



LAKE OF THE ISLES LUTHERAN CHURCH
✠ Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost ✠
November 15, 2020

Our readings during November speak of the end times. Jesus tells the parable of the talents, calling us to use our gifts, while we still have time, for the greater and common good. In a world filled with violence and despair, we gather around signs of hope—word, water, bread, and wine—eager to welcome the good news of Christ’s coming among us.

✠ Gathering ✠

Following the call of God’s Spirit, the community of faith gathers, welcoming one another and praying for God’s mercy to fill the church and the world.

We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

Prelude

Rêverie

Claude Debussy (1862-1918)

Welcome

Call to Worship

*Please stand
as you are able.*

Psalm 90

Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to another.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born, from age to age you are God.

You turn us back to the dust and say, “Turn back, O children of earth.”

For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past and like a watch in the night;

you sweep them away like a dream, they fade away suddenly like the grass:

in the morning it is green and flourishes; in the evening it is dried up and withered.

For we are consumed by your anger; we are afraid because of your wrath.

Our iniquities you have set before you, and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.

When you are angry, all our days are gone; we bring our years to an end like a sigh.

The span of our life is seventy years, perhaps in strength even eighty; yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow, for they pass away quickly and we are gone.

Who regards the power of your wrath? Who rightly fears your indignation?

So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

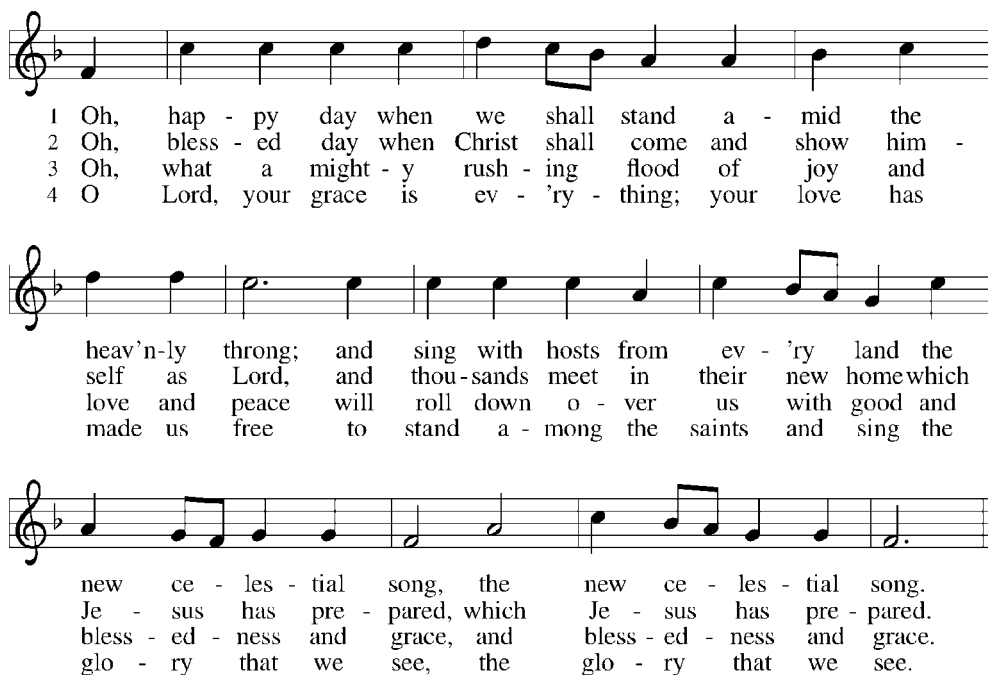
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.

Gathering Hymn

Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand

ELW #441



1 Oh, hap - py day when we shall stand a - mid the
 2 Oh, bless - ed day when Christ shall come and show him -
 3 Oh, what a might - y rush - ing flood of joy and
 4 O Lord, your grace is ev - 'ry - thing; your love has

heav'n-ly throng; and sing with hosts from ev - 'ry land the
 self as Lord, and thou-sands meet in their new home which
 love and peace will roll down o - ver us with good and
 made us free to stand a - mong the saints and sing the

new ce - les - tial song, the new ce - les - tial song.
 Je - sus has pre - pared, which Je - sus has pre - pared.
 bless - ed - ness and grace, and bless - ed - ness and grace.
 glo - ry that we see, the glo - ry that we see.

Text: Wilhelm A. Wexels, 1797–1866; tr. composite
 Music: LOBT GOTT, IHR CHRISTEN, Nikolaus Herman, 1480–1561
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Apostolic Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

✠ Word ✠

Please be seated.

*The Word of God comes alive for the gathered community
 As God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.*

Children's Message

Dismissal Song

We Lift Our Voices

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff. It begins with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes, with some triplets indicated by a '3' over the notes. The lyrics are printed below the staff, aligned with the notes. The score is divided into two systems, each containing three staves of music.

We lift our voic - es, we lift our hands, we lift our
lives up to you: we are an of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voic-es, Lord, use our
hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing.
All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we
give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voic - es, we lift our hands, we lift our
lives up to you: we are an of-fer-ing, we are an of-fer-ing.

Text: Dwight Liles
Music: OFFERING, Dwight Liles

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1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

*Though we do not
know and cannot
calculate the day of
Christ's return, we
live faithfully in the
here and now as we
anticipate the day
when we will be giv-
en eternal salvation
through our Lord
Jesus Christ.*

Reading

¹Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. ²For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! ⁴But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; ⁵for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. ⁶So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; ⁷for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. ⁸But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. ¹¹Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.



*Please stand
as you are able.*

Matthew 25:14-30

*Jesus tells a parable
about his second
coming, indicating
that it is not sufficient
merely to maintain
things as they are.
Those who await his
return should make
good use of the gifts
that God has provided
them.*

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁴“For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; ¹⁵to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. ¹⁷In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. ¹⁸But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money. ¹⁹After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.’ ²¹His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ ²²And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.’ ²³His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ ²⁴Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; ²⁵so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.’ ²⁶But his master replied, ‘You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? ²⁷Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. ²⁹For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. ³⁰As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’”

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.***

On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated.

Hymn of the Day

*Please stand
as you are able.*

Sermon

We Give Thee But Thine Own

ELW #686



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,
3 The cap - tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,
4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be:



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.
to teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christ-like thing.
what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.
Music: HEATH, L. Mason and G. Webb, *Canica Lauda*, 1850

Prayers of the Church

P: Longing for Christ's reign to come among us, we pray for the outpouring of God's power on the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

A: Lord of the church, ignite your people with the passion of your love. By the fire...Lord, in your mercy

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all of whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen

Greeting of Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

*After the greeting, please **share a word** of peace with those around you.*



Anthem

Please be seated.

Offertory

*Please stand
as you are able.*

*The response concludes
with Amen.*

Offertory Prayer



✠ Offering ✠

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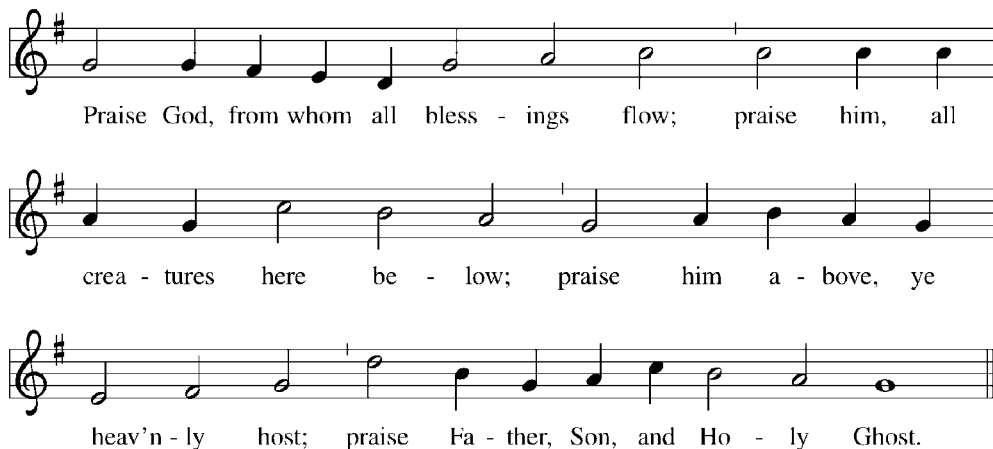
Now Thank We All Our God

Martin Rinkhart/ William Allen Pasch

*Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done, in Whom this world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.*

*O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in His grace, and guide us when perplexed;
And free us from all ills, in this world and the next!*

*All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given;
The Son and Him Who reigns with Them in highest Heaven;
The one eternal God, whom earth and Heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.*



Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711
Music: OLD HUNDREDTH. Louis Bourgeois. 1510–1561

A: God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant. **Amen.**

✠ Meal ✠

*We lift our hearts with praise and thanksgiving as the table is set,
and we receive the bread and wine—the humble meal through which we are fed by
the presence of Jesus the Christ and united as the body of Christ in the world.*



Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

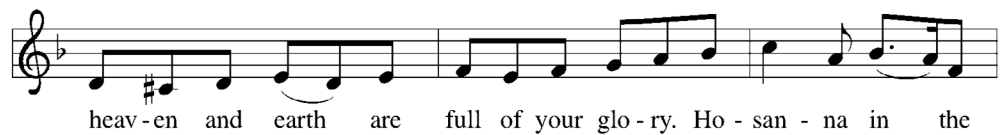
P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn...



Music: Per Harling, b. 1948
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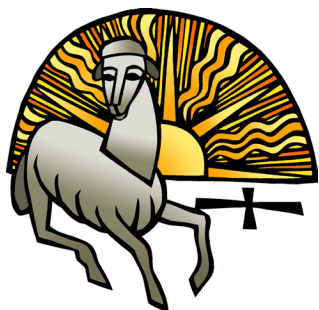
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Words of Institution

The 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.

Please be seated.



Invitation to Communion

P: Come to me all who are tired and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. The table is ready. All are welcome.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God

Musical notation for the hymn "O Christ, Thou Lamb of God". The melody is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us! O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us! O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a - way the sin of the world, grant us thy peace! A - - - - - men

Text: German, 1528, based on the Agnus Dei; tr. unknown
Music: CHRISTI: DU LAMM GOTTI:S. *Kirchenordnung*, Braunschweig, 1528

Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

C: Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

A: Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn

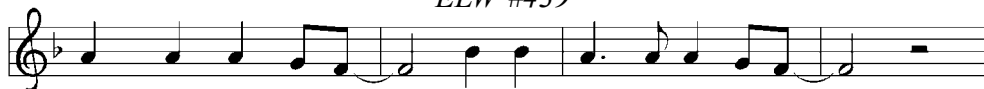
*Please stand
as you are able*

✠ Sending ✠

*We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace,
Sent out to live the way of Jesus for the sake of the world God loves.*

Soon and Very Soon

ELW #439



1 Soon and ver - y soon
2 No more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,
3 No more dy - in' there,
4 Soon and ver - y soon



soon and ver - y soon
no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,
no more dy - in' there,
soon and ver - y soon



soon and ver - y soon
no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King.
no more dy - in' there,
soon and ver - y soon



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!

Coda after stanza 4



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -



jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

Text: Andraé Crouch, b. 1945

Music: VERY SOON, Andraé Crouch

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Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

Please be seated.

Announcements

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Toccata

Kris Rizzotto (b. 1989)

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WELCOME

*We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again —
for prayer and worship and to any of the events our congregation has scheduled.
We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.*

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CALENDAR

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| SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8 | 9:30 AM | <i>Worship with Holy Communion</i>..... Sanctuary |
| | 2:30 PM – 4:30 PM | <i>Stewardship Dinner Pickup</i> 21st Street Entrance |
| | 5:00 PM | <i>Virtual Stewardship Dinner</i> YouTube |
| MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16 | 7:00 AM | <i>AA</i> Patio/Fellowship Hall |
| TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17 | 9:15 AM | <i>Prayer Ministry</i> Zoom |
| | 7:00 PM | <i>Men's AA Group</i> Sunday School Rooms |
| WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18 | 10:00 AM | <i>Bible Study</i> Zoom |
| | 12:00 PM | <i>Staff Meeting</i> Zoom |
| | 4:00 PM | <i>Confirmation</i> Christy Room |
| THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19 | 7:00 PM | <i>Women's Bible Study</i> Zoom |
| SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22 | 9:30 AM | <i>Worship with Holy Communion</i>..... Sanctuary |
| | | <i>Thanksgiving Sunday</i> |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer List

Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing:



Loved Ones In The Military

Please keep all the members and families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



Bruce Kuehn; the family of **Bruce Allan**, son of Dawn Allan; **John Rondestvedt**, grandfather of Taylor, Lauren & Maddie; **Jim Jodie**, cousin of Carolyn Hagford; **Sam Pederson**, nephew of Jennifer Cook; **Jim Peterson**, brother-in-law of Rick and Suzanne Pepin; **Bruce Payne** and **Mike Payne**, cousins of Michelle McCreery; **Mary McCarthy**, friend of Nancy McCutcheon; **Lynn Williamson**, family of Bruce and Carol Kuehn; **Heluza Ramos**, grandmother of Rebecca Morell, **Deb Benson**, mother of Kayla Hoel; **Trevor Daniel**, prayer request by Cheri Moe, Peggy Wagner, friend of the congregation, Heidi Chadwick, sister of Cindy Huttner, **the family of Lars Peterssen**, friend and work colleague of Denise Wilkens.

Happy Birthday



Ben Mechels 11.19 Arden Haug 11.19

New Address for Bruce Kuehn

Bruce Kuehn has moved into a care facility this week. Please note his new address:

Breck Home Care Center,
312 W 95th St
Bloomington, MN 55420



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