

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH



SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

WELCOME

Thank you for worshipping with us today.

Please sign the guest register in the entry
as you leave the church today.

TODAY'S SERVICE

September 28th, 2025

Liturgy: Setting Two, WS page 12

Speaker:

Pastor Matthew Ude

Organist:

Pamela Schulz

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PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 146

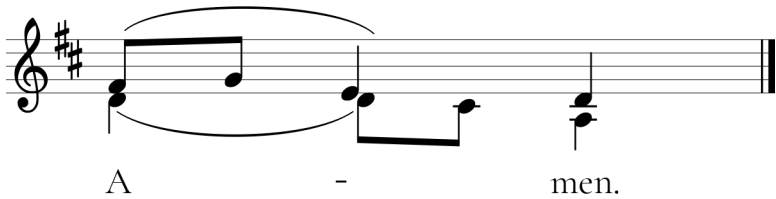
Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul! ² While I live I will praise the LORD; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being. ³ Do not put your trust in princes, *Nor* in a son of man, in whom *there is* no help. ⁴ His spirit departs, he returns to his earth; In that very day his plans perish. ⁵ *Happy is he* who *has* the God of Jacob for his help, Whose hope *is* in the LORD his God, ⁶ Who made heaven and earth, The sea, and all that *is* in them; Who keeps truth forever, ⁷ Who executes justice for the oppressed, Who gives food to the hungry. The LORD gives freedom to the prisoners. ⁸ The LORD opens *the eyes of* the blind; The LORD raises those who are bowed down; The LORD loves the righteous. ⁹ The LORD watches over the strangers; He relieves the fatherless and widow; But the way of the wicked He turns upside down. ¹⁰ The LORD shall reign forever-- Your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!

SERVICE OF THE WORD

#1 Open Now the Gates of Beauty

INVOCATION

p In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

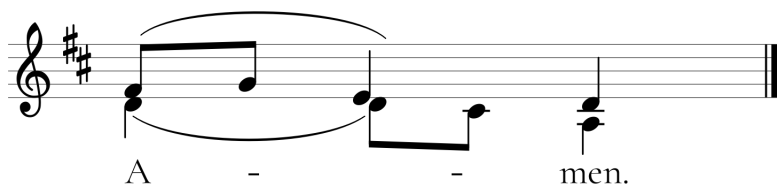


CONFESSION OF SINS

p We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

all Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth, In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray; Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

p God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.





Glo - ry to God, we
Lord Je - sus Christ, the
A - lone, O Christ, You



give You thanks and praise; Of heav'n - ly
Fa - ther's on - ly Son, You bore for
on - ly are the Lord, At God's right



joy and peace on earth we sing. We wor-ship
us the load of this world's sin. O Lamb of
hand in maj-es - ty most high: Who, with the

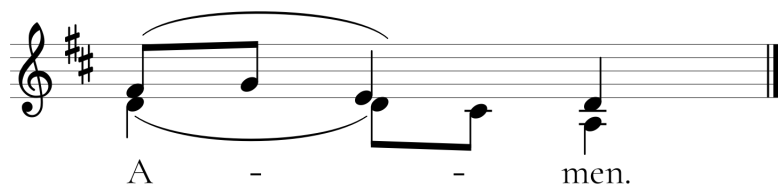


You, to You our hearts we raise, Lord God, al-
God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won, Re - ceive our
Spir - it worshiped and a - dored, With all the



might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King
prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

p Let us pray . . . O God, You are the strength of all who trust in You, and without Your aid we can do no good thing. Grant us the help of Your grace that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ , Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE WORD

Amos 6:1-7 Woe to you *who are* at ease in Zion, And trust in Mount Samaria, Notable persons in the chief nation, To whom the house of Israel comes! ² Go over to Calneh and see; And from there go to Hamath the great; Then go down to Gath of the Philistines. *Are you* better than these kingdoms? Or is their territory greater than your territory? ³ Woe to you who put far off the day of doom, Who cause the seat of violence to come near; ⁴ Who lie on beds of ivory, Stretch out on your couches, Eat lambs from the flock And calves from the midst of the stall; ⁵ Who sing

idly to the sound of stringed instruments, *And* invent for yourselves musical instruments like David; ⁶ Who drink wine from bowls, *And* anoint yourselves with the best ointments, *But* are not grieved for the affliction of Joseph. ⁷ Therefore they shall now go captive as the first of the captives, *And* those who recline at banquets shall be removed.

1 Timothy 6:6-19 ⁶ Now godliness with contentment is great gain. ⁷ For we brought nothing into *this* world, *and it is* certain we can carry nothing out. ⁸ *And* having food and clothing, with these we shall be content. ⁹ *But* those who desire to be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and *into* many foolish and harmful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all *kinds of* evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. ¹¹ *But* you, O man of God, flee these things and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness. ¹² Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the pres-

ence of many witnesses. ¹³ I urge you in the sight of God who gives life to all things, and *before* Christ Jesus who witnessed the good confession before Pontius Pilate, ¹⁴ that you keep *this* commandment without spot, blameless until our Lord Jesus Christ's appearing, ¹⁵ which He will manifest in His own time, *He who is* the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords, ¹⁶ who alone has immortality, dwelling in unapproachable light, whom no man has seen or can see, to whom *be* honor and everlasting power. Amen. ¹⁷ Command those who are rich in this present age not to be haughty, nor to trust in uncertain riches but in the living God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy. ¹⁸ *Let them* do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to give, willing to share, ¹⁹ storing up for themselves a good foundation for the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.

p Blessed are they who hear the word of God and keep it.





THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered

and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#377:1-3 Salvation Unto Us has Come

SERMON

Luke 16:19-31 ¹⁹ "There was a certain rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and fared sumptuously every day. ²⁰ "But there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, full of sores, who was laid at his gate, ²¹ "desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table. Moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. ²² "So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³ "And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. ²⁴ "Then he cried and said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.' ²⁵ "But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented. ²⁶ 'And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that those who want to pass from here to you cannot, nor can those from there pass to us.' ²⁷ "Then he said, 'I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father's house, ²⁸ 'for I have five brothers,

that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment.' ²⁹ "Abraham said to him, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' ³⁰ "And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' ³¹ "But he said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead.'"

GOD'S PROMISES ARE WORTH MORE THAN A BLANK CHECK

It is not the poverty of Lazarus that saves him, nor the wealth of the rich man that condemns him. It is the power of the word that saves Lazarus and gives him a name. It is his unwillingness to repent that condemns the rich man.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly
 Spir-it from me. Restore to me the joy of Your sal -
 va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir-it free.

#387:1-4 Dear Christians One and All Rejoice

Offering Hymn #788:1

Lord, You love the cheerful giver who with open heart and hand, blesses freely, as a river that refreshes all the land. Grant us, then, the grace of giving with a spirit large and

true that our life and all our living we may consecrate to
You.

PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

all 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.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

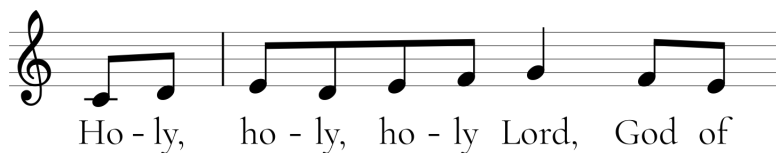
p The Lord be with you.

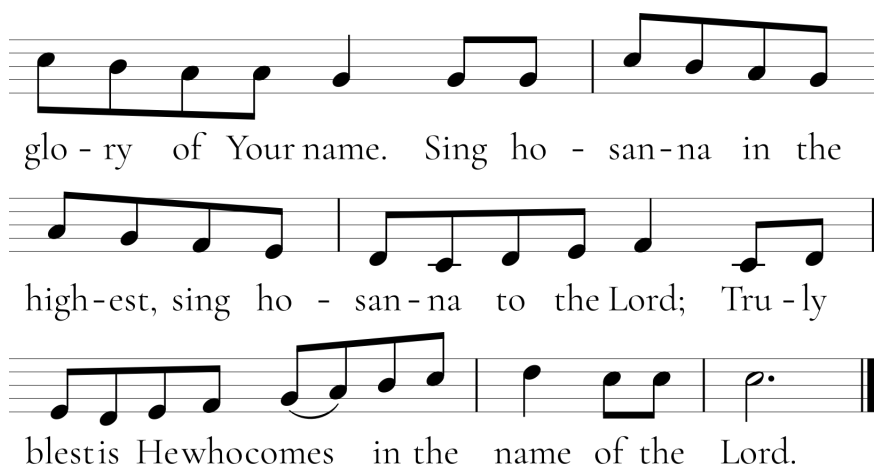


p Lift up your hearts.



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, by whom we confess that you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, are one God and one Lord, and we acknowledge you as our Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

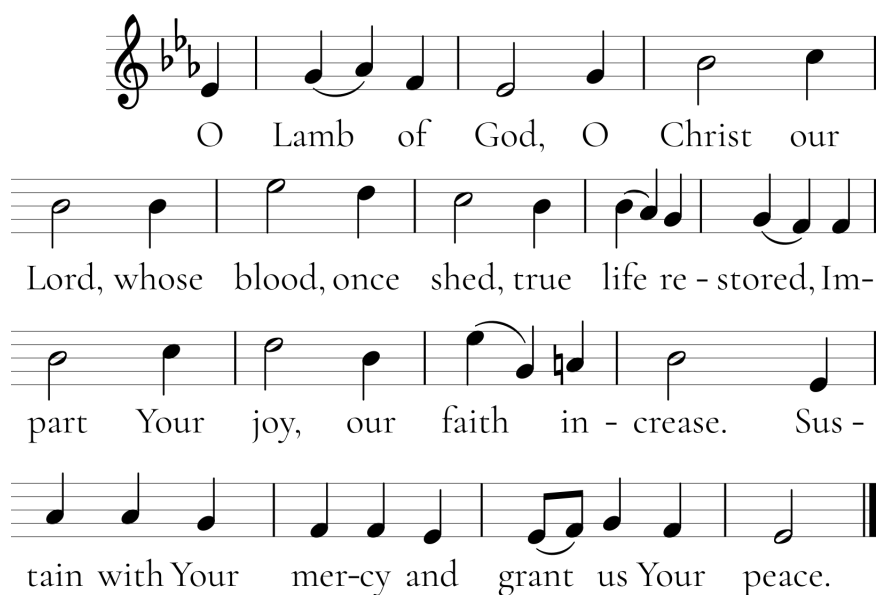




p Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread. And when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.

In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed 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!



THE DISTRIBUTION

Prayers for before and after communion are available on page 118 of your hymnal. We ask that only members of the CLC come forward to receive the Lord's Supper.

Distribution Hymn 313



O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All



part in heav'n-ly peace, For I have seen the
glo-ry to the Son, All glo-ry to the



glo-ry Of Your re-deeming grace: A light to lead the
Spir-it, For - ev - er Three-in - One; For as in the be-



Gen - tiles Un - to Your ho - ly hill, The
gin - ning, Is now, shall ev - er be, God's



glo-ry of Your peo-ple, Your chosen Is-ra - el.
tri-unename re - sounding Through all e - terni - ty.

THE BENEDICTION

p The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make
His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and
give you peace.



#743 Immortal. Invisible God Only Wise

Sermon Worksheet - Luke 16:19-31

What would you do for \$1,000?

What has more power than money?

What is the purpose of today's text?

What was the real difference between Lazarus and the rich man?

What kind of name do riches give you?

What kind of name does God's word give you?

What appeals does the rich man make?

What does Abraham say is the only power to save?

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

9 am Communion Service

10 am Sunday School

10:15 am Bible Class

6 pm Women of Faith

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5

9 am Worship Service

10 am Sunday School

10:15 am Bible Class

FRUITS OF FAITH

General Fund- \$ 2850

Missions - \$ 100

School Fund \$ 25 In memory of
Sieglinda Abendroth

Sunday Service – 68

Sunday School – 14

Bible Class –

USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER

BL Lillo, Jim Brown,
Mitch Newton

USHERS FOR OCTOBER

Andy Kohn, Bob McElroy,
Randy Strelow

COUNTER

This Week Team # 6

Jim Kok, Jared Swyter

Next Week Team # 1

Dale Muehlenhaupt,
Fred Whitehouse

MISSION FESTIVAL

Next Sunday is mission festival.
There will be a potluck following
the mission presentation. Talk to
Nancy Kirst for more information.

MANKATO WOMEN'S RETREAT

Immanuel Mankato invite women
of area congregations to a one-day
retreat. The theme for the treat is
'Finding Our Identity in as a Reflec-
tion of Christ's Image'. Presenta-
tions will include our identity in
Christ, our Identity Reflected to the
World, and Confidence in our Iden-
tity. Childcare will be available. To
register go to [https://
tinyurl.com/3jp5ax8y](https://tinyurl.com/3jp5ax8y)

If you would like to register with
the church directly instead of filling
out the google form please call the
church office at 507-345-3027.

WOMEN OF FAITH

Notes from the last meeting included on monthly report on the shelf.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Hab. 1:1-4; 2:1-4

Psalms 62

2 Tim. 1:1-14

Luke 17:1-10

CALL NEWS

Pastor Nathan Pfeiffer of Berea Lutheran Church, Inver Grove Heights, MN, has received the call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI.

Pastor Ben Libby of Redeemer Ev. Lutheran Church, Cheyenne, WY, has returned the call to Living Hope Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI.

DEDICATION

Zion Lutheran Church (formerly of Ipswich, SD) will dedicate their new church building (1223 4th Ave SW, Aberdeen, SD) on Sunday, October 26, at 5:00pm.



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