CENTRAL Lutheran Church

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**November 15, 2026**
**Weekly Insert**

## Today's Hymns for Worship

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| Gathering Hymn | ELW #832 | *My Lord of Light* |
| Hymn of the Day | ELW #695 | *As Saints of Old* |
| Communion Hymn | ELW #689 | *Praise and Thanksgiving* |
| Sending Hymn | ELW #674 | *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* |

## Today's Readings for Worship

### First Reading

Zephaniah 1:7,12-18

7 Be silent before the Lord GOD,
for the day of the LORD is at hand!
The LORD has prepared a sacrifice;
he has consecrated his guests.

12 At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,
and I will punish the people
who settle like dregs in wine,
those who say in their hearts,
"The LORD will not do good,
nor will he do harm."
13 Their wealth shall be plundered
and their houses laid waste.
Though they build houses,
they shall not inhabit them;
though they plant vineyards,
they shall not drink wine from them.

14 The great day of the LORD is near,
near and hastening fast;
the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter;
the warrior cries aloud there.
15 That day will be a day of wrath,
a day of distress and anguish,
a day of ruin and devastation,

a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and thick darkness,
16 a day of trumpet blast and battle cry
against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements.

17 I will bring such distress upon people
that they shall walk like the blind;
because they have sinned against the LORD,
their blood shall be poured out like dust
and their flesh like dung.
18 Neither their silver nor their gold
will be able to save them
on the day of the LORD's wrath;
in the fire of his passion
the whole earth shall be consumed,
for a full, a terrible end
he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God**

**Psalm 90:1-8,12**

1 Lord, you have been our refuge
from one generation to another.
2 **Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born,**
**from age to age you are God.**
3 You turn us back to the dust and say,
"Turn back, O child- ren of earth."
4 **For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past**
**and like a watch in the night;**
5 you sweep them away like a dream,
they fade away suddenly like the grass:
6 **in the morning it is green and flourishes;**
**in the evening it is dried up and withered.**
7 For we are consumed by your anger;
we are afraid because of your wrath.
8 **Our iniquities you have set before you,**
**and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.**

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

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 25th Chapter.
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel** Matthew 25:14-30

14 "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted
his property to them; 15 to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another
one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. At once 16 the one
who had received the five talents went off and traded with them and made five
more talents. 17 In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two
more talents. 18 But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug
a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. 19 After a long time the master
of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. 20 Then 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.' 21 His 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.' 22 And 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.' 23 His 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.' 24 Then 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, 25 so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground.
Here you have what is yours.' 26 But 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? 27 Then you ought to have invested my money with the
bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with
interest. 28 So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten
talents. 29 For 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. 30 As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness,
where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' "

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

*(Following worship, setup for Sunday Supper takes place in the Fellowship Hall.)*

## We Hold in Prayer this Week

For those grieving: Family and friends of Bjorn Ove, friend of Surridges.

God's Healing Presence: Chris' brother Tom and his family; Jan Ahern;Kathy Trosvig; Pat Krassin; Sheryn Todd; Elizabeth Ritchie; Agnes Birklid; Gayle & Dave's niece Amanda; Beth's friend Kamm & sister-in-law, Megan; Debbie's friends Larry and Terry; Surridges' friends Barby & Larry, Hedy, Monte, Cynthia, Nana, Dwight; Ed & Evie Bishop; Joan's father; Dave's friend, Julie Bolser, and niece, Leile Defolo; John, Guillermo, Monica, Cecilia, and Sofia; Debbie's brother Matt; Call Committee, Pastor Andy Yee, and candidates considering a call to Central Lutheran Church.

Prayers for our world, nation, and communities: For immigrants living in fear. For nations and peoples in the midst of warfare. For refugees seeking safety.

## Announcements

Pastor Kristy Daniels – Thank you for being our supply pastor today! We appreciate you!

Collecting like-new items – Kimberly Gildroy is collecting like-new items for a Kids' (free) Secret Santa Shop event they are having at Hope Lake Stevens. If you have any items at home that would be good gifts for kids to pick out for the adults in their lives and would like to donate them, please leave them in the church office any Sunday through Dec 6. Please contact Kim at 425-319-6667 or the church email office@centrallutheraneverett.com if you have any questions. Thank you!

Mission of the Month for both October and November is Central's Holiday Grocery Gift Cards. Donations can be made using the Special Offering envelopes in the pews. Or, you can donate on our website. Make sure to designate your donation to "Mission of the Month" on the "To:" drop down menu.

To see the church calendar, use the QR code or visit: https://www.centrallutheraneverett.com/pages/church-calendar

The calendar and worship schedule for this week and next week are located on the sign-up board at the back of the sanctuary.