



**Twenty-third Sunday of Pentecost**

**Sunday, November 16, 2025**

**Advent Lutheran Church**

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## ADVENT LUTHERAN CHURCH WELCOME STATEMENT

Advent Lutheran Church of Goschenhoppen, a welcoming community of God, believes ALL people are made in God's image and boundless love and ALL are valued equally within our congregation. We are empowered by God through faith to nurture and celebrate the vast diversity among individuals – single, married, partnered, divorced – embrace their uniqueness in all aspects of life including race, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expressions, physical or mental abilities, socioeconomic backgrounds and age. We at Advent, affirm and welcome you to share life with us and participate in God's ministry statement.

**WELCOME FRIENDS AND GUESTS** If you are a guest, we ask that you please sign our visitor register located on the table in the Narthex, and help yourself to one of the Welcome Bags. Please come back and worship with us.

**LITURGY.** Hymns can be found in the Evangelical Lutheran Worship book - our red hymnal in the pew rack, or placed under the chairs.

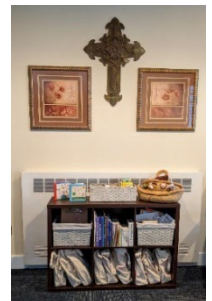
*\* indicates, please stand, as you are able.*

**MASKS** - Masks are optional. Love your neighbor.



### WE LOVE CHILDREN IN WORSHIP!

- Worship activities are located in the narthex cubbies.
- A staffed nursery is available for infants through age 6. The nursery is the last door on the right.
- Children's Church (kindergarten-5th) grade begins after the children's sermon. Children will return to worship during the passing of the peace.



**FOR EVERYONE:** Join us for fellowship following worship! All are welcome.

**\*\* Members, please remember to check your mailboxes today \*\***



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### Prelude

*Prepare your hearts for worship in a quiet time and space during the prelude.*

## GATHERING

### \*Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper. **Amen.**

P: Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.*

Merciful God,

**we are your imperfect people.**

**Too often we trample on the needy.**

**We grumble about your grace to others.**

**We turn away from too many who are poor.**

**Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.**

**Rejoice over us as ones who were lost  
and have been found.**

**Amen.**

P: Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of ✝ Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

**C: Amen.**

### \*Gathering Hymn

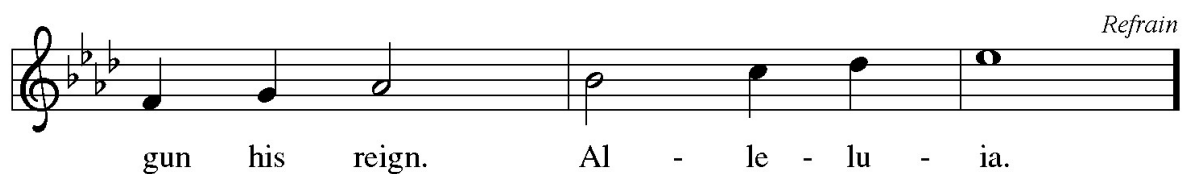
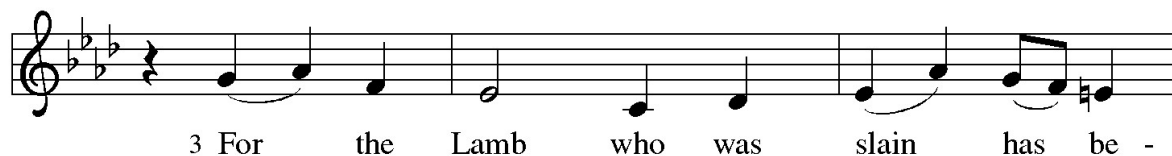
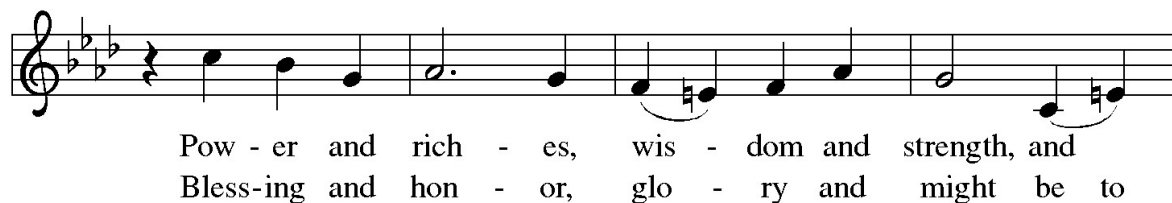
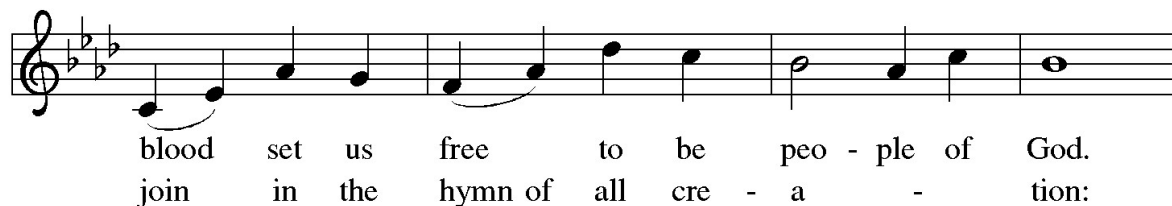
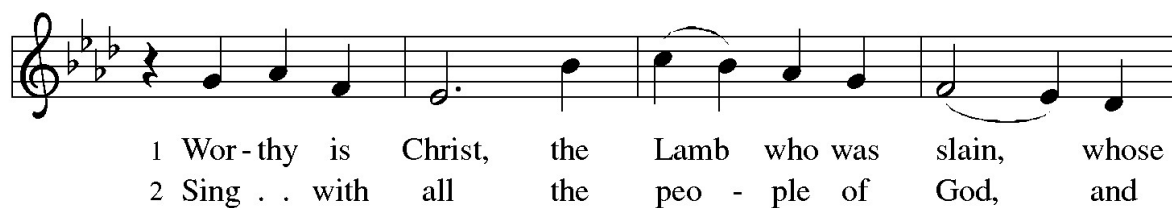
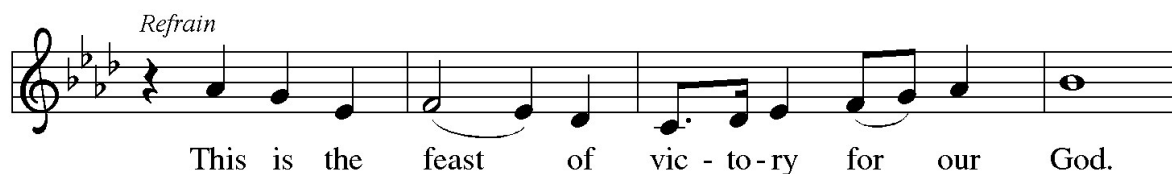
*On Jordan's Stormy Bank I Stand*

Hymn #437

### \*Greeting

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

## \*The Feast



**\*Prayer of the Day**

A: The Lord be with you

**C: And also with you.**

A: Let us pray...

**C: 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.**

**WORD**

**Psalm 98**

<sup>1</sup> Sing a new song to the Lord, who has done <sup>1</sup> marvelous things,  
whose right hand and holy arm have <sup>1</sup> won the victory.

<sup>2</sup> **O Lord you have made <sup>1</sup> known your victory,  
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight <sup>1</sup> of the nations.**

<sup>3</sup> You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the <sup>1</sup> house of Israel;  
all the ends of the earth have seen the victory <sup>1</sup> of our God.

<sup>4</sup> **Shout with joy to the Lord <sup>1</sup> all you lands;  
lift up your voice, re- <sup>1</sup> joice and sing. R**

<sup>5</sup> Sing to the Lord <sup>1</sup> with the harp,  
with the harp and the <sup>1</sup> voice of song.

<sup>6</sup> **With trumpets and the sound <sup>1</sup> of the horn  
shout with joy before the <sup>1</sup> king, the Lord.**

<sup>7</sup> Let the sea roar and <sup>1</sup> all that fills it,  
the world and those who <sup>1</sup> dwell therein.

<sup>8</sup> **Let the rivers <sup>1</sup> clap their hands,  
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, who comes to <sup>1</sup> judge the earth.**

<sup>9</sup> The Lord will judge the <sup>1</sup> world with righteousness  
and the peo- <sup>1</sup> ples with equity. R

**First Lesson: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13**

<sup>6</sup> Now we command you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from every brother or sister living irresponsibly and not according to the tradition that they received from us. <sup>7</sup> For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not irresponsible when we were with you, <sup>8</sup> and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day so that we might not burden any of you. <sup>9</sup> This was not because we do not have that right but in order to give you an example to imitate. <sup>10</sup> For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: anyone unwilling to work should not eat. <sup>11</sup> For we hear that some of you are living

irresponsibly, mere busybodies, not doing any work. <sup>12</sup> Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. <sup>13</sup> Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

**\*Gospel Acclamation**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Repeat alleluia*

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 21<sup>st</sup> chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

**\*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.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

### **Children’s Sermon**

*Pastor Mark*

*Children ages kindergarten-5th grade are dismissed for Children's Church*

### **Sermon**

*Pastor Mark*

**\*Hymn of the Day**                      *O God of Love, O King of Peace*

Hymn #749

*(11:00, v.3 – Choir)*

### **\*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**

### **\*The Peace**

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

C: And also with you.

**Offertory**

*Soon and Very Soon*

Hymn#439

**\*Offertory Prayer**

A: Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. In your generosity, multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

**\*Communion Liturgy**

*P: Those of you worshiping with us online are invited to share communion with us. I invite you to have your bread and your wine or grape juice before you as we gather to receive communion. What we share is not a private ceremony, but an act of worship within this community gathered by a God who transcends time and space. It is “for you” – Christ promises to be there for you. Trust that. And this sacrament is also for all people; we celebrate in the assembly. We are one community in worship.*

**\*Dialog**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

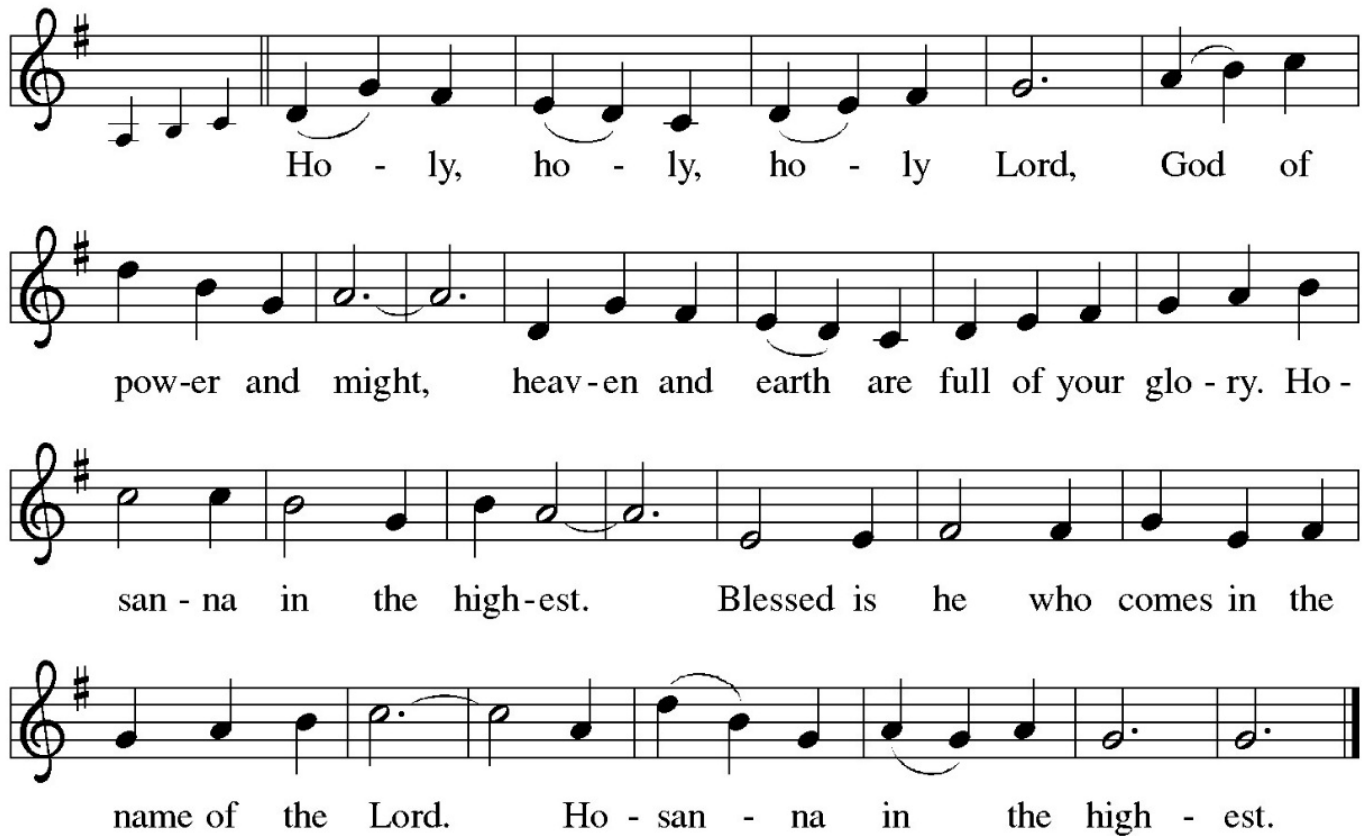
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give you thanks and praise.**

**\*Preface** It is indeed right... ....join their unending hymn:



### \*Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### \*Thanksgiving at the Table

#### \*Lord's Prayer

P: As people of God in this time and place, we use the language of today as we pray the prayer Jesus taught us.

**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**

P: Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come to this meal of mercy. Come, not because you are perfect, but because you are forgiven.

## \*Lamb of God

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, grant us peace.

## Communion

*Those worshipping in-person are invited to come forward as the ushers direct you. You may receive bread and dip it into the wine or grape juice; or you may pick up one of the sealed wafer/grape juice packets or a sealed gluten free wafer and hear the words of promise before returning to your seat to open it.*

*Those worshipping online are invited to use your own bread and wine or grape juice at this time, saying to each other, or to yourself, "The body of Christ given for you," and "The blood of Christ shed for you." For all of us, Christ promises to be present in, with, and under the bread and wine/juice.*

*Children who have not yet received their first communion may come forward (in person) for a blessing, or someone in the room (worshipping online) may pause to provide that blessing, saying "Remember, God loves you" or "You are a beloved child of God."*

**Communion Hymn:**

*Abide with Me*

Hymn# 629

## **Post Communion Blessing**

P: Now may the body and blood of our savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's Grace.

**C: Amen.**

## **Post Communion Prayer**

A: O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to be generous with our possessions, caring for those who are in need. We ask this in Jesus' name.

**C: Amen.**

## **SENDING**

### **Announcements**

#### **\*Benediction**

P: The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the captives free, ✠ bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**\*Sending Hymn:**                      *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*                      Hymn #632

#### **\*Dismissal**

A: Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

**C: Saved by God's Grace, Renewed through Word and Sacrament, We are Sent as Disciples to Share the Gospel of Jesus. Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

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