

# **Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost**

**November 16, 2025**



**10 a.m. Worship**  
**Augustana Lutheran Church**  
**Pastor *Amy Kelly***  
**Accompanist *Anne Hintz***

## **GATHERING**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God. (\*stand if able)*

## **PRELUDE**

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Faithful God,

**C: you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful and selfish systems and do not embrace your faithful promises. We ignore our neighbors. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. Amen.**

P: Hear the good news: God the Faithful One loves you, † in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.

**C: Amen.**

# **\*OPENING HYMN “Holy, Holy, Holy”**

ELW #413

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y!  
 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,  
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.  
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
 though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,  
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
 which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
 per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.  
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt.  
 Music: John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

## **\*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.**

# \*KYRIE ELEISON

*Leader sings verses; All Refrain*

*Refrain*



*Last time*



- 1 For peace in the world, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im -
- 3 For peace in our hearts, for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you



health of the church, for the u - ni - ty of all;  
 passionate re - sponse to the hun - gry and the poor;  
 peace in our homes, for friends and fam - i - ly;  
 cen - ter our lives in the wa - ter and the word;



for this ho - ly house, for all who wor - ship and praise,  
 that we may live out . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
 for life and for love, . . . for our work and our play,  
 that you nour - ish our souls . . . with your bo - dy and blood,

*Refrain*



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

### **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**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. Amen.**

### **CHILDREN'S WORD**

**WORD**      *God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.*

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

#### **Psalm 98**

- <sup>1</sup> O sing to the LORD a new song,  
for he has done marvelous things.  
His right hand and his holy arm  
have gotten him victory.
- <sup>2</sup> The LORD has made known his victory;  
he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.
- <sup>3</sup> He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness  
to the house of Israel.  
All the ends of the earth have seen  
the victory of our God.
- <sup>4</sup> Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;  
break forth into joyous song and sing praises.
- <sup>5</sup> Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,  
with the lyre and the sound of melody.
- <sup>6</sup> With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.

<sup>7</sup> Let the sea roar and all that fills it,  
 the world and those who live in it.  
<sup>8</sup> Let the floods clap their hands;  
 let the hills sing together for joy  
<sup>9</sup> at the presence of the LORD, for he is coming  
 to judge the earth.  
 He will judge the world with righteousness  
 and the peoples with equity.

P: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *“Halle, Halle, Halleujah”*

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. Hal-le-lu-jah.

Music: Caribbean traditional; arr. Mark Sedio, b. 1954

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## **GOSPEL**

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

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

### **Luke 21:5-19**

<sup>5</sup> When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, <sup>6</sup> “As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.”

<sup>7</sup> They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” <sup>8</sup> And he said, “Beware that you are not led astray, for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them.

<sup>9</sup> “When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.” <sup>10</sup> Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; <sup>11</sup> there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

<sup>12</sup> “But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. <sup>13</sup> This will give you an opportunity to testify. <sup>14</sup> So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, <sup>15</sup> for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. <sup>16</sup> You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. <sup>17</sup> You will be hated by all because of my name. <sup>18</sup> But not a hair of your head will perish. <sup>19</sup> By your endurance you will gain your souls.

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **MESSAGE**

*Pastor Amy Kelly*

# HYMN OF THE DAY “When Peace, like a River”

ELW # 785



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 He lives—oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; my  
4 Lord, has - ten the day when our 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 his cross and I  
clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trum - pet shall 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.

Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828-1888

Music: VILLE DU HAVRE, Philip P. Bliss, 1838-1876



### **\*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.**

### **\*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Each petition will end with the words, "Hear us O God"  
The congregation responds, **"Your mercy is great"**

### **\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**P:** The Peace of Christ be with you always.

**C:** And also with you.

### **OFFERING**

# \*OFFERTORY "Give Thanks"

W&P #41



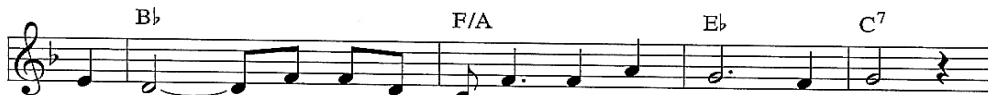
Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, give thanks to the Ho-ly One,



give thanks be-cause he's giv-en Je-sus Christ, his Son.



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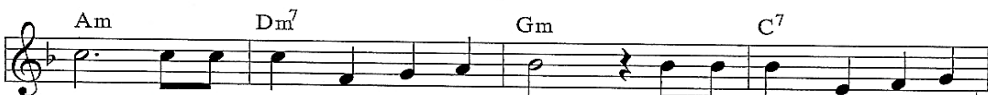
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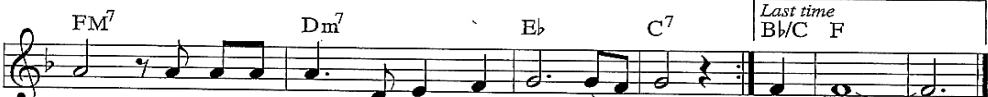
And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am



rich," be-cause of what the Lord has done for us. And



now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am



rich," be-cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

## **\*OFFERING 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.**

## **MEAL**

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

## **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, that we should in all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and  
might; heav - en and earth are filled with your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P: You are indeed Holy, Almighty and Merciful God. You are most holy and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved that world that you gave your only Son so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

### **DISTRIBUTION**

*We commune together following The Lord's Prayer.*

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

P: God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name.

**C: Amen.**

## **\*BLESSING**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

**\*SENDING HYMN** "Soon and Very Soon"

W&P #128



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



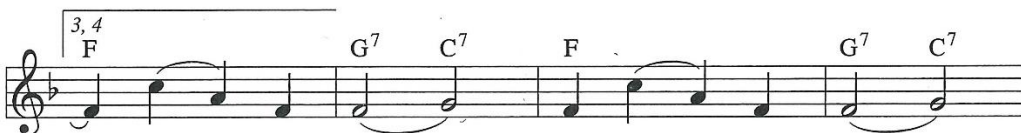
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 no more dy - in' there,  
 soon and ver - y soon



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



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



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

## **\*DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace, Praise God in creation.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **AUGUSTANA'S CALENDAR**

|     |       |                                                  |                                                                                                          |
|-----|-------|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sun | 11/16 | 9:15 a.m.<br>10 a.m.                             | Coffee fellowship<br>Worship; Coffee fellowship following<br>Worship                                     |
| Mon | 11/17 | 3 p.m.                                           | Men's Pie @ Perkins                                                                                      |
| Wed | 11/19 | 3:45 p.m.<br>5:30 p.m.                           | Confirmation<br>Council                                                                                  |
| Thu | 11/20 | 9 a.m.<br><b>10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Office Open</b> | Piecemakers Quilting in Fellowship Hall                                                                  |
| Sun | 11/23 | 9:15 a.m.<br>10 a.m.<br><br>11:15 a.m.           | Coffee fellowship<br>Worship; November birthday<br>celebration following Worship<br>Christmas decorating |

*Please see the Kiosk for details on other happenings this week.*

## **COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING WORSHIP**

Wednesday Nov 26 6:30 p.m. @ Zion. Dessert to follow.

There will be a community choir. Rehearsal is at 5:30 p.m. before the service.

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# Fergus Falls Collaboration

A NW MN Synod Area Mission Conversation

## November Update



Over the last 8 months, five congregations — Augustana, Zion/Hedemarken, Hope, First, and Bethlehem Lutheran Churches — have been faithfully gathering to explore how we might collaborate for the sake of the Gospel.

### **Executive Committee Members from all 5 congregations met at Augustana September 25th**

This was a valuable time for key leaders from each church to talk about the status of life at their congregations, their strengths and growing edges. The conversation went on for over an hour and a half as there was great interest in what each congregation was doing.

### **Rev. Rebel Hurd from the NW MN synod office met with congregants from all 5 churches on October 23<sup>rd</sup> at First Lutheran**

We began by getting together in groups that had members from the various churches and did an exercise in which we found things we all had in common. In addition to the Executive Committee meeting, two work groups will meet to plan the ONE Worship Event and a joint youth event.

### **We will worship together on Thanksgiving Eve!**

There will be a community Thanksgiving Eve service at Zion/Hedemarken on Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. A community choir will sing at this service with any members from each church who might like to join in. Those who want to sing in the choir are asked to be at the church by 5:30 p.m. to practice.

### **Other Upcoming Gathering Dates**

- November 20: *Executive Teams Meet*
- December 4<sup>th</sup> @ Zion; *Full Group Meeting. Agenda: Executive Mtg Report plus Youth Collaboration and One Worship Groups (set Date and Location)*
- January 15 @ Bethlehem; *Full Group Meeting*

All gatherings will include updates from small groups, relationship-building across congregations, and continued prayerful discernment about what God is doing among us. New participants are encouraged to attend!

For questions reach out to: Pastor Amy