## 25TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, NOVEMBER 10TH, 2024

PRELUDE: "As Saints of Old" R. Hobby

### WELCOME

### BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity,  $\pm$  one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

### Amen.

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing. Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.

The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes.

In our desire to be first

we make distinctions among ourselves.

We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.

In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.

Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### Amen.

God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

#### Amen.

# GATHERING SONG: ELW 695 "As Saints of Old"



- 1 As saints of old their first-fruits brought of or chard, flock, and field
- 2 A world in need now sum-mons us to la bor, love, and give;
- 3 In grat i tude and hum-ble trust we bring our best to day



- to God, the giv er of all good, the source of boun-teous yield, to make our life an of fer ing to God, that all may live.
- to serve your cause and share your love with all a long life's way.



so we to - day first - fruits would bring, the wealth of this good land, The church of Christ is call - ing us to make the dream come true:

O God, who gave your - self to us in Je - sus Christ your Son,



of farm and mar - ket, shop and home, of mind and heart and hand. a world re-deemed by Christ-like love; all life in Christ made new. teach us to give our - selves each day un - til life's work is done.

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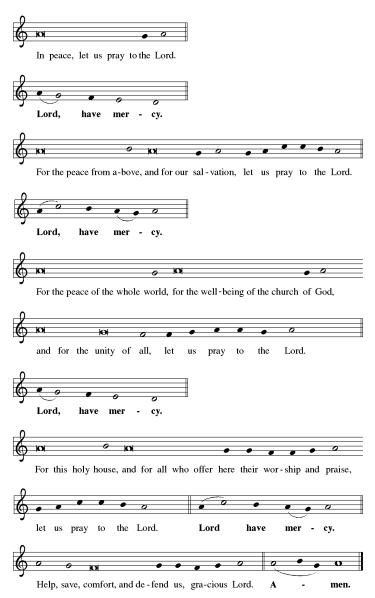
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## **GREETING** – Pastor

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 

### **KYRIE ELW PG 147**



# PRAYER OF THE DAY (Assisting Minister)

Let us pray. (A brief silence is kept before the prayer.)

O God, you show forth your almighty power chiefly by reaching out to us in mercy. Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in the treasures that come through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

Say: You may be seated.

# FIRST READING: 1 Kings 17:8-16

A reading from 1 Kings.

8 The word of the Lord came to [Elijah,] saying, 9 "Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." 10 So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." 11 As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." 12 But she said, "As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." 13 Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. 14 For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth." 15 She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. 16 The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

**PSALM: Psalm 146** 



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#### **Psalm 146**

<sup>1</sup> Hal- | lelujah!

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

<sup>2</sup> I will praise the Lord as long | as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

<sup>3</sup> Put not your | trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there | is no help.

- <sup>4</sup> When they breathe their last, they re- | turn to earth, and in that day | their thoughts perish.
- <sup>5</sup> Happy are they who have the God of Jacob | for their help, whose hope is in the | Lord their God;
- <sup>6</sup> who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that <sup>|</sup> is in them; who keeps promis- <sup>|</sup> es forever;
- <sup>7</sup> who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to | those who hunger. The Lord sets the | captive free.
- <sup>8</sup> The Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who <sup>1</sup> are bowed down;

the Lord | loves the righteous.

<sup>9</sup> The Lord cares | for the stranger;

the Lord sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

<sup>10</sup> The Lord shall | reign forever,

your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. | Hallelujah!

# **SECOND READING:** Hebrews 9:24-28

A reading from Hebrews.

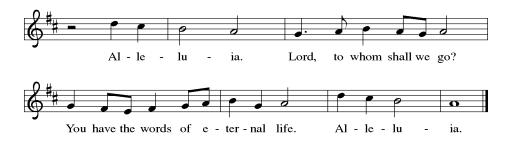
<sup>24</sup> Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. <sup>25</sup> Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; <sup>26</sup> for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. <sup>27</sup> And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the 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.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

The congregation rises to welcome the gospel.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW PG 151**



**GOSPEL:** Mark 12:38-44

The holy gospel according to Mark.

# Glory to you, O Lord.

38 As [Jesus] taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, 39 and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! 40 They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation." 41 He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. 42 A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. 43 Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. 44 For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

The gospel of the Lord.

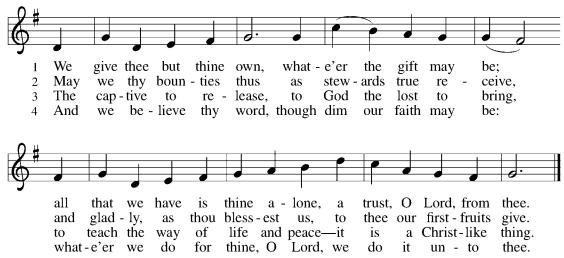
Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

CHILDRENS SERMON

**SERMON** 

### HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 686 "We Give Thee but Thine Own"



Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, L. Mason and G. Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

### **APOSTLES' CREED**

With one voice, in unity with the church catholic, let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

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

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.

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. **Amen**.

#### THE PRAYERS

Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation.

Renew your church, O God. Make us servants to one another for the sake of the gospel. Instill a heart for service and a passion for justice in our bishops, deacons, pastors, and lay leaders. Today we especially pray for Feast of Victory Lutheran Church in Acme and for their Rev. Haley Vay Beaman. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Renew your creation, O God. Sustain the earth and seas and all that is in them. Kindle in us a reverent awe for all creatures great and small, and strengthen us in our pursuit of climate justice. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Renew the nations, O God. Heal our nation's veterans from the unseen wounds of war. Tend to their trauma and soothe burdened consciences. Guide leaders of the world to end conflicts (*current places of war and conflict may be named*) and pursue peace. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Renew your people, O God. Protect those in our communities who are vulnerable or ill (*see prayer list in the bulletin*). Accompany persons who are unemployed or underemployed, children who are in foster care, and those who live alone. Watch over and uphold them. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Renew this congregation, O God. Give us clarity in our mission and boldness in our witness. Bless our ministries that attend to basic needs of any who lack sufficient resources, that all may live with dignity. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Happy are those whose help was in you. We give thanks for all your faithful ones who praised you as their God all their life long. As we eagerly wait for you, inspire us by their lives of service. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

#### Amen.

#### **PEACE**

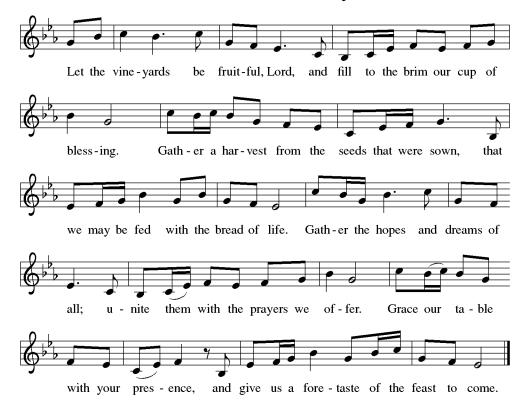
The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Say: "We invite you to share a sign of Christ's peace with one another."

### **OFFERING**

# OFFERTORY ELW 184 "Let The Vineyards"



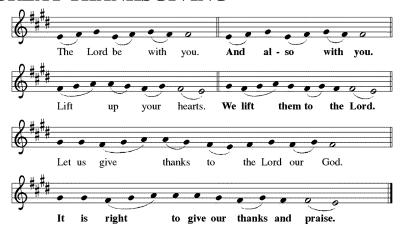
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# **OFFERING PRAYER** (Assisting Minister)

Let us pray. (A brief silence.)

Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup, you offered yourself in love for the world, and in this meal you nourish us with your life. Fill us with your abundance, that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger, trusting in your name. **Amen.** 

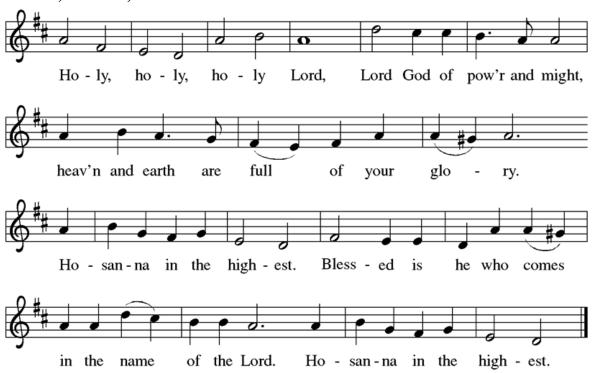
# **GREAT THANKSGIVING**



## **PREFACE**



# HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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 Father, with the Holy Spirit,

in your holy Church,

both now and forever. Amen

### LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

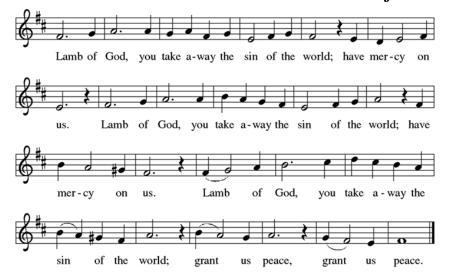
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus welcomes you to this table and at Christ's table, all are truly welcome! Come, here is your God.

The assembly may be seated.

# COMMUNION SONG ELW PG 154 "Lamb of God"



## COMMUNION HYMN ELW 638 "Blessed Assurance"

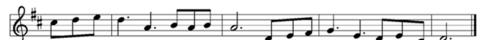


- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
- 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
   3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood. an - gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love. watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.





this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915 Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908

### **CONGREGATION WILL REMAIN SEATED.**

# **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** (Assisting Minister)

Let us pray. (A brief silence.)

Faithful God,

you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink in the body and blood of your Son.

Now send us out to labor with you, in service to the world you have made, and among the people you have made your home, in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **SENDING**

The congregation stands to receive the blessing.

### **BLESSING**

The Ancient One, enthroned, the Crucified One, now risen, the Indwelling One, poured out, + bless you now and forever. **Amen.** 



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# **DISMISSAL**

The <u>presiding minister</u> sends the assembly into mission.

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Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: "Promised Land" J. Carter

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