



St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

November 16, 2025 – Twenty-third Sunday after the Festival of Pentecost



Welcome! In our worship service we gather before our almighty God to offer him our worship and praise. We also gather to strengthen ourselves through the study of God's holy and powerful Word, and through the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Restrooms and a drinking fountain are located on the right in the hallway outside the sanctuary. **Personal hearing devices** are available on request to an usher. Our worship is for all, including young children! We-and God-love the sound of children in worship, but if you need to step out for a calming and quieting moment, we have a **Family Room** located through the door in the back of the Fellowship Hall. The facility includes a TV, a window, and speakers so that you can still follow along with the worship service. **Children's busy bags** are also available near the central sanctuary doors.

Prayer before worship: God of glory, eternal King, help us, we pray, to recognize the signs of the end times around us and to live each day with the realization that it could be the Last Day. Move us to hate what is evil and cling to what is good. Keep us zealous in your service, joyful in hope, patient in affliction, and faithful in prayer, so that when the Day comes, we will be among those looking up to see our Savior coming in the clouds. In his name we pray. Amen.

Personal Preparation for Holy Communion

Q: What does God tell me about myself in his holy Word?

A: He says I am a sinner and deserve only his punishment.

Q: What should I do if I am not aware of my sins or am not troubled by them?

A: I should examine myself according to the Ten Commandments and ask how well I have carried out my responsibilities as a husband or wife or single person, as a parent or child, an employer or employee, a teacher or student. Have I loved God with all my heart, gladly heard his Word, and patiently endured affliction? Have I been disobedient, proud, or unforgiving? Have I been selfish, lazy, envious, or quarrelsome? Have I lied or deceived, taken something not mine, or given anyone a bad name? Have I abused my body or permitted indecent thoughts to linger in my mind? Have I failed to do what is right and good?

Q: When I realize that I have sinned against God and deserve his punishment, what should I do?

A: I will confess before God all my sins, those which I remember as well as those of which I am unaware. I will pray to God for his mercy and forgiveness.

Q: How do I receive his gracious forgiveness?

A: His Word assures me that Jesus led a pure and holy life for me and died on the cross for me to pay the full price for all my sins. Through faith in Jesus, I have been clothed in my Savior's perfect righteousness and holiness.

Q: What further assurance do I have that Jesus is mine and I am his?

A: In Holy Communion he gives me his body and blood together with the bread and wine as a truly life-giving food and drink to unite me with him and my fellow believers. By means of this sacrament, Jesus not only forgives my sins but sweeps away all my doubts about his love for me, gives me his own strength to live a God-pleasing life, and grants me a joyful foretaste of heaven.

Q: How can I be sure that I receive all these blessings in the Lord's Supper?

A: I have his own word spoken as his last will and testament on the night before he died. There he tells me: ***"Take and eat; this is my body. Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me."***

Q: How will I respond to this priceless gift from Jesus?

A: I will daily thank and praise him for his love to me. With his help I will fight temptation, do my best to correct whatever wrongs I have done, and serve him and those around me with love and good works.

Lord Jesus, with joy and gratitude I now come to your table to receive the precious food of your life-giving body and blood. May it strengthen me to remain in you as you remain in me, so that I bear much fruit in devoted service to you and in acts of kindness to others. Amen.

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

CW 493

We are filled with joy and peace because the day of judgment is the day that sets God's people free!



- 1 Re - joice, re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear;
- 2 The watch - ers on the moun - tain pro - claim the Bride - groom near;
- 3 You saints, who here in pa - tience your cross and suf - f'ring bore,
- 4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



the eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.
go forth, as he ap - proach - es, with al - le - lu - ias clear.
shall live and reign for - ev - er when sor - row is no more.
a - rise, O Sun so longed for, a - bove this shad - owed sphere.



The Bride - groom is a - ris - ing and soon is draw - ing nigh.
The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; the gates wide o - pen stand.
A - round the throne of glo - ry the Lamb you shall be - hold,
With hearts and hands up - lift - ed we plead, O Lord, to see



Up, pray and watch and wres - tle; at mid - night comes the cry.
A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; the Bride - groom is at hand.
in tri - umph lay be - fore him your shin - ing crowns of gold.
the day of earth's re - demp - tion that sets your peo - ple free.

Text: Laurentius Laurenti, 1660–1722, abr.; tr. Sarah B. Findlater, 1823–1907, alt.

Tune: Swedish

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Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

Confession

P: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

P: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: 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.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

Glory to God in the Highest

The musical score is written on ten staves. The first staff is an instrumental introduction. The second staff begins the vocal melody with the lyrics 'Glo-ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo - ple on earth.' The third staff continues with 'Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might - y God and Fa-ther. We'. The fourth staff continues with 'wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your'. The fifth staff continues with 'glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his'. The sixth staff continues with 'peo - ple on earth. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly'. The seventh staff continues with 'Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you'. The eighth staff continues with 'take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on'. The ninth staff continues with 'us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the'. The tenth staff concludes with 'Fa-ther: re - ceive our prayer, re - ceive our prayer.' The score includes various musical notations such as treble clefs, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a variety of note values including quarter, eighth, and half notes, as well as rests and bar lines.

Glo-ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might - y God and Fa-ther. We

wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your

glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his

peo - ple on earth. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly

Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on

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Fa-ther: re - ceive our prayer, re - ceive our prayer.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo - ple on
earth. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the
Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,
with the Ho - ly Spir-it in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther.
Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo-ple on earth.
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God.

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The Word

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray: Lord God Almighty, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that we may always look forward to the end of this present evil age and the day of your righteous judgment. Keep us steadfast in true and living faith, and present us at last holy and blameless before you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

First Reading

Malachi 4:1-6

Judgment Day will lay low the proud and evil, but will uplift those whose trust is in the LORD.

¹Look! The day is coming, burning like a blast furnace. All the arrogant and every evildoer will be stubble. The day that is coming will set them on fire, says the LORD of Armies, a day that will not leave behind a root or branch for them. ²But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will rise, and there will be healing in its wings. You will go out and jump around like calves from the stall. ³You will trample the wicked. They will surely be ashes under the soles of your feet on the day when I take action, says the LORD of Armies.

⁴Remember the law of my servant Moses, which I commanded to him at Horeb to serve as statutes and judgments over all Israel.

⁵Look! I am going to send Elijah the prophet to you before the great and fearful day of the LORD comes! ⁶He will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers. Otherwise, I will come and strike the land with complete destruction.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

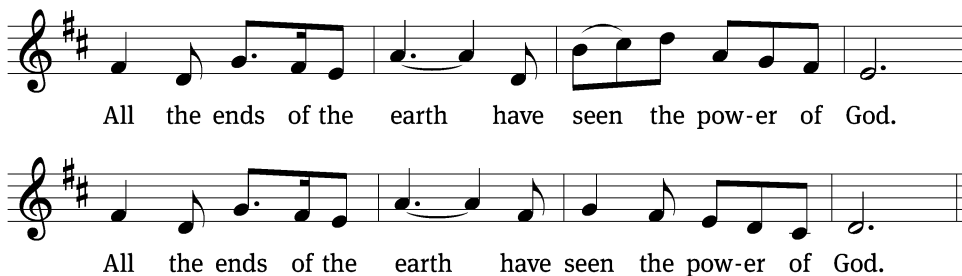


All the Ends of the Earth

Psalm 98A

The choir will sing the verses of the psalm. The **congregation** is invited to sing the **refrains**.

Refrain



Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marv'lous things;
his right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.
The LORD has made his salvation known, and revealed his righteousness to the nations.

Refrain

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music.
Let the rivers clap their hands, let the mountains sing together for joy;
let them sing before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth.
He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

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Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 1:5–10

To empower perseverance in the face of persecution, Paul pointed ahead to the coming Judgment Day.

⁵This is evidence of God's righteous verdict that resulted in your being counted worthy of God's kingdom, for which you also suffer. ⁶Certainly, it is right for God to repay trouble to those who trouble you, ⁷and to give relief to you, who are troubled along with us. When the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his powerful angels, ⁸he will exercise vengeance in flaming fire on those who do not know God and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. ⁹Such people will receive a just penalty: eternal destruction away from the presence of the Lord and from his glorious strength, ¹⁰on that day when he comes to be glorified among his saints, and to be marveled at among all those who have believed, because our testimony to you was believed.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Choir Anthem

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ the true and only Light,
Sun of righteousness, arise, triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart appear.

Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true and only Light,
Sun of righteousness, arise, triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near, Daystar in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by Thee;
joyless is the day's return, till Thy mercy's beams I see,
till they inward light impart, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

Visit now this soul of mine, pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
fill me, radiancy divine, scatter all my unbelief;
more and more Thyself display, shining to the perfect day.

Gospel Acclamation

Revelation 2:10

P: Alleluia! Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you life as your victor's crown. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 21:5–19

We do not seek revenge, but stand firm and persevere, confident that God's judgment is just.

⁵As some were talking about the temple, how it was decorated with beautiful stones and offerings, Jesus said, ⁶“These things that you see here—the days will come when there will not be one stone left on another—every one will be thrown down.”

⁷They asked him, “Teacher, when will these things happen? And what is the sign that these things are about to happen?”

⁸He said, “Watch out so that you are not deceived! For many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he,’ and ‘The time is near.’ Do not follow them. ⁹Whenever you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be terrified, for these things must happen first, but the end will not be right then.”

¹⁰Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. ¹¹There will be great earthquakes, famines, and plagues in various places. There will be horrifying sights and great signs from heaven. ¹²But before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and will persecute you, handing you over to synagogues and prisons, bringing you before kings and governors for my name's sake. ¹³It will turn out to be your opportunity to testify. ¹⁴So make up your minds not to prepare beforehand how to defend yourselves, ¹⁵for I will give you words and wisdom that none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be betrayed even by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends. They will put some of you to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all people for my name's sake. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By patient endurance you will gain your lives.

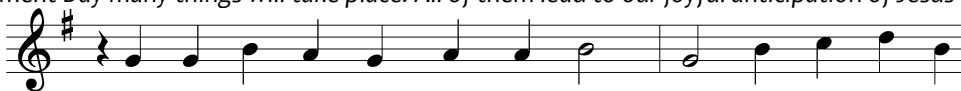
P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

The Day Is Surely Drawing Near

CW 488

On Judgment Day many things will take place. All of them lead to our joyful anticipation of Jesus' return.



1 The day is sure - ly draw - ing near when Je - sus, God's a -
 2 A trum - pet loud shall then re - sound and all the earth be
 3 A book is o - pened then to all, a rec - ord tru - ly
 4 Then woe to those who scorned the Lord and sought but car - nal



noint - ed, shall with great maj - es - ty ap - pear as judge of
 shak - en. Then all who in their graves are found shall from their
 tell - ing what each has done, both great and small, when they on
 plea - sures, who here de - spised his pre - cious Word and loved their



all ap - point - ed. All mirth and laugh - ter then shall cease when
 sleep a - wak - en and with the liv - ing in that hour, by
 earth were dwell - ing, and ev - 'ry heart be clear - ly seen, and
 earth - ly trea - sures! With shame and trem - bling they will stand and



flames on flames will still in - crease, as Scrip - ture tru - ly teach - es.
 God's al - might - y, bound - less pow'r, be changed at his com - mand - ing.
 all be known as they have been in thoughts and words and ac - tions.
 at the judg - e's stern com - mand to Sa - tan be de - liv - ered.

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!

6 O Jesus Christ, do not delay,
 but hasten our salvation;
 we often tremble on our way
 in fear and tribulation.
 Your saints are waiting patiently;
 come soon, Redeemer, make us free
 from ev'ry evil. Amen.

It's Just Not Fair!

Questions to consider during the sermon:

- 1) What had happened in just a few short weeks?
- 2) A/D – Paul wanted the Thessalonians' persecution to continue.
- 3) How does our suffering now serve as evidence of how God will judge then?
- 4) Explain how God's justice differs from the concept of karma.
- 5) What does Paul mean by saying “who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus”?
- 6) How does God prepare us—like the Thessalonians—to be ready for that Day?

Nicene Creed

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Offering

To our guests: Our offering is not a debt we owe God but a way that we return to God a portion of what he generously gave to us. Our motivation, then, is not obligation but love for God. Please do not feel obligated to contribute. We're happy that you're with us to hear about God's love for you.

NOTE: At this time we are not passing the offering plates. You can place your offering in the plate in the Gathering Area as you enter or leave today.

The Sacrament

Preface

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

The musical score is written on six staves in a single system. The first staff is an instrumental introduction. The second staff begins the vocal melody with the lyrics 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er, God of might.' The third staff continues with 'Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -'. The fourth staff continues with 'na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who'. The fifth staff continues with 'comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -'. The sixth staff concludes with 'na in the high - est, ho-san - na in the high - est!' and ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er, God of might.

Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -

na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -

na in the high - est, ho-san - na in the high - est!

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

P: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power. By his incarnation, he became one with us. By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will. By his innocent death, he overcame hell. By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven. Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Words of Institution

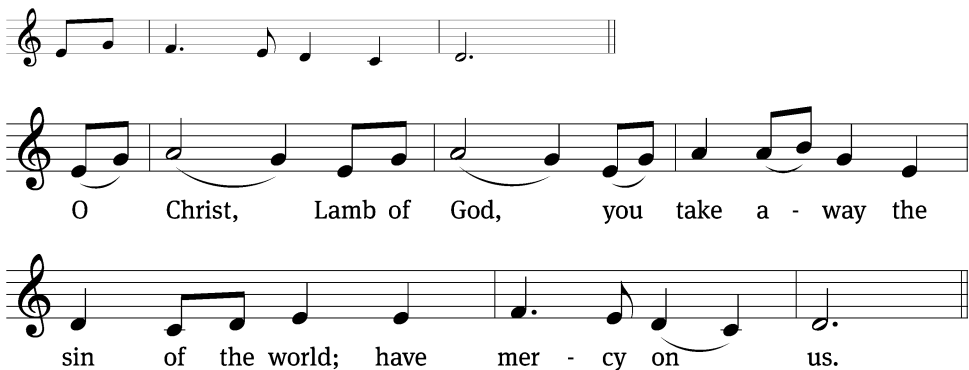
P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my ✠ body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my ✠ blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

O Christ, Lamb of God





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Distribution

To our guests: Scripture teaches us that those who commune together are expressing a unity in faith and in all of Scripture's teachings. This is called close communion. If you are not a member of St. Paul's, the Wisconsin Synod, or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod, you will want to learn what we teach and have the opportunity to express that unity at your confirmation before you commune with us. If you are interested in taking a class to learn more about our teachings, or if you have any questions, please speak with our pastors.

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

CW 663

Walking through the Sacrament of the altar and various connected doctrines, this beautiful hymn teaches deep truths in memorable ways that help us prepare properly to receive the Supper rightly.



1 Soul, a - dorn your - self with glad - ness; leave be -
 2 Has - ten as a bride to meet him, and with
 3 He who craves a pre - cious trea - sure nei - ther
 4 Now I kneel be - fore you low - ly, filled with



hind all gloom and sad - ness. Come in - to the day-light's
 lov - ing rev - 'rence greet him, for with words of life im -
 cost nor pain will mea - sure, but the price - less gifts of
 joy most deep and ho - ly, as with trem - bling awe and



splen - dor; there with joy your prais - es ren - der
 mor - tal he is knock - ing at your por - tal.
 heav - en God to us has free - ly giv - en.
 won - der on your might - y work I pon - der,



un - to him whose grace un - bound - ed has this won - drous
 O - pen wide the gates be - fore him, say - ing, as you
 Though the wealth of earth were prof - fered, naught would buy the
 by such mys - ter - y sur - round - ed, depths that no one



sup - per found - ed. He, though reign - ing high and
 there a - dore him: Grant, Lord, that I now re -
 gifts here of - fered: Christ's true bod - y, for you
 ev - er sound - ed. None may dare to pierce un -



ho - ly, deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.
 ceive you, that I nev - er - more will leave you.
 riv - en, and his blood, for you once giv - en.
 bid - den se - crets that with you are hid - den.

5 Human reason, though it ponders,
cannot fathom these great wonders,
that Christ's body must be boundless
since the souls it feeds are countless,
and that he his blood is giving
with the wine we are receiving.
These great mysteries unsounded
are by God alone expounded.

6 Lord, by love and mercy driven,
you have left your throne in heaven
on the cross for me to languish
and to die in bitter anguish,
to forgo all joy and gladness
and to shed your blood in sadness.
By this blood redeemed and living,
Lord, I praise you with thanksgiving.

7 Jesus, sun of life, my splendor,
Jesus, friend of friends most tender,
Jesus, joy of my desiring,
fount of life, my soul inspiring:
at your feet I cry, my maker,
let me be a fit partaker
of this blessed food from heaven
for our good, your glory, given.

8 Jesus, Lord of life in heaven,
help me when this meal is given
to receive it for my blessing
as I come, my sins confessing.
In this supper let me measure,
Lord, how deep is your love's treasure,
that, as I on earth have eaten,
I may be your guest in heaven.

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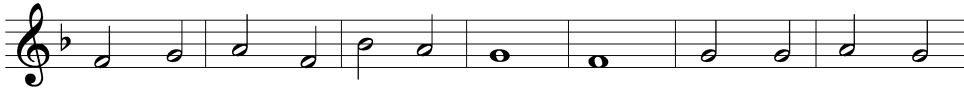
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Day of Wrath

CW 485

Judgment Day is daunting, but our King is Judge. His work spares us and prepares us for the joy of heaven.



1 Day of wrath, O day of mourn - ing! See ful - filled the
2 Death is struck and na - ture quak - ing; all cre - a - tion
3 See, the book, ex - act - ly word - ed, where - in all has
4 What shall I in awe be plead - ing, who for me be



proph - ets' warn - ing: heav'n and earth in ash - es burn - ing.
is a - wak - ing, to its judge an an - swer mak - ing.
been re - cord - ed; thus shall judg - ment be a - ward - ed.
in - ter - ced - ing when your mer - cy I am need - ing?

5 King of majesty tremendous,
who such grace have freely sent us,
fount of pity, then befriend us.

6 Think, good Jesus, my salvation
caused your wondrous incarnation,
made you suffer my damnation!

7 On the cross your dying spared me;
just and righteous you declared me;
I await the joy prepared me.

Text (sts. 1–6): attr. Thomas de Celano, c. 1190–c. 1260, abr.; (sts. 1–6): tr. William J. Irons, 1812–1883; (st. 7): Mark A. Jeske, b. 1952
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P: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

C: his mercy endures forever.

P: Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

C: we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

P: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

It Is Well with My Soul

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With such a joyful view of Judgment Day, how could we have anything but peace like a river every day?!



1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when
2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let
3 My sin— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought— my
4 And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, the



sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll— what - ev - er my lot, thou hast
this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my
sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross, and I
clouds be rolled back as a scroll; the trump shall re - sound, and the



taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.
help - less es - tate and hath shed his own blood for my soul.
bear it no more: praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
Lord shall de - scend; e - ven so, it is well with my soul.



It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

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Setting Four from Christian Worship

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+ Ministry Notes +

Our good day in God's house continues after worship, too.

Our after-worship adult Bible Class time is a great time for good Christian encouragement as we grow in the Word together and take time to pray for one another. Today we will finish the study on reading the book of Revelation: The Distant Song Draws Near, focusing this time on “the Summary.” Sunday School for the children is at the same time.

Sometimes, it takes a village

Stick around after worship to hear about the amazing Gospel ministry of Thai Village and learn how you can support this work!

Thanksgiving is coming, and that's a deliciously good thing

The children of our preschool and kindergarten will be celebrating Thanksgiving with their annual feast and the sailing of the Mayflower on this **Friday, November 21**. Next week on **Wednesday, November 26** all are welcome at our **Thanksgiving Eve** service at 6 PM, followed by a pie and ice cream social (all are welcome to bring a pie or just their appetite).

Tis the season (soon™)

Following Sunday School and a special Christmas Bible Study on **November 30** we will be decorating for the Christmas season! Many hands make light work, so if you are able, please plan to stick around to help out.

All aboard this train

Soon, St. Paul's family member Justin Shue will leave on deployment. To support Justin and Emily and family, there is a “meal train” set up here:

<https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/rolz1l> If you need technical help (or if you just don't want to use a computer or smartphone), see tech support (aka Pastor James) to get signed up. Thanks!

Helping others worship well

Welcoming to our worship space, letting people know what's coming in worship, and leaving our worship space in tip-top shape—this is how our ushers help us worship well. Current ushers, there is a sign-up for a blessedly busy December in our fellowship area. If you have not served in this incredibly helpful and also quite fun way but you'd like to, please talk with Pastor James.

Can you fix it?

We are looking for a maintenance supervisor for our campus. If the Lord has blessed you with the skill and time, please consider this wonderful (and paid) position, and speak with Rob Banker if interested or have questions.

Make a friend this month

Each month the congregations in our North Florida Lutheran Women's Mission Society circuit take turns befriending a world and a home missionary, and November is our month!

Please shower our missionaries and their families with cards, letters and emails of thanks and encouragement for the important work they do. Anything you can think of to refresh their spirits and gladden their hearts--children's artwork, gift cards, etc.! And remember them in your prayers - throughout the month of November and beyond!

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Our Christian Stewardship of God's Gifts

Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful. – 1 Cor. 4:2

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE: 172

PREACHER: Tim Rosenow

ACCOMPANIST: Cindy Lendt

STREAMING: Josh Plum

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS: \$2,719

PRESIDING MINISTER: James Saatkamp

USHERS: Paul Althoff and Dan Cerney

FLOWERS: Debra Brito's birthday

and Lorene Seidenstucker's birthday

Let's pray this week!

birthdays | **Lorene Seidenstucker** (11-16), **Jim Kohrs** (11-18); **Debra Brito** (11-20); **Melissa Davis** (11-20)

anniversaries | (none this week)

homebound members | **Dave Brandt, Bee Grunig, John Hambel, Leona Harms, Leon and Barbara Johnson, Susan Rammel, Kathy Saracione, Josephine Throo, and Paula Vitolo**

health | **Tom Colwell** (ongoing pain and cancer treatment); **Madison Duncan** (Becky Ramsey's daughter, ongoing autoimmune issues); **Dana Eynon** (continued shoulder recovery); **Tom Hutchison** (recovery from his medical procedure); **Rick Robinson** (recovering from a fall); **Barbara Sadler, Kathy Babcock** (Barbara's daughter), and **Kathy's daughters** (genetic health issues); **Nancy Scruton** (recovering from her medical procedure); **Jim Teller** (ongoing heart issues); **Eleanor Welfel** (born to Seth and Gaia Welfel); **Linda Bond** (upcoming surgery)

Serving in worship next week

Ushers: Bruce Salzmänn, Rick Freihofer

Streaming: Bill Hoeltke

This Week | November 16th – 22nd

MON –Bible Info Class 6 PM

WED – Isaiah Bible Study 10 AM

THU – Choir 6:30 PM

FRI – Morning chapel 8:30 AM; PreK-K Thanksgiving Feast

Upcoming Events

November 26 – Thanksgiving Eve Service 6 PM; Pie and ice cream social to follow

November 30 – Decorating for Christmas

December 3 – Midweek Advent Service 6 PM

December 13 – Advent by Candlelight

December 14 – Christmas Caroling (meet at 3:15 PM)

December 16 – PreK-Kindergarten Christmas Service 6 PM

December 18 – 1st-8th Grade Christmas Service 6 PM

WHO WE ARE

(Our Mission)

St. Paul's Lutheran Church is a family. Like any family, we have our strengths and we have our weaknesses. We experience successes and we experience struggles. These are the things which unite us. For we know that we aren't perfect, but our Heavenly Father is; and he has loved us with a perfect love, sending his Son Jesus to die on the cross for our sins and to give us eternal life in heaven. With that same love, he comes to us through his Word, the Bible, to equip us and encourage us as we live in a world which can leave us feeling discouraged and hopeless at times. So, as a family, we **gather** together around God's Word in church and in Bible classes. We have a school where children can **grow** in their relationship with our Heavenly Father and where we can **go** to share the love of Jesus with them. We want as many people as possible to know the joy and hope which we have as members of God's family.

If you would like to learn more about our church family or the ministries we offer through our church, school, and preschool, please speak with our pastors, principal, preschool director, faculty, or one of our members.

Thank you for being a part of our church family today!



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