

1. What does it mean that Christ is the second Adam?
2. How does it sit with you that death is the last enemy to be defeated?
3. Why is Christ's resurrection so important?

Devotional Thought:
On the Last Day, Jesus will separate true believers from hypocrites and those who reject Him. The faithful will be vindicated and welcomed into heaven, while unbelievers will be condemned. Having received forgiveness through faith in Christ, God's flock eagerly await the day on which they shall be publicly vindicated and receive eternal life *(TLSB, pg. 1640)*.

Prayer:
Grant us a faith that perseveres until the end, O Lord. Move us by Your Spirit, that our good works continually glorify You and benefit our neighbor. Amen.