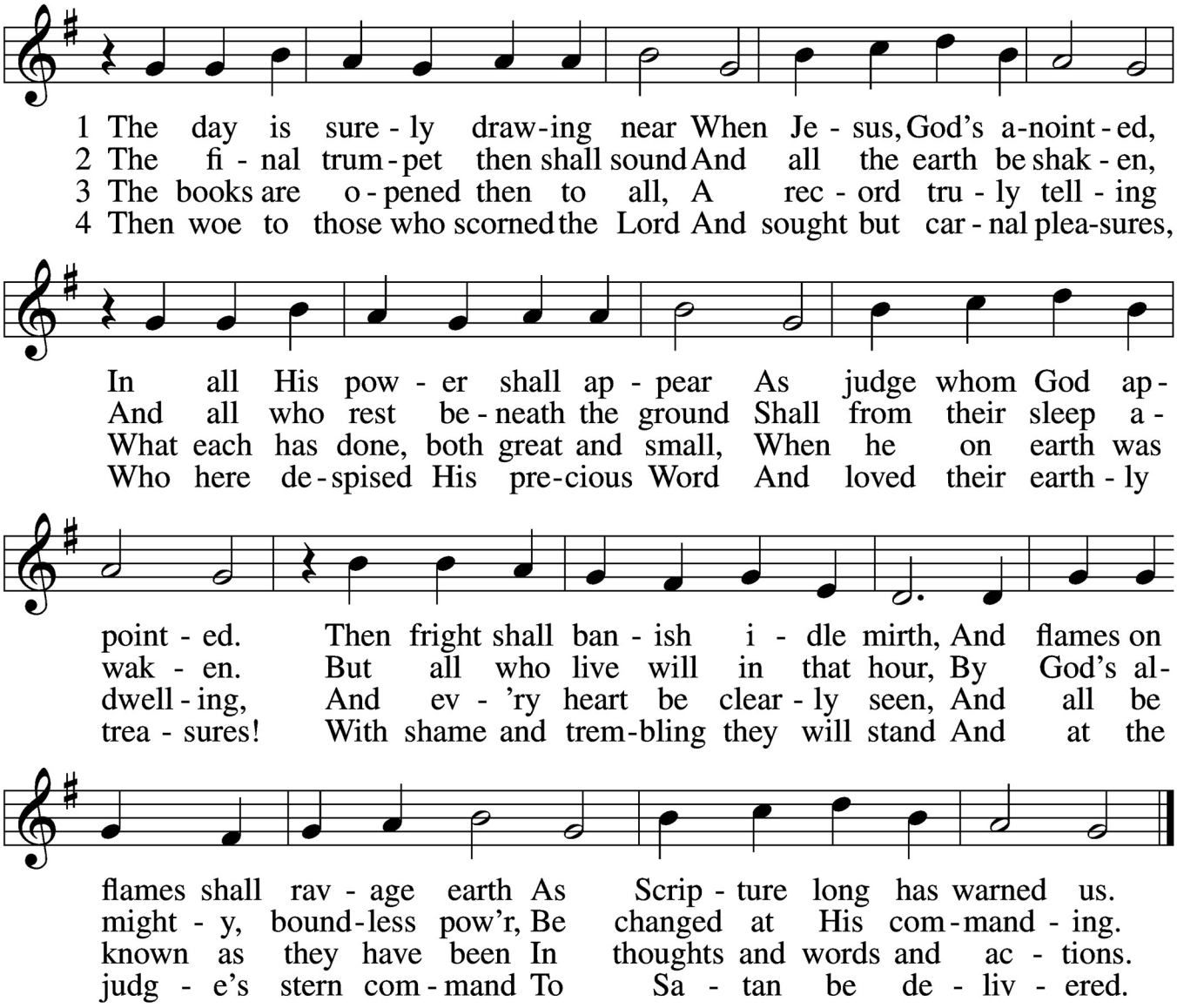
Pastor's Bible Study

November 4, 2026 – Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

LSB 508 – The Day Is Surely Drawing Near



5 My Savior paid the debt I owe
And for my sin was smitten;
Within the Book of Life I know
My name has now been written.
I will not doubt, for I am free,
And Satan cannot threaten me;
There is no condemnation!

Read Amos 5:18-24:

1. How can we understand this phrase, “the day of the Lord”?
2. What do the images of verse nineteen reveal to you about this “day of the Lord”?
3. Why was the Lord upset with Israel’s worship?
4. What did the Lord want from Israel? What does He want from us?

Read Matthew 25:1-13:

1. What separates the foolish virgins from the wise virgins?
2. Who are wise ones according to the Bible?
3. Why does Jesus share this parable? (see v. 13)
4. How might Matthew 24:36-51 help with understanding the parable in Matthew 25:1-13?

Read 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18:

1. Why was Paul writing to the Thessalonians, according to this section?
2. What brings you comfort in these words from Paul?
3. How are we to live as the “day of the Lord” approaches? (see vv. 4-11)

Devotional Thought:
Paul comforts the Thessalonians, saying that the dead in Christ will be the first to taste the resurrection and come with the risen Christ. At the second coming, we will all be together once more. Christians grieve over the death of loved ones but not as those who have no hope. The resurrection of our Lord, and the victory we have over death through Him, gives us a living hope, despite the fact that death separates loved ones and causes great pain *(TLSB, pg. 2056)*.

Prayer:

6 May Christ our intercessor be
And through His blood and merit
Read from His book that we are free
With all who life inherit.
Then we shall see Him face to face,
With all His saints in that blest place
Which He has purchased for us.

7 O Jesus Christ, do not delay,
But hasten our salvation;
We often tremble on our way
In fear and tribulation.
O hear and grant our fervent plea:
Come, mighty judge, and set us free
From death and ev’ry evil.

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