# 23rd Sunday after Pentecost November 16, 2025 Lord of Life Lutheran Church

# **WELCOME**

# **GATHERING HYMN**

Be Thou My Vision



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# **GREETING**

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.

# **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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

Amen.

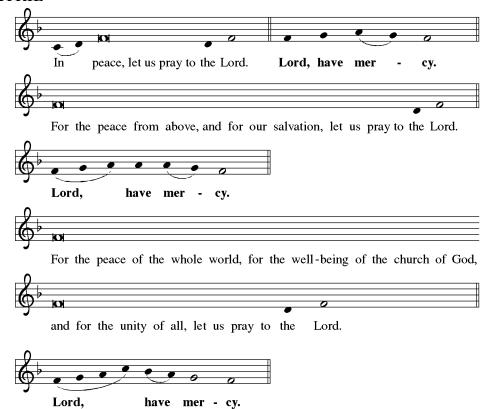
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Faithful God.

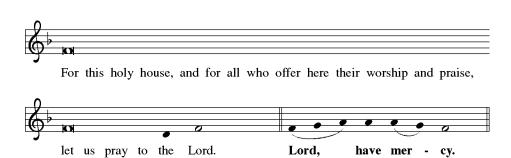
you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. Amen.

Hear the good news: God the Faithful One loves you, in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.

Amen.









# **HYMN OF PRAISE**





# PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

# **CHILDREN'S SERMON**





- <sup>1</sup> Sing a new song to the Lord, who has done | marvelous things, whose right hand and holy arm have | won the victory.
- <sup>2</sup>O Lord, you have made | known your victory, you have revealed your righteousness in the sight | of the nations.
- <sup>3</sup> You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the | house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the victory | of our God.
- <sup>4</sup> Shout with joy to the Lord, | all you lands; lift up your voice, re-| joice, and sing. R

- <sup>5</sup> Sing to the Lord | with the harp, with the harp and the | voice of song.
- <sup>6</sup> With trumpets and the sound | of the horn shout with joy before the | king, the Lord.
- <sup>7</sup> Let the sea roar, and | all that fills it, the world and those who | dwell therein.
- $^{8}$  Let the rivers  $^{\dagger}$  clap their hands,

and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, who comes to | judge the earth.

<sup>9</sup> The Lord will judge the | world with righteousness and the peo- | ples with equity. **R** 

# SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 65:17-25

<sup>17</sup> For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth:

the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

<sup>18</sup> But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating,

for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy

and its people as a delight.

<sup>19</sup>I will rejoice in Jerusalem and delight in my people;

no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it

or the cry of distress.

<sup>20</sup> No more shall there be in it

an infant who lives but a few days

or an old person who does not live out a lifetime,

for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,

and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

<sup>21</sup> They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

<sup>22</sup> They shall not build and another inhabit;

they shall not plant and another eat,

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,

and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

<sup>23</sup> They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity,

for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—

and their descendants as well.

<sup>24</sup>Before they call I will answer,

while they are yet speaking I will hear.

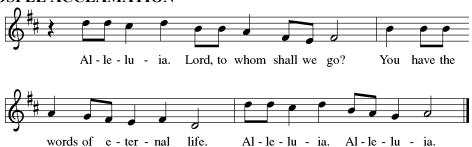
<sup>25</sup> The wolf and the lamb shall feed together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox,

but the serpent—its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy

on all my holy mountain, says the Lord

# **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



#### THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 21:5-19

<sup>5</sup> When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, <sup>6</sup> "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

<sup>7</sup> They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" <sup>8</sup> And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray, for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

<sup>9</sup> "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." <sup>10</sup> Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; <sup>11</sup> there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

<sup>12</sup> "But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. <sup>13</sup> This will give you an opportunity to testify. <sup>14</sup> So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, <sup>15</sup> for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. <sup>16</sup> You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. <sup>17</sup> You will be hated by all because of my name. <sup>18</sup> But not a hair of your head will perish. <sup>19</sup> By your endurance you will gain your souls."

#### **SERMON**

**MUSICAL OFFERING** 

Suzanne Bowen

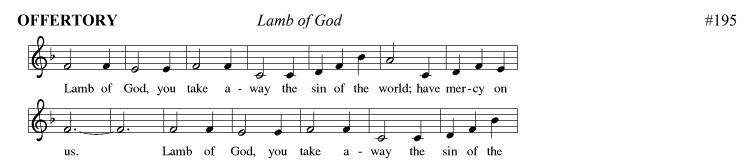
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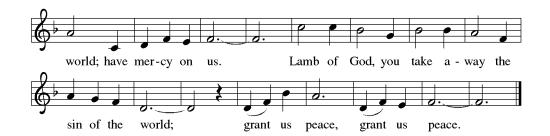
When Our Song Says Peace

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#### THE PRAYERS

#### SHARING OF THE PEACE





# **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

# WORDS OF INSTITUTION

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread; forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil;

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

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# **COMMUNION BLESSING**

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SENDING HYMN** 

Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways

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# THE BLESSING

May you remember that you are loved!

# **SENDING**

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord

Thanks be to God!

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