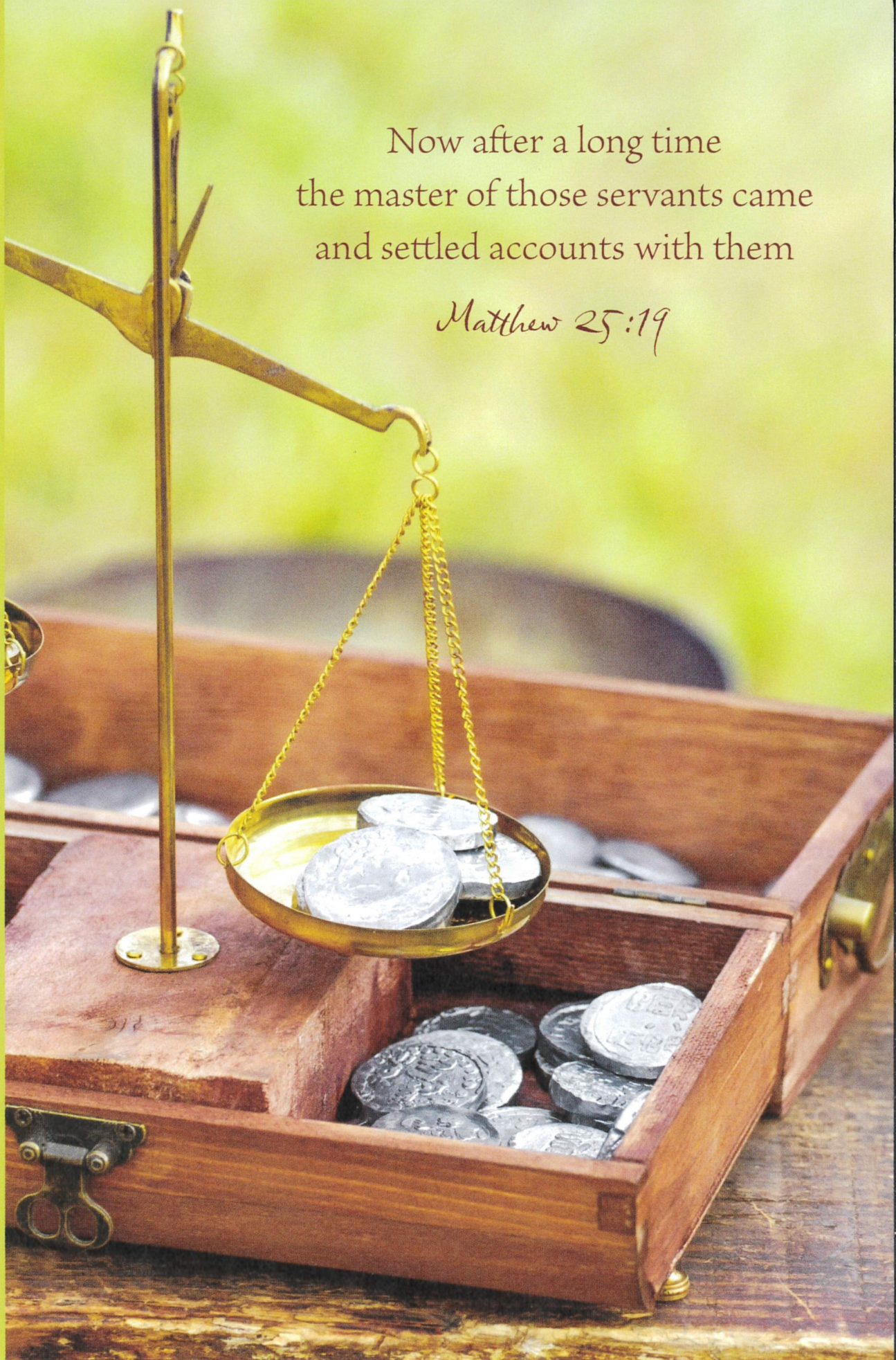


**Lord of Life Lutheran Church  
Plano, Texas**

Now after a long time  
the master of those servants came  
and settled accounts with them

*Matthew 25:19*



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### Our Mission Statement

Bring people into a living relationship with Jesus Christ by

- † reaching up to God in worship and prayer,
- † reaching in to be empowered by God's Word as members of His family &
- † reaching out at every opportunity with the Gospel of Christ.

### A Prayer before Worship

*Blessed Lord, who has caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so carefully hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of Your holy Word we may embrace, and ever hold fast, the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given to us in our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen. (The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941)*

### Large Print Bulletin and Children's Bulletin

Copies of today's bulletin are available in LARGE PRINT. Children's Activity Bulletins are also available. Please ask an usher if you would like to use either of these options.

### Nursery/Cry Room

The nursery is available for families with young children ages 2 and under in Room 109. It will not be staffed at the 8:00AM service, but will be during Bible classes and 10:45AM service. Or, if you prefer, Room 100 also is available as a cry room and/or a room for nursing mothers. Please ask an usher if you need assistance or directions.

### For Those Desiring Holy Communion, Please Read:

*"Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself." 1Corinthians 11:27-29*

Being admonished to receive Christ's Body and Blood in a worthy manner, let us prepare our hearts for reception of this sacrament by privately answering the following:

1. Do I believe that I am a sinful person without hope of eternal life except for God's mercy in Christ?
2. Do I believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son and my Savior?
3. Do I believe that He is present in the Sacrament of Holy Communion with His Body and Blood?
4. Do I hope by the power of the Holy Spirit to live a godly life?

AS YOU COME TO THE LORD'S SUPPER you are affirming with each communicant that Jesus is your Savior and Lord, that you believe His Body and Blood are present, and that you desire to serve Him as a disciple in the fellowship of His church. If you are not an active member of an LCMS congregation, please speak with the Pastor before communing.

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## Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 19, 2023

8:00 AM and 10:45 AM

Divine Service III – *LSB 184*

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### Prelude

*Stand*

### Opening Hymn

“We Give Thee But Thine Own”

*LSB 781*



1 We give Thee but Thine own, What - e'er the gift may be;  
2 May we Thy boun - ties thus As stew - ards true re - ceive  
3 Oh, hearts are bruised and dead, And homes are bare and cold,  
4 To com - fort and to bless, To find a balm for woe,  
5 The cap - tive to re - lease, To God the lost to bring,  
6 And we be - lieve Thy Word, Though dim our faith may be:



All that we have is Thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.  
And glad - ly, as Thou bless - est us, To Thee our first-fruits give!  
And lambs for whom the Shep-herd bled Are stray-ing from the fold.  
To tend the lone and fa - ther-less Is an - gels' work be - low.  
To teach the way of life and peace, It is a Christ-like thing.  
What - e'er for Thine we do, O Lord, We do it un - to Thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–97    Tune: William H. Monk, 1823–89

### Invocation, Confession, and Absolution

*LSB 184*

*The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

*Matthew 28:19b, [18:20]*

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

*[Hebrews 10:22]*

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

*Psalms 124:8*

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

*Psalms 32:5*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. *[John 20:19-23]*

**C** Amen.

### +++Service of the Word+++

#### Kyrie

*Mark 10:47; LSB 186*

**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

#### Gloria in Excelsis

*Luke 2:14, John 1:29; LSB 187*

**P** Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

2 Timothy 4:22; LSB 189

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Dispel from us the works of darkness and grant us to live in the light of Your Son, Jesus Christ, that our faith may never be found wanting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Old Testament Reading

*Zephaniah 1:7–16*

<sup>7</sup>Be silent before the Lord GOD!  
For the day of the LORD is near;  
the LORD has prepared a sacrifice  
and consecrated his guests.  
<sup>8</sup>And on the day of the LORD's sacrifice—  
"I will punish the officials and the king's sons  
and all who array themselves in foreign attire."  
<sup>9</sup>On that day I will punish  
everyone who leaps over the threshold,  
and those who fill their master's house  
with violence and fraud.  
<sup>10</sup>"On that day," declares the LORD,  
"a cry will be heard from the Fish Gate,  
a wail from the Second Quarter,  
a loud crash from the hills."  
<sup>11</sup>Wail, O inhabitants of the Mortar!  
For all the traders are no more;  
all who weigh out silver are cut off.  
<sup>12</sup>At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,  
and I will punish the men  
who are complacent, those who say in their hearts,  
'The LORD will not do good,  
nor will he do ill.'  
<sup>13</sup>Their goods 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."  
<sup>14</sup>The great day of the LORD is near,  
near and hastening fast;  
the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter;  
the mighty man cries aloud there.  
<sup>15</sup>A day of wrath is that day, 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,  
<sup>16</sup>a day of trumpet blast and battle cry  
against the fortified cities  
and against the lofty battlements.

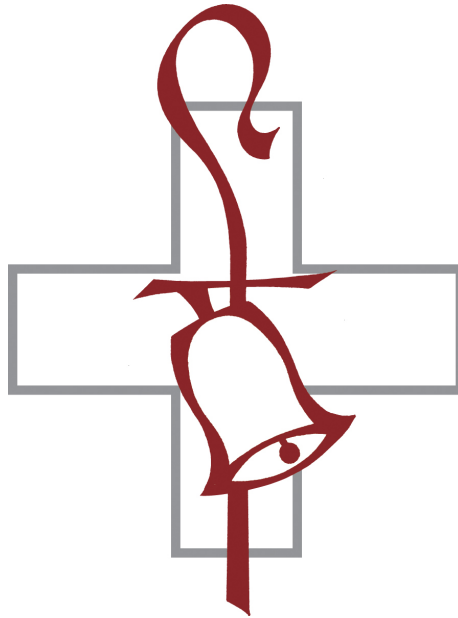
**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Duet

*“Give Ear Unto Me,” by Marcello*

*Give ear unto me, Lord, I beseech Thee,  
For I have walked in Thy commandments.  
Let me be judged with righteous judgment,  
O let my sentence come from Thy presence.  
O Show Thy loving kindness, Thy marvelous loving kindness,  
O Thou that art the Savior, of them that trust in Thee.*



## Epistle

*1 Thessalonians 5:1–11*

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. <sup>2</sup>For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup>While people are saying, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. <sup>4</sup>But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. <sup>5</sup>For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. <sup>6</sup>So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. <sup>7</sup>For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. <sup>8</sup>But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. <sup>9</sup>For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>10</sup>who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. <sup>11</sup>Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia

LSB 190



■ Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:14–30

■ The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.



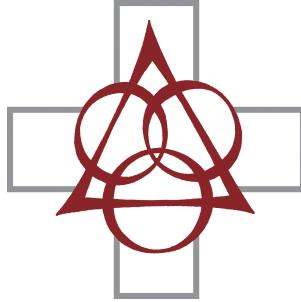
■ Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>14</sup>[Jesus said:] “For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. <sup>15</sup>To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. <sup>16</sup>He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. <sup>17</sup>So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. <sup>18</sup>But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master’s money. <sup>19</sup>Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. <sup>20</sup>And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.’ <sup>21</sup>His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’ <sup>22</sup>And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.’ <sup>23</sup>His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’ <sup>24</sup>He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, <sup>25</sup>so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.’ <sup>26</sup>But his master answered him, ‘You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed and gather where I scattered no seed? <sup>27</sup>Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. <sup>28</sup>So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. <sup>29</sup>For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. <sup>30</sup>And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’”

■ This is the Gospel of the Lord.



■ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.



## Nicene Creed

**☐ I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.**

## Hymn of the Day

“The Day Is Surely Drawing Near”

LSB 508



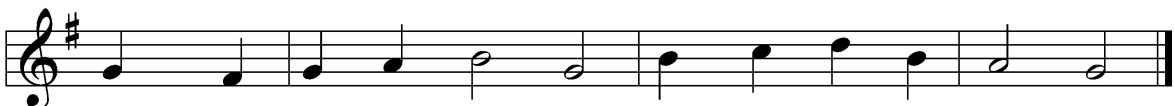
1 The day is sure - ly draw - ing near When Je - sus, God's a - noint - ed,  
2 The fi - nal trum - pet then shall sound And all the earth be shak - en,  
3 The books are o - pened then to all, A rec - ord tru - ly tell - ing  
4 Then woe to those who scorned the Lord And sought but car - nal plea - sures,  
5 My Sav - ior paid the debt I owe And for my sin was smit - ten;



In all His pow - er shall ap - pear As judge whom God ap -  
And all who rest be - neath the ground Shall from their sleep a -  
What each has done, both great and small, When he on earth was  
Who here de - spised His pre - cious Word And loved their earth - ly  
With - in the Book of Life I know My name has now been



point - ed. Then fright shall ban - ish i - dle mirth, And flames on  
wak - en. But all who live will in that hour, By God's al -  
dwell - ing, And ev - 'ry heart be clear - ly seen, And all be  
treas - ures! With shame and trem - bling they will stand And at the  
writ - ten. I will not doubt, for I am free, And Sa - tan



flames shall rav - age earth As Scrip - ture long has warned us.  
might - y, bound - less pow'r, Be changed at His com - mand - ing.  
known as they have been In thoughts and words and ac - tions.  
judg - e's stern com - mand To Sa - tan be de - liv - ered.  
can - not threat - en me; There is no con - dem - na - tion!

6 May Christ our intercessor be  
And through His blood and merit  
Read from His book that we are free  
With all who life inherit.  
Then we shall see Him face to face,  
With all His saints in that blest place  
Which He has purchased for us.

7 O Jesus Christ, do not delay,  
But hasten our salvation;  
We often tremble on our way  
In fear and tribulation.  
O hear and grant our fervent plea:  
Come, mighty judge, and set us free  
From death and ev'ry evil.

Text: Bartholomäus Ringwaldt, 1532–99; tr. Philip A. Peter, 1832–1919, alt.  
Tune: Geistliche Lieder auff's new gebessert, 1535, Wittenberg, ed. Joseph Klug

## Sermon

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## Offertory

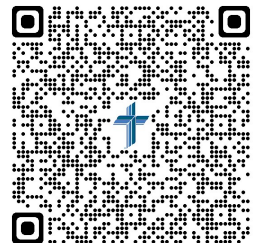
*Psalm 51:10-12; LSB 192*



**C** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

*Sit*

*(Traditionally, this is the time to collect offerings, instead there is an offering plate at the rear of the sanctuary. Other giving options are through the mail or online from our website's "Giving" link. (This QR code points there.)*



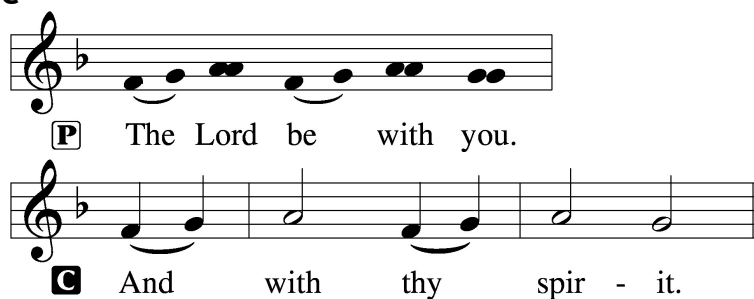
*Stand*

## Prayer of the Church

### +++Service of the Sacrament+++

## Preface

*LSB 194*



**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spir - it.

*2 Timothy 4:22*



**P** Lift up your hearts.

*[Colossians 3:1]*



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.

*[Psalm 136]*



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

## Proper Preface

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9; LSB 195*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

## Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9-13; LSB196*

- C** 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.

## The Words of Our Lord

*Matthew 26:26-28, Mark 14:22-24*

*Luke 22:19-20, 1 Corinthians 11:23-25; LSB 197*

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✝}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✝}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

*John 20:19*

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## Agnus Dei

*John 1:29; LSB 198*



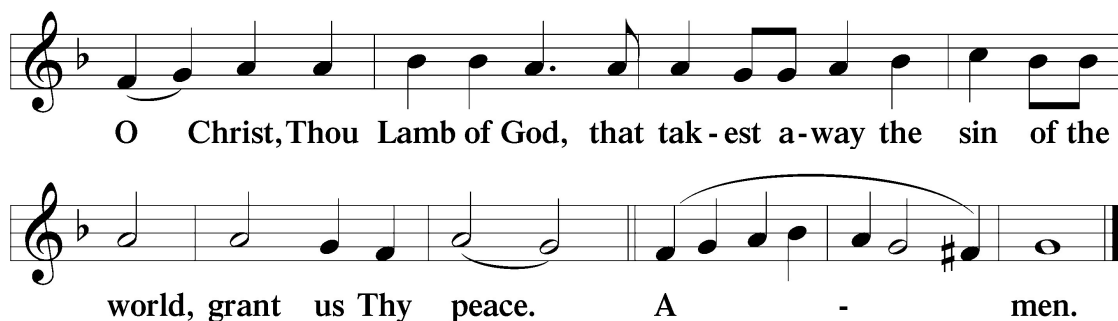
**C** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.



## Distribution

*Communicants are asked to hold open their hand to receive the bread so the elder may discern who is confirmed. Gluten-free wafers are available. Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center circle of individual cups for those who prefer it.*

## Distribution Hymns

The *Lutheran Service Book* is located in the basket underneath the chair in front of you.

**How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord**  
**What Is This Bread**

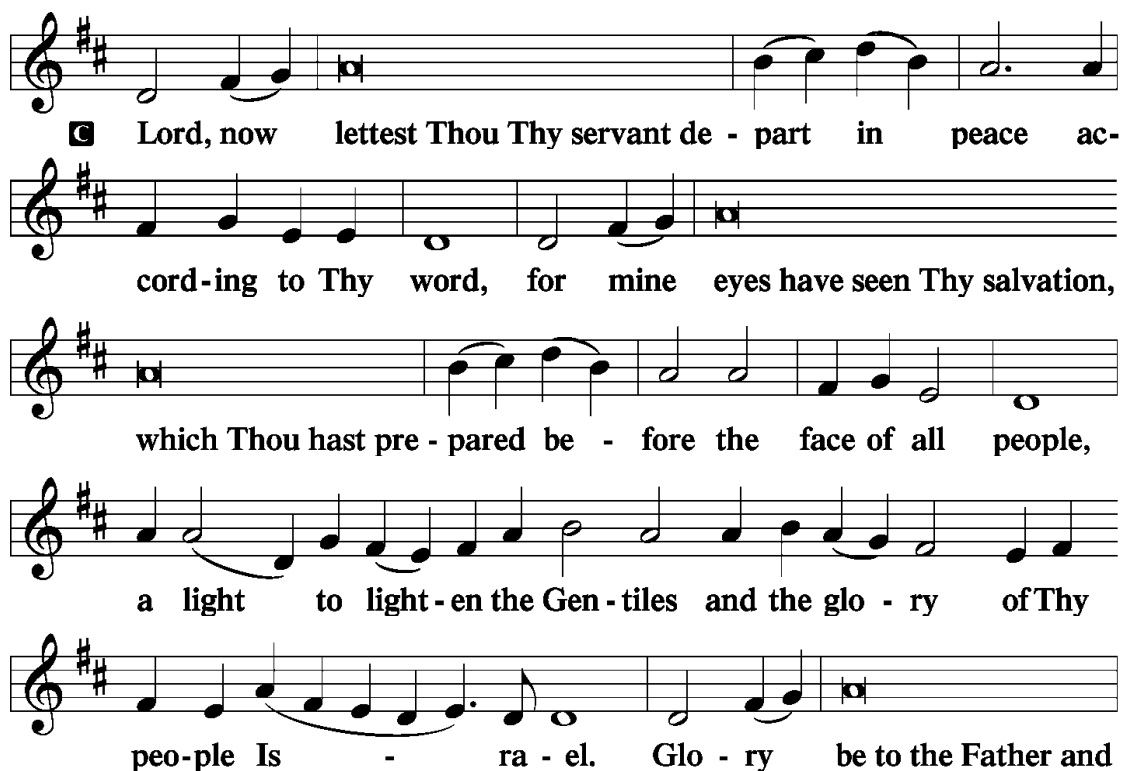
*LSB 853*

*LSB 629*

*Stand*

## Nunc Dimittis

*Luke 2:29-32; LSB 199*



to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

## Thanksgiving

*Psalm 107:1; LSB 200*

**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

## Post-Communion Collect

*LSB 201*

**P** Let us pray.  
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

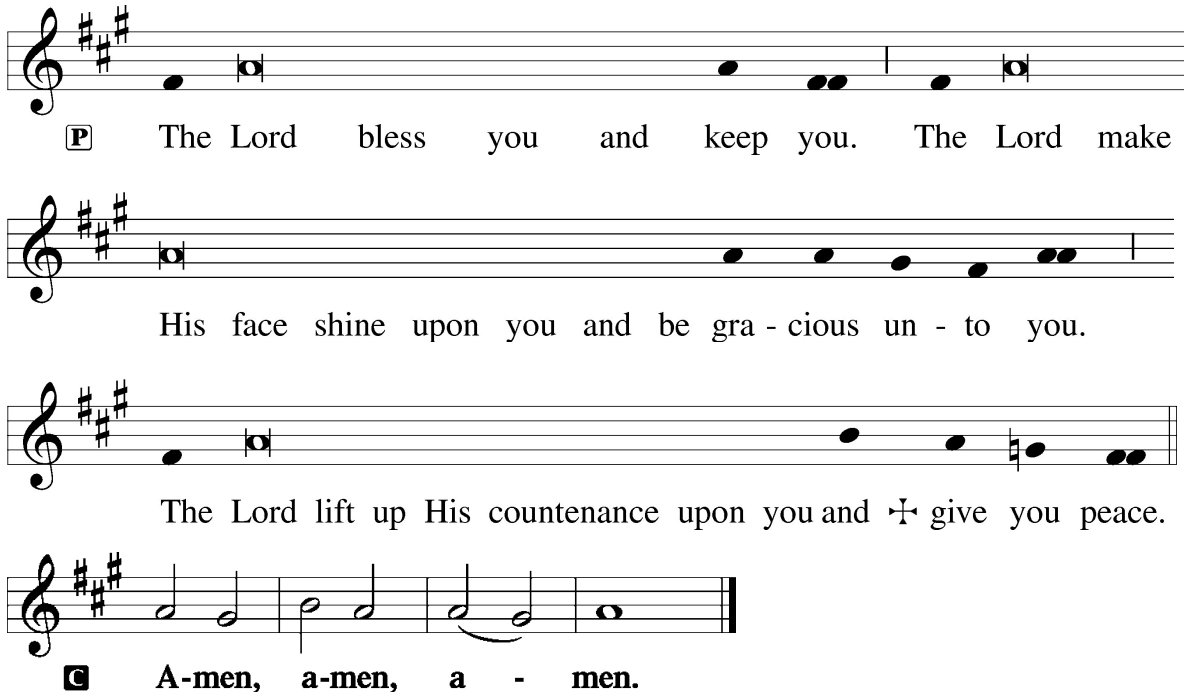
## Salutation and Benedicamus

*2 Timothy 4:22; Psalm 103:1*

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spir - it.  
**A** Bless we the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

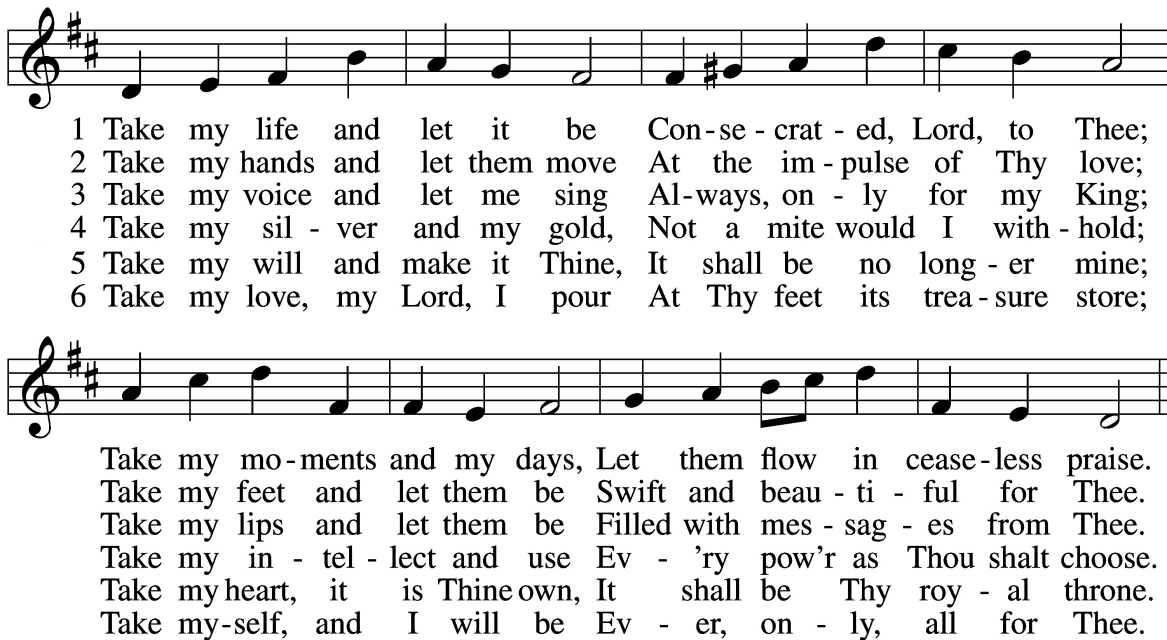


**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make  
His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.  
**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

## Recessional Hymn

“Take My Life and Let It Be”

LSB 783



1 Take my life and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee;  
2 Take my hands and let them move At the im - pulse of Thy love;  
3 Take my voice and let me sing Al-ways, on - ly for my King;  
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with - hold;  
5 Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no long - er mine;  
6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its trea - sure store;  
Take my mo - ments and my days, Let them flow in cease - less praise.  
Take my feet and let them be Swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.  
Take my lips and let them be Filled with mes - sag - es from Thee.  
Take my in - tel - lect and use Ev - 'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.  
Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy roy - al throne.  
Take my-self, and I will be Ev - er, on - ly, all for Thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–79  
Tune: William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

*Sit*

## Announcements

## Dismissal

- P** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

## Postlude

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An offering may be placed in the offering plate as you exit.

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## A Prayer after Worship

Almighty and merciful God, we have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for our many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. We thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep us in faith until we inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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## Sunday School - Children K - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Sunday school classes begin at 9:25 am in Room 116 for music. At 10:30 am parents may pick up K – 5th graders from Room 113.

## Jr IMPACT Bible Class

Students meet in Room 119 with Scott Peters for a study entitled "Images of the Church."

## Sr IMPACT Bible Class

Students meet in Room 122 with Catherine Borck for a study entitled "Face 2 Face" which discusses our relationship to others as Christians.

## Special Needs Bible Class

Students meet at 9:30 with Sandy Ehrett in the Library.

## Adult Bible Class

Pastor Shaltanis leads a study on the book *(Dis)ordered: Lies about Human Nature and the Truth That Sets Us Free* in the fellowship hall.

## Adult Bible Class Small Group Alternative

Karen Lund leads a study called, "Promise: God Is for Us" at 9:30 am in Room 115.

## Voters' Meeting December 3, 2023

Please plan to attend our semi-annual voters' meeting. Topics covered will be the budget, financial update and the state of the parish.



## E-Kids Giving Tree

Every year we collect names and wish lists from Expansion Mission Network church plants. These LCMS church plants are across our Metroplex area, connecting with the Hispanic community, and are able to see first-hand the families that are in need. This year, they have adopted families from apartment complexes in Dallas, Rockwall and Carrollton. If you would like to sponsor a child, please select a bear ornament from the tree and sign your name next to their name on the list.

### **Poinsettias Available for this Christmas Season**

Poinsettias are available to dedicate in “thanksgiving for” or “memory of” someone you designate, for \$12 each. You may then take a poinsettia home after Christmas. Please sign up in the narthex.

### **Epic Parenting Advent Adventures on December 3rd**

The Epic Parenting small group will be hosting an Advent party for families with young children on December 3rd at 4:30 p.m. in the Lord of Life fellowship hall. Join us for a potluck dinner, family devotion, and a Christmas themed craft for the kids. RSVP to Catherine Borck or Melanie Scarth.

### **Tony Hernandez is Retiring**

Tony has been Lord of Life’s full-time custodian and handyman for more than 15 years and is retiring in December. He has been a valuable colleague and dear friend, performing above and beyond normal expectations. As a “Thank You” we would like to present Tony with a cash gift from Lord of Life to show our sincere appreciation. Please consider contributing to this gift. Contributions can be made in the offering plate, online or directly to the office. Please note that it is for “Tony’s Retirement Gift.”

### **2024 Flower Chart is Available in the Narthex**

The flower chart consists of monthly pages in a “Flower” binder on a table in the narthex. Each monthly page has the Sundays listed with space for your name and the occasion you wish to recognize for each arrangement. A suggested donation of \$40 per Flower arrangement may be made when the occasion is near by placing a check in the offering plate with a “flowers” notation.

### **A Life Thought in the Church Year**

Many around us despair because the world pressures them into the violence and fraud (Zephaniah 1:9) of viewing death as a solution to difficulty. In the sanctity of every human life, we have riches to spare (Matthew 25:15). Gospel hope and joy are not just for us to possess. Jesus brings us faith and life to proclaim and put into practice.

### **CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE.org**

Study 1 Corinthians 4-6 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), hear a missionary update from the Helge family and the history of music in the Lutheran Church on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. CT), and study Mark 13-14 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT). Hear your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) and the KFUE Radio app!

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## Serving Our Worship Today:

Pastor:	Rev. Joel Shaltanis
Organist:	Linda Haupt
Duet:	Catherine Borck and Cecelia Paradise
Acolyte:	Ana Scarth, Margaret Duff
Altar Guild:	Susan Knowles, Beverly Moudy, Charis Bennett
Elders:	Tom Read, Mike Kunschke
Greeters:	Phaedra Shaltanis, Sue Parson
Ushers:	Sebastian Shaltanis, Alex Duff
Sound:	Russ Wilkerson, Nick Moudy

## This Week at Lord of Life-Today, Nov. 19, 2023

8:00 am	Early Worship Service
9:30 am	Children's Sunday School (K-5 <sup>th</sup> Gr, Room 113) Jr IMPACT Class (Room 119) Sr IMPACT Class (Room 122) Adult Bible Class (Fellowship Hall) Adult Bible Small Class (Room 115)
10:45 am	Late Worship Service

Wednesday, November 22

7:00 pm Thanksgiving Worship Service

Thursday & Friday, November 23-24

*Office Closed*



## Next Sunday's Readings November 26, 2023

Old Testament:	Ezek. 34:11-16, 20-24
Epistle:	1 Cor. 15:20-28
Gospel:	Matt. 25:31-46



The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God by Alex & Catharine Duff in loving memory of their grandparents; and by Al & Norma Martin in celebration of their anniversary.



Pentecost

**About the Cover:** Behold When the master returned, he expected that his property would have been used for its intended purpose. The third servant thought that storing it away was the safest form of management. However, it was given to be invested. Christ has given His Church His valuable Word, not to be stored away but invested in the lives of people. It will always accomplish its intended purpose because God's Word never comes back empty (see Isaiah 55:11). Jesus emptied Himself on the cross for our sake to bring us the richness of His forgiveness, life, and salvation.