



# Welcome to Moe

Pentecost 25 ~ November 10, 2024

## Welcome and Announcements

### Call to Worship:

God stretches out the heavens  
and shapes the earth.

**Come and give thanks!**

God raises up the mountains  
and pours water into the seas.

**Come and give thanks!**

God calls forth plants from the soil  
and forms animals in infinite variety.

**Come and give thanks!**

### Praise and Thanksgiving - ELW 689 - Verse 1

Praise and thanksgiving, God, we would offer  
for all things living, you have made good:  
harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard,  
hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.

God breathes upon us  
and fills us with life.

**Come lift your voices in praise!**

God gives our lives meaning  
through laughter and tears.

**Come lift your voices in praise!**

God touches our hearts  
through family and friends.

**Come lift your voices in praise!**

### Praise and Thanksgiving - ELW 689 - Verse 3

Father, providing food for your children,  
by Wisdom's guiding teach us to share  
one with another, so that, rejoicing  
with us, all others may know your care.

God loves us and blesses us  
with everything good.

**Come and worship!**

God loves us and overwhelms us  
with never-ending generosity.

**Come and worship!**

God loves us and surrounds us  
with love in abundance!

**Come and worship!**

*Praise and Thanksgiving - ELW 689 - Verse 4*

Then will your blessing reach ev'ry people,  
freely confessing your gracious hand.  
Where you are reigning, no one will hunger;  
your love sustaining showers the land.

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*Greeting:*

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

*Prayer of the Day:*

**This morning, Lord, we dedicate everything for your glory!**

- ❖ **May our thoughts, words, and songs,**
- ❖ **May our church and our community,**
- ❖ **May our resources, our time, and our lives,**
- ❖ **All be for you!**

**In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

*Special Music - Handbells*

*First Reading: 1 Kings 17:8-16*

<sup>8</sup>The word of the Lord came to [Elijah,] saying, <sup>9</sup>“Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there, for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” <sup>10</sup>So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.” <sup>11</sup>As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread

in your hand.”<sup>12</sup> But she said, “As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die.”<sup>13</sup> Elijah said to her, “Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said, but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son.”<sup>14</sup> For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth.”<sup>15</sup> She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days.<sup>16</sup> The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### *Psalm 146*

<sup>1</sup> Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

<sup>2</sup> **I will praise the Lord as long as I live;  
I will sing praises to my God all my life long.**

<sup>3</sup> Do not put your trust in princes,  
in mortals, in whom there is no help.

<sup>4</sup> **When their breath departs, they return to the earth;  
on that very day their plans perish.**

<sup>5</sup> Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob,  
whose hope is in the Lord their God,

<sup>6</sup> **who made heaven and earth,  
the sea, and all that is in them;  
who keeps faith forever;**

<sup>7</sup> who executes justice for the oppressed;  
who gives food to the hungry.

The Lord sets the prisoners free;

<sup>8</sup> **the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.  
The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;  
the Lord loves the righteous.**

<sup>9</sup> The Lord watches over the strangers;  
he upholds the orphan and the widow,  
but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

<sup>10</sup> **The Lord will reign forever,  
your God, O Zion, for all generations.  
Praise the Lord!**

*Gospel Acclamation: "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"*

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

Music: Caribbean traditional

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*Gospel: Mark 12:38-44*

**L:** The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the 12th chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>38</sup> As [Jesus] taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces <sup>39</sup> and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! <sup>40</sup> They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

<sup>41</sup> He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. <sup>42</sup> A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. <sup>43</sup> Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. <sup>44</sup> For all of them have contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

**L:** The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Sermon Song: "Day by Day"*

ELW 790

*Sermon*

## *Apostles' Creed*

**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.**

*Offering: Special Music – Handbells*

*Offertory:*

*We give thee but thine own, Whatev'r that gift may be.  
All that we have is thine alone, A trust O Lord from thee.*

*Prayers:*

Loved by our Creator, rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation:

For those who have served in the armed forces ... we give thanks for the many sacrifices made on our behalf. For those currently serving, we bring our prayers for blessing and protection. For those who are veterans, we bring our prayers of gratitude. Bless all who selflessly give of themselves for the sake of the vulnerable.

Lord in your mercy ... **hear our prayer.**

For policy makers who have power to positively shape public perspective and create avenues toward greater good in our world ... bring them an ability to listen and work together for the well-being of all people.

Lord in your mercy ... **hear our prayer.**

For our Church Council as they provide leadership for our congregation, for our committees as they create opportunities for excitement and involvement, for our church members as they seek balance between the responsibilities of the world and participation in the life of the Church... may we be energized through deepening our faith and loving others in your Name.

Lord in your mercy ... **hear our prayer.**

For those among us who struggle with addiction ... for those who suffer with mental illness ... for those who long for your healing mercy ... for those who grieve loss of any kind ... provide grace upon grace that they may feel your presence and know your love.

Lord in your mercy ... **hear our prayer.**

God of abundance, give us the faith to trust in your daily provision for our needs. Help us respond to the invitation and challenge us to generously share the gifts you have given.

Lord in your mercy ... **hear our prayer.**

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### *Lord's Prayer:*

*Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:*

**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.**

### *Benediction*

Dismissal:

Go in peace, Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

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