

# Sunday, November 16, 2025 10:00 a.m.



"The Story the Widow Tells"

Pastor Erik Allen



## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

**Prelude** "Voluntary" Henry Heron

Announcements

Gathering Song Ancient Words

#### Call to Worship

- P: The voice of God is calling us to come with all that we are and all that we carry to worship.
- C: Come! Let us worship!
- P: God calls us to gather, to receive grace in our gathering, and to reorient us again to the ways of God.
- C: Come! Let us worship!
- P: So, come, members of the family of God! Bring all that you are to be molded by grace, refocused toward love, and woven together as community in Christ.
- C: Come! Let us worship! Thanks be to God. Amen.
- P: The peace of the Lord be with you always!
- C: And also with you.

(pass the peace as you feel comfortable)

Song 10,000 Reasons

#### Call to Confession

- P: In the name of God the Father of glory; In the name of God the ♥Son, our Redeemer; In the name of God the holy and life-giving Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

- P: Gracious God,
- C: We acknowledge that we are sinners and we confess our sins—those known to us that burden our hearts, and those unknown to us but seen by you. We know that before you nothing remains hidden, and in you everything is revealed. Free us from the slavery of sin; liberate us from the bondage of guilt; and work in us that which is pleasing in your sight; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- P: With a heart full of mercy and compassion, God saves us and forgives us all our sins. Christ, The dawn from on high, shines upon us and by the light of the Holy Spirit guides our feet into the way of peace.
- C: Amen.

## Prayer of the Day

P: 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

C: Amen.

please be seated

**Lesson** 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Gospel Luke 21:5-19

Children's Message Pastor Erik

**Sermon** "The Story the Widow Tells" Pastor Erik

**Hymn** When Peace Like a River ELW 785

# The Apostles' Creed

please be seated

## The Offering

Offering Response "We Are an Offering

## Offertory Prayer

- P: God of healing and hope, you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things. Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts. Nourish us with the abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

**Prayers of the Church** (the congregation joins in speaking the first names of those for whom we pray.)

Members: Robin, Marion, Kelly, Jeff, Lee, John & Marj, Vickie

Family & Friends: Sylvia, Bill, Ken, Dana, Marie, Mary, Carol, Susan, Bob

#### Communion

#### **Words of Institution**

### The Lord's Prayer

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours, now and forever. Amen!

please be seated

#### Distribution

All baptized Christians who seek the blessings of Christ's true body and blood in the bread and wine of Holy Communion are welcome. Those who do not wish to receive may come forward for a blessing. Please let your server know if you desire a gluten-free wafer.

#### Benediction

- P: May God who loves us, who gives us eternal consolation and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word; And the blessing of almighty God, Father, ♣ Son, and Holy Spirit, Be among you and remain with you forever.
- C: Amen!

Song

Morning Into Dancing

## Sending

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you!

C: Thanks be to God!

**Postlude** "Gavotte" Matthew Camidge

Make sure to stop by the Giving Tree in the Gathering Place if you are able to help a family in need this coming Christmas Season.

Gifts will be given to Lutheran Child and Family Services for their Christmas Store.