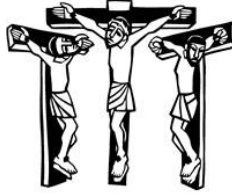


Service of Holy Communion & Baptism

Christ the King

November 23, 2025



INTRODUCTION

Jeremiah's promise of the execution of "justice and righteousness in the land" finds ironic fulfillment in the execution of Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews. It appears utterly contradictory that a king should be crucified with a criminal. This victory appears for all the world as humiliating defeat. Yet through the gate of death Jesus opens the door to paradise.

GATHERING

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

The Congregation stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P. Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

P. Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Congregation kneels or sits. Silence is kept for reflection.

P. Faithful God, **you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from our paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, re 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. **Amen.**
Congregation stands

THE 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

A. In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C. Lord, have mercy.

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

C. Lord, have mercy.

A. 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.

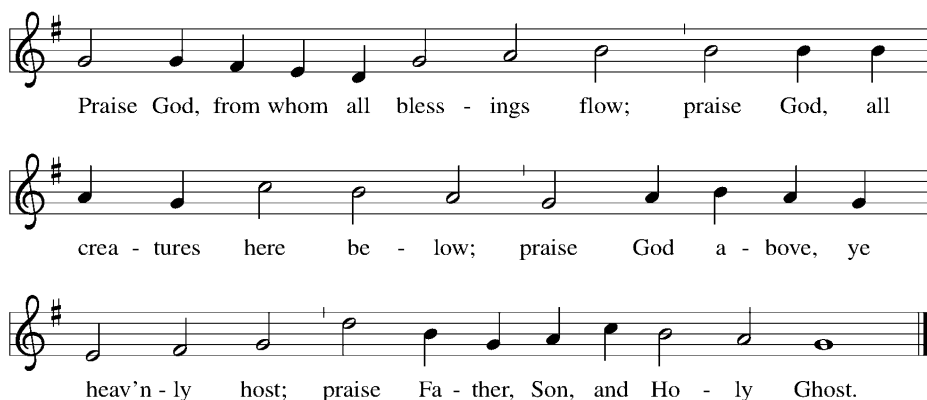
A. For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C. Lord, have mercy.

A. Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C. Amen

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711, alt.

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P. O God, our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Congregation is seated

WORD

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:1-6

¹ Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. ² Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. ³ Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴ I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall no longer fear or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

⁵ The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

A. Word of God, word of life.

C. Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 46 (*read responsively*)

¹ God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

² **Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**

³ though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

⁴ **There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.**

⁵ God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;
God shall help it at the break of day.

⁶ **The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth melts away.**

⁷ The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

⁸ **Come now, regard the works of the LORD,
what desolations God has brought upon the earth;**

⁹ behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with

fire.

¹⁰ **"Be still, then, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."**

¹¹ The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

SECOND READING: Colossians 1:11-20

¹¹ May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³ He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, ¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

A. Word of God, word of life.

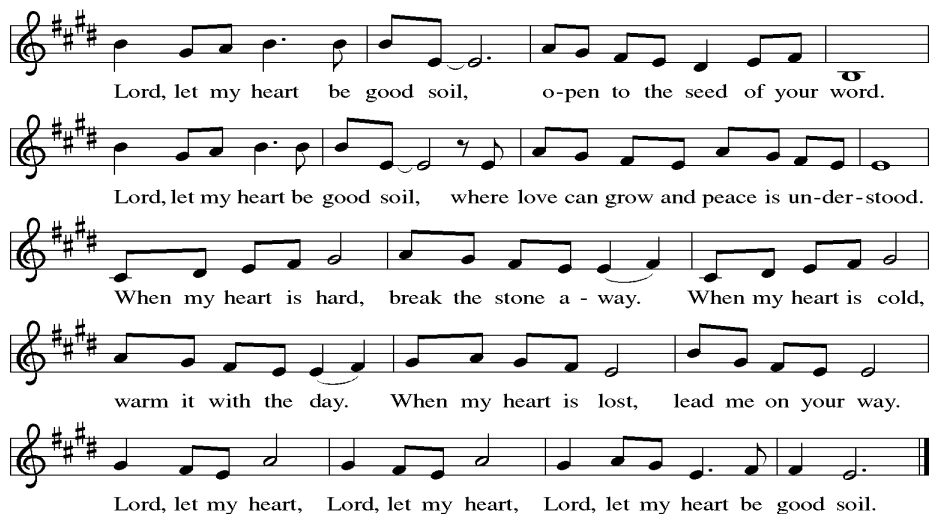
C. Thanks be to God.

A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL

Children & Youth are invited forward for a special sermon time with Pastor Peggy.

Congregation stands

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der-stood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold,

warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

GOSPEL: Luke 23:33-43

P. The holy gospel according to Luke. **C. Glory to you, O Lord.**

³³ When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴ [[Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."]] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵ And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" ⁴¹ And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom." ⁴³ He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

P. The gospel of the Lord. **C. Praise to you, O Christ.**

Congregation is seated

SERMON

The One And Only

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

P. God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Sponsors: I present *Trevor Jude Miseo* for baptism.

P. Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have *Trevor* baptized into Christ?

Parents' Response: I do.

P. As you bring *Trevor* to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with him among God's faithful people,
bring him to the word of God and the holy supper,
teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
place in his hands the holy scriptures,
and nurture him in faith and prayer,
so that *Trevor* may learn to trust God,
proclaim Christ through word and deed,
care for others and the world God made,
and work for justice and peace.

P. Do you promise to help *Trevor* grow in the Christian faith and life?

Parents' Response: I do.

P. Sponsors, do you promise to nurture *Trevor* in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Sponsors' Response: I do.

P. People of God, do you promise to support *Trevor* and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

C. We do.

Congregation stands

PROFESSION OF FAITH

P. I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

P. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Parents & Sponsors' Response: I renounce them.

P. Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Parents & Sponsors' Response: I renounce them.

P. Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Parents & Sponsors' Response: I renounce them.

P. Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C. 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.**

P. Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C. 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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

P. The Lord be with you.

C. And also with you.

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

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

P. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Congregation is seated

BAPTISM

P. *Trevor Jude*, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

C. You belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.

P. Let us pray... We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your son new birth and raise him to eternal life. Sustain *Trevor Jude* with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

P. *Trevor Jude*, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

WELCOME

A lighted candle is given to the newly baptized (to a sponsor of a young child) as a representative of the congregation says:

A. Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify God in heaven.

A. Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C. We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

Congregation stands

HYMN OF THE DAY

Crown Him with Many Crowns

ELW 855

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A. Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need. *A brief silence.*

A. We pray for the church in the world, its leaders, and its mission to share the good news of healing and restoration. Inspire us to embody the beloved community in ways that faithfully witness to the Holy Spirit. Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

A. We pray for the trembling mountains and glad streams of creation. Preserve and renew your coastlines, deep seas, forests, and grasslands. Guide all who tend flocks or care for creatures of all kinds. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

A. We pray for leaders and advocates in government, civic life, and public safety. Support equity across the globe, and heal division with accountability and truth. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

A. We pray for any who are hungry, living in poverty or desperation, weary in body or spirit, or sick. We pray especially for... those we name aloud... and those we hold in our hearts... Comfort all in need of your tender care. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

A. We pray for this part of the body of Christ gathered around word and sacrament. Bring us into authentic community where all ages are valued and experience God’s faithfulness together. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

A. We give thanks for all who have died in faith. May we remember them faithfully until we are gathered with you in the paradise you promise. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

P. We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P. The Peace of Christ be with you always.

C. And also with you.

P. Let us share with each other a sign of Christ’s peace.

Congregation is seated

CHOIR ANTHEM

Forever King of Kings by Alexander & Mauldin

MEAL

OFFERTORY INVITATION

Scan to give
via Venmo ↓



Offering can be given by putting it in the offering plate when it is passed, online directly via the QR codes for Tithely or Venmo, or by requesting your bank to send a check to the church. Find more details on our website.

Thank you for your generous gifts!

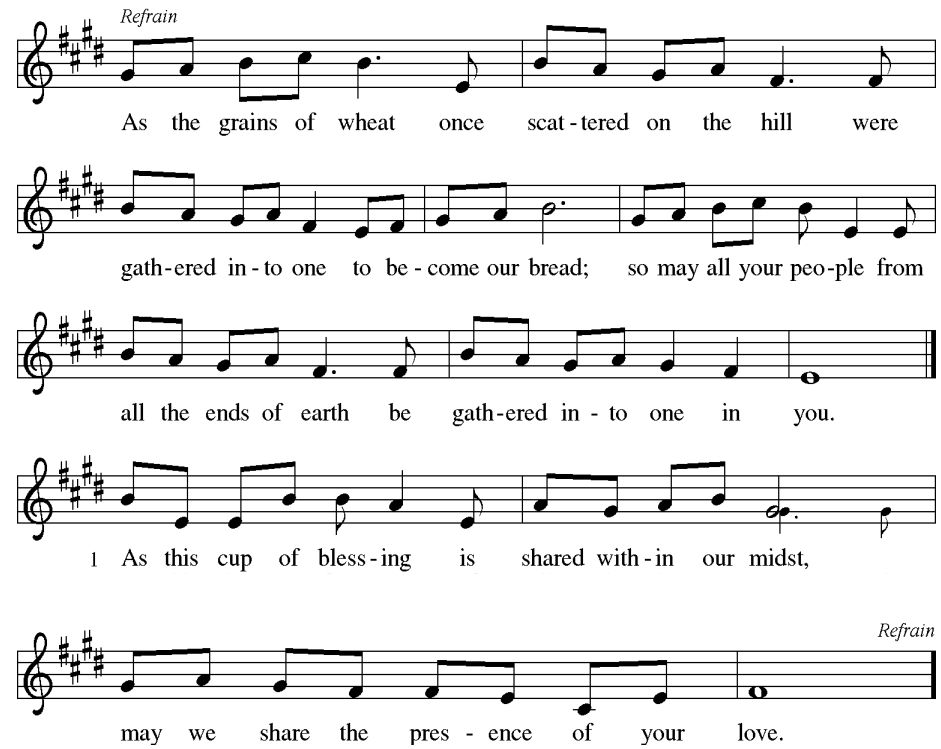
Scan to give
via Tithely ↓



Congregation stands

OFFERTORY SONG

Refrain



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.
1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with - in our midst,
Refrain
may we share the pres - ence of your love.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A. Let us pray... 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. **Amen.**

DIALOGUE & PREFACE OF THE 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 at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vision of your glory, that beholding the God made visible, we may be drawn to love the God whom we

cannot see. And so with all the choirs of angels, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy (*Sing 2x—English 1st time; Spanish 2nd time*)



San - to, san - to, san - to, mi co - ra-zón te_a - do - ra.
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you.



Mi co - ra-zón te sa - be de-cir: San - to_e-res Se - ñor.
My heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly, God.

Text: Argentine traditional

Music: ARGENTINE SANTO, Argentine traditional

Congregation kneels or sits

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P. Holy God, our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food, you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.

You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life, and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven. You sent your Son to eat with sinners and to become food for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life given for us and his rising from the grave, we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal: strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want, and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty God, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen.**

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Believing in the real presence of Christ, we practice Eucharistic hospitality. All baptized persons are welcome to Communion this morning. Please come forward, guided by the Ushers, to receive the bread and wine. Children are invited to the table for a blessing.

Gluten free and traditional wafers are available, please note this to Pastor Peggy when you come up. The bread is dairy and egg free. Grape juice is available in the second communion plate. As you return to your seat via the side aisles you can place your empty cup in the baskets on either side.

P. There is a place for you at the table of God. Come, receive the food that does not perish, a taste of life eternal.

COMMUNION SONG

Refrain

“Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.
OR Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.”
Je - sus Christ, ris - en Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.

Text: Taizé Community

Music: BERTHIER, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

Text and music © 1984 Les Presses de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc., agent, 7404 S. Mason Ave., Chicago, IL 60638, www.giamusic.com.
800.442.3358. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

Duplication in any form prohibited without permission or valid license from copyright administrator.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

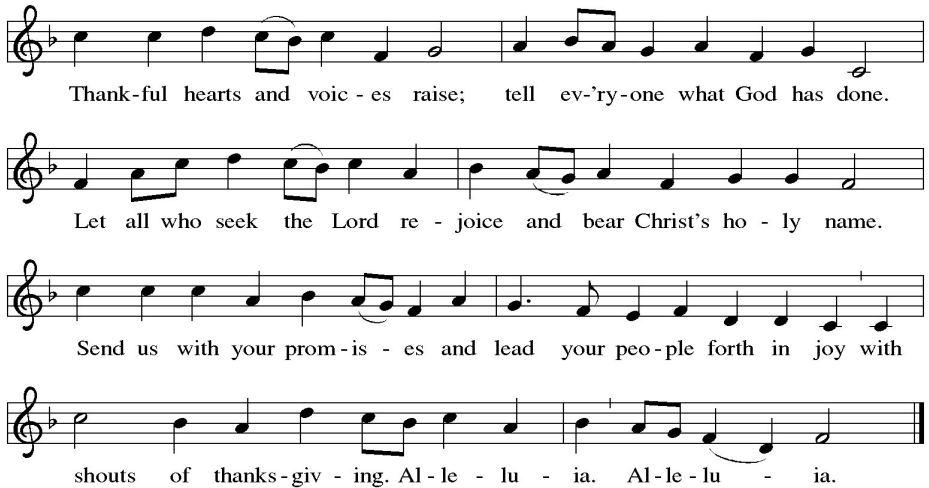
After all have received Communion the congregation stands.

TABLE BLESSING

P. The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

SONG AFTER COMMUNION

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.

Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.

Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with

shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980

Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923

Text and music © 1978, 1995 Augsburg Fortress. ONE LICENSE, License #A-731656

Duplication in any form prohibited without permission or valid license from copyright administrator.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A. Let us pray... 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. **Amen.**

SENDING

BENEDICTION

P. The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you, God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead. The holy Trinity bless you ✠ and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

Lift High the Cross

ELW 660

DISMISSAL

A. Go in peace. Share the harvest. **C. Thanks be to God**

From Sundays and Seasons.com. Copyright 2025 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #SAS020048. Permission to reprint/stream the music in this service obtained from ONE LICENSE #A-731656. New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

Announcements for November 23rd, 2025

***Welcome** to Holy Counselor Lutheran Church. May you experience the joy of God’s presence in our worship!*

*If today is your **first time** worshipping at Holy Counselor, please be sure to fill out the “Guest Book” on the table in the narthex and take a welcome bag.*

*Please ask our ushers any questions you may have regarding worship this morning. **Large print bulletins are available.***

***Worship is live streamed** to our church Facebook page, but the camera is pointed away during Communion and is not on the children when they come forward during A Time for the Child in Us All.*

~~~~~  
***Today we welcome as a child of God, Trevor Jude Miseo, son of Hannah and Michael Miseo. Katrina Miseo and Nicholas Rapisardi will serve as his godparents. Please join us in welcoming Trevor Jude as a newly baptized member of the church universal and Holy Counselor Lutheran Church’s family.***

***Thank you, Kucks Family, for this morning’s refreshments***  
~~~~~

<u>Volunteers for Today’s Worship</u>	
Lay Asst.	Debbie Lennon
Ushers	Volunteer needed
Comm. Asst.	<i>Volunteer needed</i>
Tech	John Heeren
Tellers	<i>Volunteer needed</i>
Refreshments	Kucks Family

<u>Volunteers for Next Sunday, Nov. 30th</u>	
Lay Asst.	Volunteer needed
Ushers	<i>Volunteer needed</i>
Comm. Asst.	<i>Volunteer needed</i>
Tech	<i>Volunteer needed</i>
Tellers	<i>Volunteer needed</i>
Refreshments	Heeren Family

******* Join us for refreshments after worship*******

THIS WEEK AT HOLY COUNSELOR

Sunday, Nov 23: Sunday School, 8:45-9:15am

Worship w/Communion & Baptism, 9:30am

Thanksgiving Pie pick-up following worship

Choir Practice following worship

Monday, Nov 24: Council Meeting, 6:30-8:30pm

Wednesday, Nov 26: Adult Ed, Advent Study, Zoom, 10am

Thursday, Nov 27: Thanksgiving Day, office closed

Turkey Trot, 6-11:30am

Saturday, Nov 29: Sisters in Prayer, Zoom, 8:30am

Sunday, Nov 30: Sunday School, 8:45-9:15am

Worship w/Communion & Baptism, 1st Sunday of Advent, 9:30am

Choir Practice following worship

Church Council: Council meets **tomorrow night** from 6:30-8:30pm.

Church Items Needed: We are extremely low on toilet paper and paper towels. Please contribute to our **“Paper Drive”** in the months of December and January.

College Student Addresses: Do you have a student in college? If so, **email** Pam Kucks (pkucks@gmail.com) their name & address **ASAP** for college care packages! They count even if they live at home and commute. **Packages will be mailed out this week, on November 28th.**

Hanging of the Greens: Our annual Hanging of the Greens will be **THIS Saturday, November 29th from 9-11am**. Come join in the fun, decorating the church for Advent and Christmas. **Snacks will be provided**. All are welcome, many hands make light work!

Poinsettia Orders: Order forms are available for our annual poinsettia sale which will help beautify the altar for our Christmas Eve Worship. Note “poinsettias” with your payment via check, cash, or Venmo. **Order forms** can be **placed** in the offering plate or turned into the church office. The **deadline** for ordering is **next Sunday, November 30th**.

Spending Plan Q&A: **Following worship on Sunday, December 14th we will have our spending plan Q&A.** This is the time to ask questions about the proposed spending plan for 2026. This allows us to have a smooth annual meeting in January.

RaiseRight for Holiday Shopping/Gifts: As you are preparing gifts for the holidays, we want to remind you of our ongoing program RaiseRight! **You can purchase gift cards to be sent to others as gifts or you can get gifts cards for the places you are buying from during this season.** Order forms with a sample of cards that can be ordered through HCLC, are by the book in the Narthex. Share the forms with your family and friends. It works by simply buying gift cards to stores where you already shop, and then the church gets a percentage of the gift card purchase. **Download the RaiseRight app & link to the church with enrollment code: TJUSKV3MDNWP**
Speak with John Heeren for more information.

Calendars coming soon: Have you enjoyed the beautiful calendars created by Frank's photography and Pam's scripture this year? Good news! **Calendars for 2026 will be available this week.** They make great gifts in addition to beautifying your own home! Keep an eye out.

Prayers for Porch Planks: **We have a little over \$1000 to go to cover the whole project.** Please consider supporting the Parsonage Porch replacement fund ("Prayers for Porch Planks") which is displayed on the whiteboard in the narthex. **A HUGE thank you** to everyone for your generous support so far!! \

Christmas Eve Worship: **Christmas Eve candlelight worship will be Wednesday, December 24th at 5pm.** We hope you and your families will join us! Invite your friends to join us as we celebrate the birth of Jesus.

Food Pantry: **Thank you for the recent generous food drives, we are still in need of:** canned fruit, canned stew, instant pudding, jello, 4-pack toilet paper & toothpaste. You can always bring donations of canned goods, paper goods, and hygiene products. All donations can be **placed in the blue bin** by the sanctuary doors. Thank you!



For God's Children of all ages!

Worship Notes

Sunday's Date: _____



My Favorite
Song:

This week, I'm praying for:

I'm curious or have a
question about:



Today's Focus Scripture: _____

I would draw it like:



Word Count

How many times did you hear each
of these words today? Make a tally.

grace: _____

joy: _____

peace: _____

love: _____

||

THE HOLIDAYS AT HOLY COUNSELOR



Advent Worship

11/30, 12/7,
12/14 (Pageant), 12/21
@9:30am

Christmas Eve Worship

Wed 12/24 @ 5pm
Candlelight & Communion

Lessons & Carols Worship

12/28 @9:30am



www.hc-lutheranchurch.org



@hclutheranchurch



@holycounselor_vernon



Contact Information

(973) 827-5251 office

www.hc-lutheranchurch.org

The Reverend Peggy Ludlow: pastorpeggy@hc-lutheranchurch.org

Director of Music: June Tarantino: music@hc-lutheranchurch.org

Office Administrator: Cathy Nemecek: office@hc-lutheranchurch.org

Bookkeeper: Wynn White: accounts@hc-lutheranchurch.org

MISSION STATEMENT

*As Children of God,
we are called to share and serve
Christ's love and bring God's word to all.*

CHURCH COUNCIL

Pastor Rev. Peggy Ludlow

President Nancy Knecht

Vice President Frank Urbaniak

Treasurer Claire Speroni

Recording Secretary Dawn McCormick

Financial Secretary John Heeren

Outreach Coordinator Francine Vince

Nurture Coordinator Fred Schoenagel

Administration Coordinator Diane Rossi

Youth Representative Kevin Drache

PASTORAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Kristina Heeren

Pam Kucks

Matt Moller

Aileen Donovan

Holy Counselor is located on the original and ancestral homelands of the Munsee people, and we give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial. We also wish to recognize and honor our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home.

