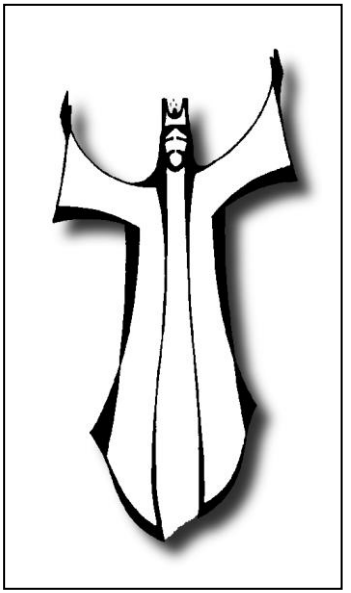


Lutheran Church of Our Savior

A.C.T.S. of Worship

November 8, AD 2026
24th Sunday after Pentecost
Third-to-Last Sunday of the Church Year

Our Mission
"Responding to God's love, Lutheran Church of Our Savior desires to reach more people for Christ by proclaiming Him, by growing in faith, and by caring for all people."

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OUR A-C-T-S OF WORSHIP

Adoration -- **C**onfession ∨ **T**hanksgiving - **S**upplication
HEARING GOD'S WORD FOR US

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS / INTRODUCTION

ADORATION & PRAISE

Stand
OPENING HYMN *Oh, That I Had A Thousand Voices* LSB 811 vv. 1-2 & 5

WORDS OF WORSHIP from REVELATON 1:4-8 & 7:9-10

Pastor: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

People: To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Pastor: Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him.

People: So shall it be. Amen.

Pastor: "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

People: To him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

HYMN STANZA REPEATED LSB 811 vs. 5

Creator, Humbly I implore You, To listen to my earthly song
Until that day when I adore you, Together with the angel throng
And learn with choirs of heav'n to sing, Eternal anthems to my King.

Pastor: After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, [10] and crying out with a loud voice,

People: "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

SHARING OF "PEACE AND SALVATION"

CONFESSION

CONFESSION OF FAITH -- APOSTOLIC CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit;
The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints;
The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Seated

CONFESSION OF SIN and ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Pastoral Introduction: . . . . If so, I ask you to confess and pray with me.

People: I confess, O God, my failure to love you or my neighbor as you require. I repent of my attitudes, actions and words which flow from this deep-rooted failure, and I ask for your forgiveness, and for a renewal of faith that will be more active in love, this day and in the days to come. This I ask in Jesus' Name. Amen

Assurance of Forgiveness

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS IN NOVEMBER
Shaena Allred Debbie Heuchert Michaela Olney

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

PRAYER

BAPTISMAL HYMN *I Bind Unto Myself Today* LSB 604 vv. 1-2

GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY

(Scripture Readings and Message)

OLD TESTAMENT READING Amos 5:18-24

18 Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD!
Why would you have the day of the LORD?
It is darkness, and not light,
19 as if a man fled from a lion,
and a bear met him,
or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall,
and a serpent bit him.
20 Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light,
and gloom with no brightness in it?
21 "I hate, I despise your feasts,
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.
22 Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,
I will not accept them;
and the peace offerings of your fattened animals,
I will not look upon them.
23 Take away from me the noise of your songs;
to the melody of your harps I will not listen.
24 But let justice roll down like waters,
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

13 But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. **14** For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. **15** For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord,[d] that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. **16** For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. **17** Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. **18** Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE **Welcome, Welcome, Welcome! ...Jesus!**

Stand

THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 25:1-13

Pastor: The Holy Gospel, according to St. Matthew, the 25th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

"Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps[a] and went to meet the bridegroom.[b] **2** Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. **3** For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, **4** but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. **5** As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. **6** But at midnight there was a cry, Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' **7** Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. **8** And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' **9** But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' **10** And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. **11** Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us." But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' **13** Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord **People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

MESSAGE HYMN *O Lord, How Shall I Meet You* LSB 334: 1, 4, 6

Sit
THE MESSAGE **" Division Inevitable !**
On Which Side of The Great Divide, We ? "

Stand
OFFERTORY *Create in Me A Clean Heart, O God* LSB p. 192

THANKSGIVING

(For all Gods gifts, temporal and eternal, Expressed with offerings, prayer and song)

INVITATION TO THANKSGIVING
Pastor: Now let us give thanks to the Lord for all that He has done for us.
People: For the Lord is good, and his mercy endures forever.
Pastor: And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency, in all things, at all times, you may abound in all good work.

Sit
TITHES & THANK-OFFERINGS ***With Instrumental Offering***

Stand
PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS / PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

A Number of ex corde thanksgiving prayers will be offered, concluding as follows.

Pastor: ….For this (and…) … Now with grateful hearts:
People: We all thank you Heavenly Father, through our Lord and Savior, Jesus.

SUPPLICATION

Please stand, OR, Be seated and bowing, as if kneeling for prayer
PRAYERS FOR OTHERS and OURSELVES
Each Petition Concludes
Pastor: Lord, in your mercy,
People: Hear our prayer.

Supplications may include:

- "kings and all in high positions," (1 Tim 2:2), and particularly the winners (and losers) in the week's U.S. elections.
- For the faithful preaching of God's Law and Grace in our own congregations and throughout the world, and for ever more people to receive and believe; and for our welcoming embrace of all who God sends to us. (And most earnest petition for our own loved ones currently without faith).
- For each of us to continue feeding our faith with God's Word and Holy Communion, and to keep our faith active in love, and alert for Christ's coming.
- For people on our congregation's prayer chain, and others, named here or in our hearts, who look for God's healing, peace, strength, or guidance.
- For good medical and pastoral care to be available to everyone – and for those who provide such care or ministry.
- For the hoped-for Joy at Christ's Coming, and our being welcomed into His Wedding Feast that Day.

All Stand

LORD'S PRAYER - *by 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.

BLESSING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ ✠ the Love of God
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be yours now and always.

People: AMEN!

CLOSING HYMN *How Great Thou Art* LSB 801: 1, 3-4

Worship Assistants	10:00 AM
Greeter	Kirsten Escobedo
Acolyte	Drew Schofield
Elder	Paul DiModica
Usher	Diana Brown
Lesson Reader	Lisa DiModica
Keyboard/Bass	Erika Miller/Tom Heuchert
Media	Jim LaBelle
Altar Guild	Marianne Heuchert