

# **FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH**

*Missouri Synod*

## **The 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

November 10, 2024

Divine Service, Setting One – LSB 151

**8:00 & 10:30\*am, 5:00 pm**

\*livestreamed on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)



## **AS WE GATHER**

### **The Lord Freely Feeds and Provides for Us with Everything He Has**

Those who contribute “large sums” from “out of their abundance” have done very little. They cannot purchase God’s favor with their money. But the “poor widow” with her two small coins, who “out of her poverty has put in everything she had,” entrusts herself and her life to the mercy of God (Mark 12:41–44). Such faith is not disappointed, for the Lord is faithful, and He provides for His people by His grace. Thus was the poor widow of Zarephath able to feed the prophet Elijah “for many days,” as well as herself and her household, “according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah” (1 Kings 17:15–16).

He feeds us, too, by His Word, not only with daily bread for this body and life, but unto the life everlasting in Christ Jesus. “By the sacrifice of himself,” by the giving of His body and life and all that He had, He has entered “into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf” (Heb. 9:24–26). He is our great High Priest and the Temple of God, as well as the priestly food with which He feeds us.

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# ✠ ✠ ✠ GATHERING ✠ ✠ ✠

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC – *Prelude on a theme of Gustav Holst: Thaxted* (Charles Callahan)

## HYMN OF INVOCATION – LSB 801 – How Great Thou Art



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won - der Con - sid - er  
2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the  
3 But when I think that God, His Son not spar - ing, Sent Him to  
4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me



all the works Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might - y  
birds sing sweet - ly in the trees; When I look down from loft - y moun - tain  
die, I scarce can take it in— That on the cross my bur - den glad - ly  
home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



thun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played;  
gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;  
bear - ing He bled and died to take a - way my sin;  
ra - tion And there pro - claim: "My God, how great Thou art!"



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to Thee, How great Thou



art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

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## INVOCATION

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

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*(silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination)*

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

## ✠ ✠ ✠ WORD ✠ ✠ ✠

**INTROIT – Psalm 107:1-2, 41-42; antiphon: v. 8**

*The congregation sings all.*



Let them thank the Lord for His | steadfast love,  
for His wondrous works to the child- | ren of men!  
Oh give thanks to the Lord, for | He is good,\*  
for His steadfast love endures for- | ever!  
Let the redeemed of the Lord | say so,\*  
whom He has redeemed from | trouble.  
He raises up the needy out of af- | fliction\*  
and makes their families | like flocks.  
The upright see it | and are glad,\*  
and all wickedness | shuts its mouth.  
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
and to the Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.  
Let them thank the Lord for His | steadfast love,  
for His wondrous works to the child- | ren of men!

**KYRIE – Lord, Have Mercy – Mark 10:47**

**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.**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS – Luke 2:14; John 1:29**

**P** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



**C** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

### SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** ...one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

### OLD TESTAMENT – 1 Kings 17:8-16 – The widow of Zarephath

<sup>8</sup>Then the word of the Lord came to [Elijah], <sup>9</sup>“Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” <sup>10</sup>So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.” <sup>11</sup>And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” <sup>12</sup>And she said, “As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die.” <sup>13</sup>And Elijah said to her, “Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. <sup>14</sup>For thus says the Lord the God of Israel, ‘The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the Lord sends rain upon the earth.’” <sup>15</sup>And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. <sup>16</sup>The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.



## GRADUAL – Revelation 7:14, Psalm 84:5

The congregation joins in singing the portion in **bold type**.

These \_\_\_ are

they who have come out of the great trib - u - la - tion;

they have washed their robes and made them white \_\_\_

\_\_\_ in the blood of the Lamb. \_\_\_

**Bless - ed** are those whose strength is in

you, **bless-ed** are those whose strength is in you.

who have set their hearts on pil-grim-age. \_\_\_

The **Gradual** for the final Sundays of the Church Year uses imagery from the Revelation to St. John and the Book of Psalms to turn our attention to the end times. As the days grow shorter and colder with the approach of winter, we are surrounded by reminders of our own mortality. But God promises us His strength for our journey and renews our souls with the promise of the crown of life in the glory of the world to come.

## EPISTLE – Hebrews 9:24-28 – Christ, the sacrifice once for all

<sup>24</sup>For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. <sup>25</sup>Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, <sup>26</sup>for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. <sup>27</sup>And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, <sup>28</sup>so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## ALLELUIA and COMMON VERSE – *John 6:68*



**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## HOLY GOSPEL – **Mark 12:38-44** – The widow's offering

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the twelfth chapter.




**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>38</sup>In his teaching [Jesus] said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and like greetings in the marketplaces <sup>39</sup>and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, <sup>40</sup>who devour widows’ houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”

<sup>41</sup>And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. <sup>42</sup>And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. <sup>43</sup>And he called his disciples to him and said to them, “Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. <sup>44</sup>For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

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



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## 8:00 am – CHILDREN'S MESSAGE



## HYMN OF THE DAY – LSB 738 – Lord of All Hopefulness



1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,  
2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,  
3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,  
4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



Whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy:  
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:  
Your hands swift to wel - come, Your arms to em - brace:  
Whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm:



Be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,  
Be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,  
Be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,  
Be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,



Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.  
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.  
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.  
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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## SERMON – *The Widow's Mite* – Mark 12:38-44

### 8:00 am – APOSTLES' CREED

**C** 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.**



10:30 am & 5:00 pm – NICENE CREED

**C** 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.

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**A** Lord, in your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**A** ...one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**OFFERING** – *Meditation on Terra Beata* (Charles Callahan)

**OFFERTORY** – **LSB 159** – *Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19*



**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will

call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-

va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

**8:00 am** – Continues with the **Lord's Prayer** (*page 11*) and concludes with the **Benediction and Hymn to Depart** (*pages 14-15*).

✠ ✠ ✠ **SACRAMENT** ✠ ✠ ✠  
beginning at LSB 160

**PREFACE**

- 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 Him thanks and praise.
- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary ...evermore praising You and singing:

**SANCTUS – LSB 161**



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

**For Guests and Visitors Desiring the Sacrament**

As a congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, we confess, in accord with the Scriptures, that **in this sacred meal Jesus Himself is truly present to forgive our sin and strengthen our faith.**

Participation in this meal indicates that you **believe, have been baptized, and have been taught** according to our Lord's command **and are in doctrinal agreement** with this confession.

- **If you are visiting from outside the Lutheran Church or are new to the faith,** we welcome you to come to the altar with arms crossed to receive a blessing.
- **If you desire to receive instruction for the Lord's Supper,** please speak with one of our pastors.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth ... one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## LORD'S PRAYER

**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.

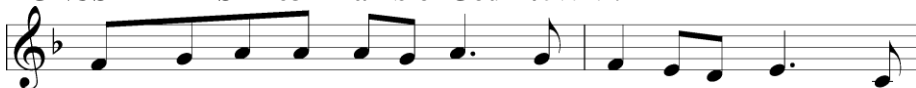
## WORDS OF OUR LORD

### PAX DOMINI – The Peace of the Lord – *John 20:19*

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

**C** Amen.

### AGNUS DEI – LSB 163 – Lamb of God – *John 1:29*



**C** Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.



## DISTRIBUTION

### LSB 637 – Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord



1 Draw near and take the bod - y of the Lord,  
2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields,  
3 Come for - ward then with faith - ful hearts sin - cere,



And drink the ho - ly blood for you out - poured;  
To all be - liev - ers life e - ter - nal yields;  
And take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here.



Of - fered was He for great - est and for least,  
With heav'n - ly bread He makes the hun - gry whole,  
O Lord, our hearts with grate - ful thanks en - dow



Him - self the vic - tim and Him - self the priest.  
Gives liv - ing wa - ters to the thirst - ing soul.  
As in this feast of love You bless us now.

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### LSB 641 – You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

*Refrain*



You sat-is-fy the hun-gry heart With gift of fin-est wheat.



Come give to us, O sav-ing Lord, The bread of life to eat.



1 As when the shep - herd calls his sheep, They know and  
2 With joy - ful lips we sing to You Our praise and  
3 Is not the cup we bless and share The blood of  
4 The mys - t'ry of Your pres - ence, Lord, No mor - tal  
5 You give Your - self to us, O Lord; Then self - less

#### Distribution Notes:

If you need **gluten-free wafers**, please let one of the pastors know.

**Non-alcoholic** grape juice, containing a *trace amount of wine*, is available in the center of the tray.



heed his voice; So when You call Your  
 grat - i - tude That You should count us  
 Christ out - poured? Do not one cup, one  
 tongue can tell: Whom all the world can -  
 let us be, To serve each oth - er



*Refrain*

fam - 'ly, Lord, We fol - low and re - jice.  
 wor - thy, Lord, To share this heav'n - ly food.  
 loaf, de - clare Our one - ness in the Lord?  
 not con - tain Comes in our hearts to dwell.  
 in Your name In truth and char - i - ty.

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### LSB 732 –All Depends on our Possessing



1 All de - pends on our pos - sess - ing God's a - bun - dant  
 2 He who to this day has fed me And to man - y  
 3 Man - y spend their lives in fret - ting O - ver tri - fles  
 4 When with sor - row I am strick - en, Hope a - new my



grace and bless - ing, Though all earth - ly wealth de - part.  
 joys has led me Is and ev - er shall be mine.  
 and in get - ting Things that have no sol - id ground.  
 heart will quick - en; All my long - ing shall be stilled.



They who trust with faith un - shak - en By their God are  
 He who ev - er gent - ly schools me, He who dai - ly  
 I shall strive to win a trea - sure That will bring me  
 To His lov - ing - kind - ness ten - der Soul and bod - y



not for - sak - en And will keep a daunt - less heart.  
 guides and rules me Will re - main my help di - vine.  
 last - ing plea - sure And that now is sel - dom found.  
 I sur - ren - der, For on God a - lone I build.

5 Well He knows what best to grant me;  
All the longing hopes that haunt me,  
Joy and sorrow, have their day.  
I shall doubt His wisdom never;  
As God wills, so be it ever;  
I commit to Him my way.

6 If my days on earth He lengthen,  
God my weary soul will strengthen;  
All my trust in Him I place.  
Earthly wealth is not abiding,  
Like a stream away is gliding;  
Safe I anchor in His grace.

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### POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE – LSB 164 – Thank the Lord



### POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- P** Let us pray... one God, now and forever.  
**C** Amen.

### BENEDICTION – Numbers 6:24-26

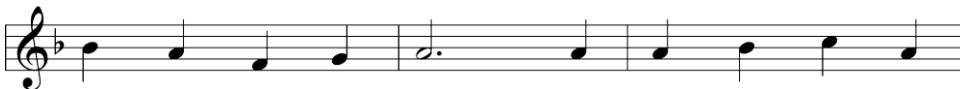
- P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.  
**C** Amen.



## HYMN TO DEPART – LSB 787 – The Temple Rang with Golden Coins



1 The tem - ple rang with gold - en coins The  
2 A wid - ow came with cop - per coins And  
3 When Je - sus saw her cost - ly gift And  
4 At last He brought His of - fer - ing And  
5 Lord, help us all, with You, to yield What -



rich in bright ar - ray Con - trib - ut - ed from  
of - fered them in praise. They were the last she  
knew she had no more, He praised a love that  
laid it on a tree; There gave Him - self, His  
ev - er love de - mands And free - ly give, as



gleam - ing hoards Their scales could scarce - ly weigh.  
had to give Or save for dark - er days.  
spared not self And called her rich, though poor.  
life, His love For all hu - man - i - ty.  
You have giv'n, With o - pen hearts and hands.

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## SILENT PRAYER / ANNOUNCEMENTS

**POST-SERVICE MUSIC** – *Little Preludes and Intermezzos, Op. 9, No 6 “Poco vivace”*  
(Hermann Schroeder)



Many thanks to *Jaime Carini* for serving as our  
guest organist today.



## TODAY – Subscriptions DUE for *The Lutheran Witness*



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Payment of \$24 may be in the form of cash (in an envelope with your name and *Lutheran Witness*) or check made payable to Faith Lutheran Church (with *Lutheran Witness* in the memo line) by Thanksgiving.

**Tuesday, November 12** *Circuit Pastors meet*

- 2:00pm **Quilting** (*kitchen*)
- 5:15pm **First Steps in Music** (ages 0-5)
- 5:30pm **School Board**
- 6:30pm **PPC**

**Wednesday, November 13**

- 10:00am **Men's & Women's Bible studies**
- 11:15am **FINAL Lunch & Learn**: *Connection Between Nature and Mental Health*
- 5:45pm **Children's Ministry Team**
- 7:00pm **Senior Choir**



**Friday, November 15** [Hoosiers Against Hunger Charity Dinner and Recital](#) (ULu)  
Support *Generosity Feeds* through your attendance and free-will donation at this event. Please RSVP to help so they know how much food to prepare.

- 6:00pm **Dinner** (*ULu fellowship hall/basement*)
- 7:00pm **Recital** (*ULu sanctuary*) by Jacobs' students and community musicians

**Saturday, November 16**

- 10:00am **Altar Guild annual meeting** for returning and prospective members (*men and women*)  
Altar Guild members serve a vital role behind the scenes, but with minimal time commitment over the course of the year. **Come THIS Saturday** morning to learn more, or talk with *Deanie Bently* (812-330-0328 or [cdbently@att.net](mailto:cdbently@att.net)) or one of the *pastors*.

**Sunday, November 17**

- 6:00pm **FLY** (FLYsgiving)

**Thursday, November 21**

- 11:30am **JOY Group to Bedford** (*Golden Corral, Christmas Store, Ollie's and Beall's*)

**Wednesday, November 27**

- 7:00pm **Thanksgiving Eve worship**

**Tuesdays: December 3, 10, 17, 24**

[Salvation Army Bell-ringing](#)



Faith will once again ring for Salvation Army at *Kroger East* each Tuesday between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

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