



Faith Lutheran Church

**We warmly greet members
and visitors in Jesus' name!**

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

All Saints Sunday

November 6, 2022, 8:00 A.M. & 10:15 A.M.



In holy baptism God makes saints out of sinners. In holy communion God forgives the sins of all the saints. In worship today we give thanks for all the saints "who from their labors rest." In the same breath we petition our God for the strength to hear and to heed the admonitions of Jesus in today's gospel. Sealed by the Spirit and sustained by the Savior's body and blood, we live with joy as God gives us breath, to the praise of God's glory.

Welcome to worship at Faith Lutheran Church!
Gathered faithfully to love and serve God and all others.

All the baptized are invited to the celebration of Holy Communion, trusting that Christ is present in this Sacrament for the forgiveness of our sin and the strengthening of our faith.



The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
on November 6
by Ann and Mark Greenwood
in honor of all the members
of Faith Lutheran Church



Thank You for Serving Today:

Presiding Ministers:

Rev. Eric Olaf Olsen

Rev. Larry Wright

Guest Preacher:

Rev. Ana Lugo, ELCA Foundation

and Florida-Bahamas and Southeastern Synods

Lector:

8 a.m. Ron Walter | 10:15 a.m. Bill Kimball

Director of Music / Organist: David V. Patrick

Cantor: Hannah Boyd

Vocals: Voices of Faith Choir

Greeting & Ushering:

Thomas & Amanda Bright, Jerry Cooper, Eloise Dettmer, Grace Kaarre, Alf Kirkeeng, Gail Lidinsky, Judy Millard, Scott Rice & Joan Searles, Dave Wardach

Videography:

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Altar Guild:

Carole Inkrott, Judy Millard, Janet Phillips, and Steve & Peggy Ragan

Congregation Council:

Ann Greenwood (President), Scott Rice (Vice President), Peggy Ragan (Secretary), Amanda Bright, Sandra Brinker, Eloise Dettmer, Grace Kaarre, Gail Lidinsky, Rev. Eric Olaf Olsen, Joan Searles, and Anita Wooton, Janet Petersen, Congregation Treasurer

Faith Lutheran Staff:

Cate Teague (Office Administrator)

Noted throughout the service: P: Presiding Minister

L: Lector

C: Congregation

Faith has a T-Coil enabled hearing loop for those whose hearing aid(s) are also enabled. ZNOTE: This service is being live-streamed. While we try to avoid filming congregants, it may happen at time.

PRELUDE

LARGO from New World Symphony

Antonin Dvorak

(Members are invited to light a candle in memory of loved ones who are now with the Lord.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE STAND

OPENING LITURGY

We begin our worship in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✙ one God,
who redeems us in Christ Jesus,
whose steadfast love endures forever.

Amen.

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

(Silence for confession and self-examination)

Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbors.

We have ignored voices that call for your justice.

We have neglected actions that witness to your righteousness.

We have spoken and acted in ways that disrupt your beloved community.

We truly repent of things we have done and left undone.

For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Restore our troubled spirits, so that we may live in newness,

follow the way of the Spirit, and build up the body of Christ.

Amen.

Rejoice and be glad! God hears the prayers of all who cry out and restores us to life through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Therefore, I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins,

in the name of the Father, and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

For All the Saints



1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might; thou,
Stanzas 3-5 below.
 6 But then there breaks a yet more glo - rious day: the
 7 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
 Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight; . .
 saints tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray; the
 gates of pearl streams in the count - less host, . .



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
 thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.
 King of glo - ry pass - es on his way.
 sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



3 Oh, blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine, we fee - bly strug - gle,
 4 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long, steals on the ear the
 5 The gold - en eve - ning bright - ens in the west; soon, soon to faith - ful



they in glo - ry shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are
 dis - tant tri - umph song, and hearts are brave a - gain and arms are
 ser - vants com - eth rest; . . . sweet is the calm of par - a - dise the



thine. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 strong.
 blest.

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897

Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958

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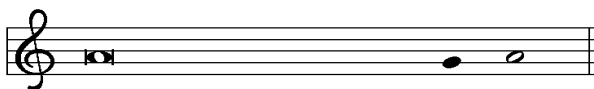
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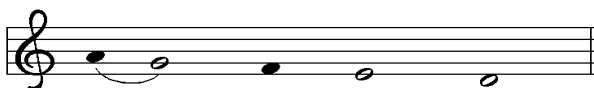
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

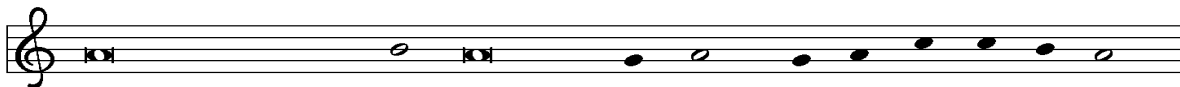
KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



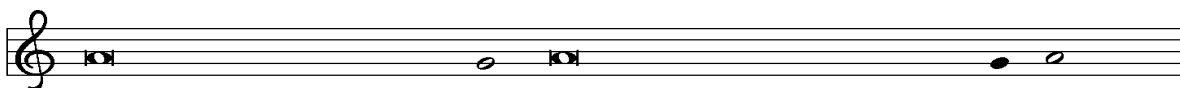
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



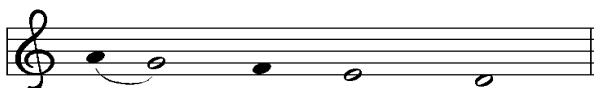
Lord, have mer - cy.



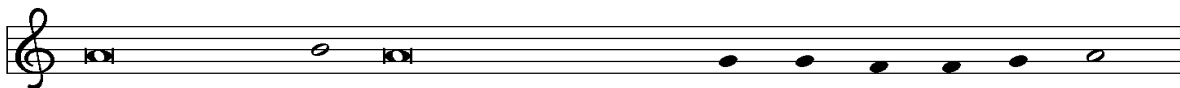
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain

Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

WE SIT

FIRST READING: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

A READING FROM DANIEL

¹In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream:

²I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea,

³and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

¹⁵As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me.

¹⁶I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this.

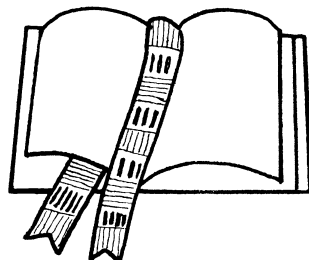
So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter:

¹⁷"As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth.

¹⁸But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God



PSALM REFRAIN: Psalm 149



Psalm 149:1

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Psalm 149

- ¹Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD a new song,
God's praise in the assembly of the faithful.
- ²Let Israel rejoice in their maker;
let the children of Zion be joyful in their ruler.
- ³Let them praise their maker's name with dancing;
let them sing praise with tambourine and harp.
- ⁴For the LORD takes pleasure in the people
and adorns the poor with victory.

Refrain

- ⁵Let the faithful rejoice in triumph;
let them sing for joy on their beds.
- ⁶Let the praises of God be in their throat
and a two-edged sword in their hand,
- ⁷to wreak vengeance on the nations
and punishment on the peoples,
- ⁸to bind their kings in chains
and their nobles with links of iron,
- ⁹to inflict on them the judgment decreed;
this is glory for all God's faithful ones. Hallelujah!

Refrain

CHILDREN'S SERMON

(whenever several children are present)

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:11-23

A READING FROM EPHESIANS

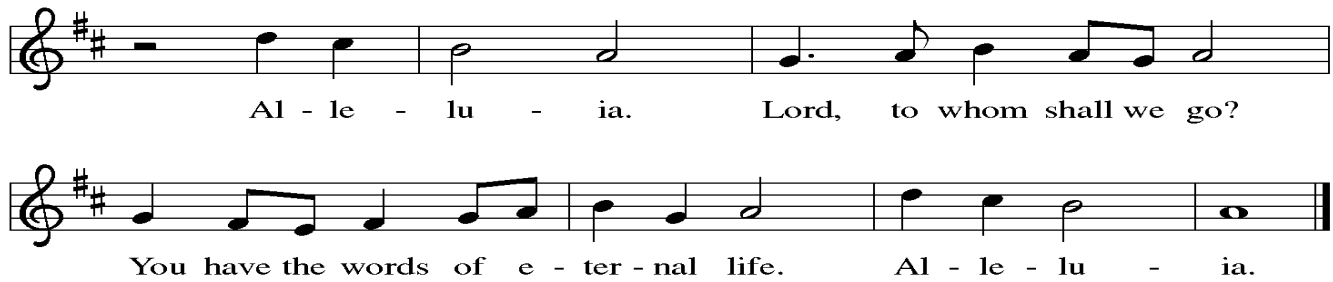
- ¹¹In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will,
- ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory.
- ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit;
- ¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.
- ¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason
- ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers.
- ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him,
- ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints,
- ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power.
- ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places,
- ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come.
- ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church,
- ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God

WE STAND

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Gospel: Luke 6:20-31

P: The holy gospel according to Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁰Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹“Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

²²“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man.

²³Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

²⁴“But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

²⁵“Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶“Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

²⁷“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,

²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you.

²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt.

³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again.

³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

WE SIT

SERMON

Rev. Ana Lugo, ELCA

WE STAND

APOSTLES' CREED

Let us together confess our faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed.

**C: 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.**

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

Shall We Gather at the River



- 1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
- 2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
- 3 Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
- 4 Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, soon our pil - grim - age will cease;



with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?
we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.
soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.



Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;



gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899

Music: HANSON PLACE, Robert Lowry

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: United with your saints across time and place, we pray for our shared world.

A brief silence.

Holy One, your church rests on the faithful who came before us. Give bishops, pastors, deacons, and lay leaders the will to carry the church forward and discern your will for the future. Lord, in your mercy,

receive our prayer.

Holy One, the earth is yours and all that dwells within it. Care for places ravaged by natural disasters, especially all who suffer in the wake of Hurricane Ian. Quell raging fires and halt destruction caused by flooding. Lord, in your mercy,

receive our prayer.

Holy One, you raise up leaders to guide your people. Kindle in them a passion to care for others, a desire to seek the common good, and the courage to love their enemies. Lord, in your mercy,

receive our prayer.

Holy One, you bless those who are poor, hungry, and reviled. Provide food, housing, and security to all who are vulnerable or in crisis. May those who have more than enough give generously. Lord, in your mercy,

receive our prayer.

Holy One, hold us in community with one another. Nurture a spirit of abundant hospitality and intentional inclusion among us, welcoming the gifts of adults and children. Inspire creative visions for our life together. Lord, in your mercy,

receive our prayer.

P: Holy One, we remember in thanksgiving all those who have died. (*Here the names of those who have died in the previous year may be read.*) Wipe away our tears and comfort us with the promise of everlasting life in you. Lord, in your mercy,

receive our prayer.

(Here other intercessions may be offered)

P: Accept these prayers, gracious God, and those known only to you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

WE STAND FOR THE EXCHANGE OF PEACE

PEACE (*feel free to greet your neighbor with a word of peace*)

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

WE SIT

OFFERTORY

RIVER IN JUDEA

Marcus/Feldman/Leavitt

Voice of Faith Choir

The offering will be collected at this time. Online giving is also available at www.faithlutheransrq.com. We sincerely appreciate your generosity in support to Faith Lutheran's ministries. The offering plates are brought forward, and the congregation stands and sings.



WE STAND

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Offering Song

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of
all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble
with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

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OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

C: Blessed are you, Maker of all things.

As you have entrusted us with all that you have created,
now gather our gifts,
nourish us with this sacrament,
and send us to those who hunger and thirst,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

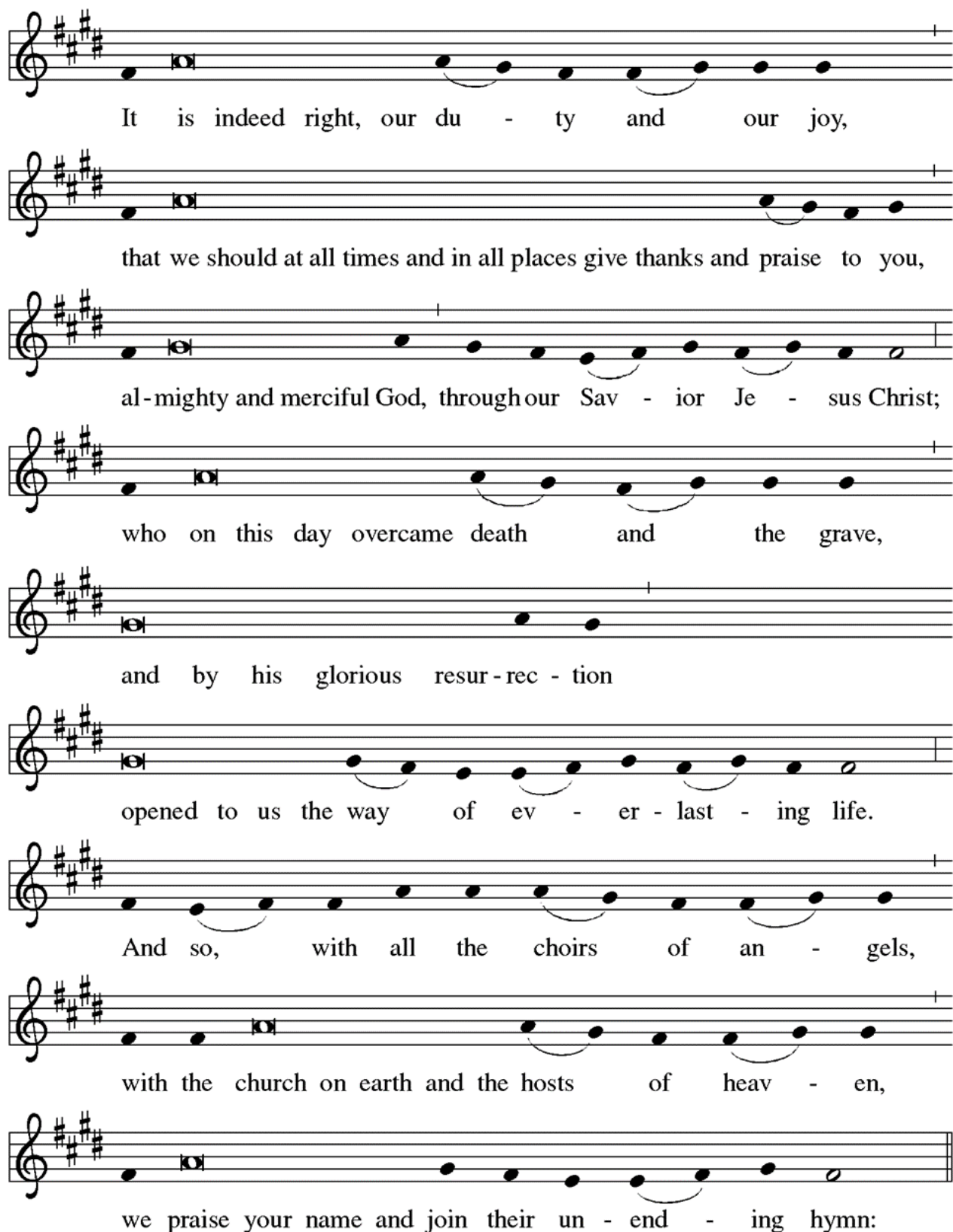
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

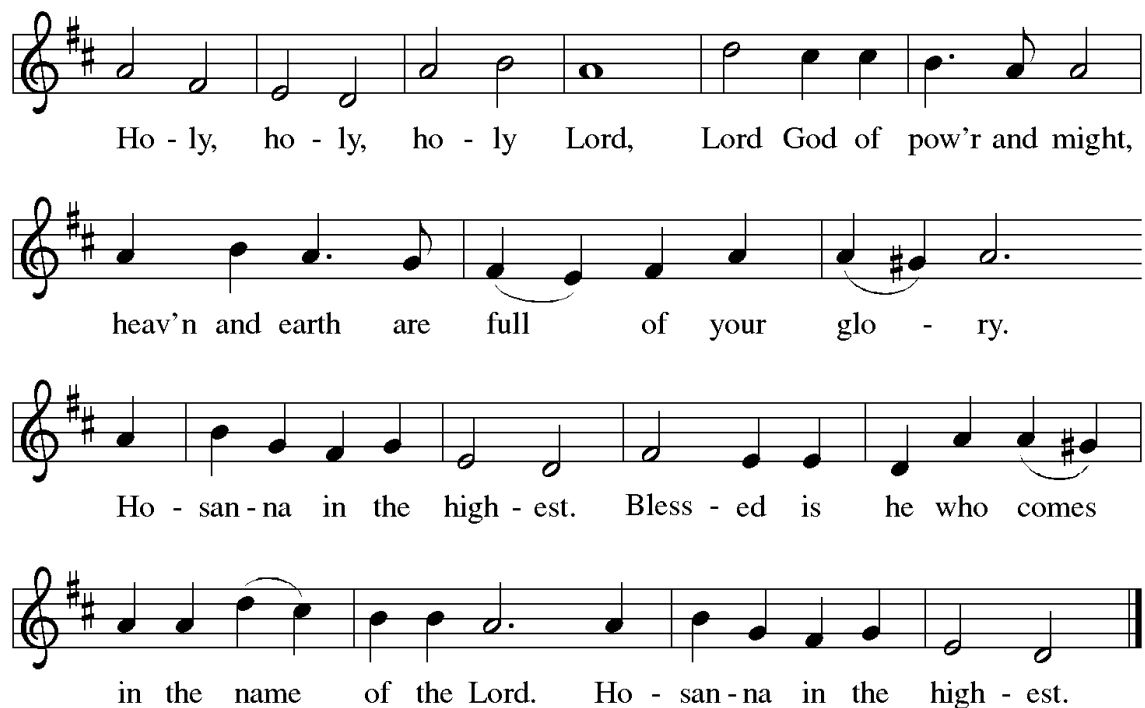


PREFACE



It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,
al-mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resur-rec - tion
opened to us the way of ev - er - last - ing life.
And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,
we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:
Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.
You have filled all creation with light and life;
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age:
the promise to Israel,
the rescue from Egypt,
the gift of the promised land,
the words of the prophets;
and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son,
who proclaimed the good news in word and deed
and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup
we remember the life our Lord offered for us.
And, believing the witness of his resurrection,
we await his coming in power
to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit,
that we who share in Christ's body and blood
may live to the praise of your glory
and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Join our prayers with those of your servants

of every time and every place,
and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest
until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

Through him, with him, in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father,
now and forever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

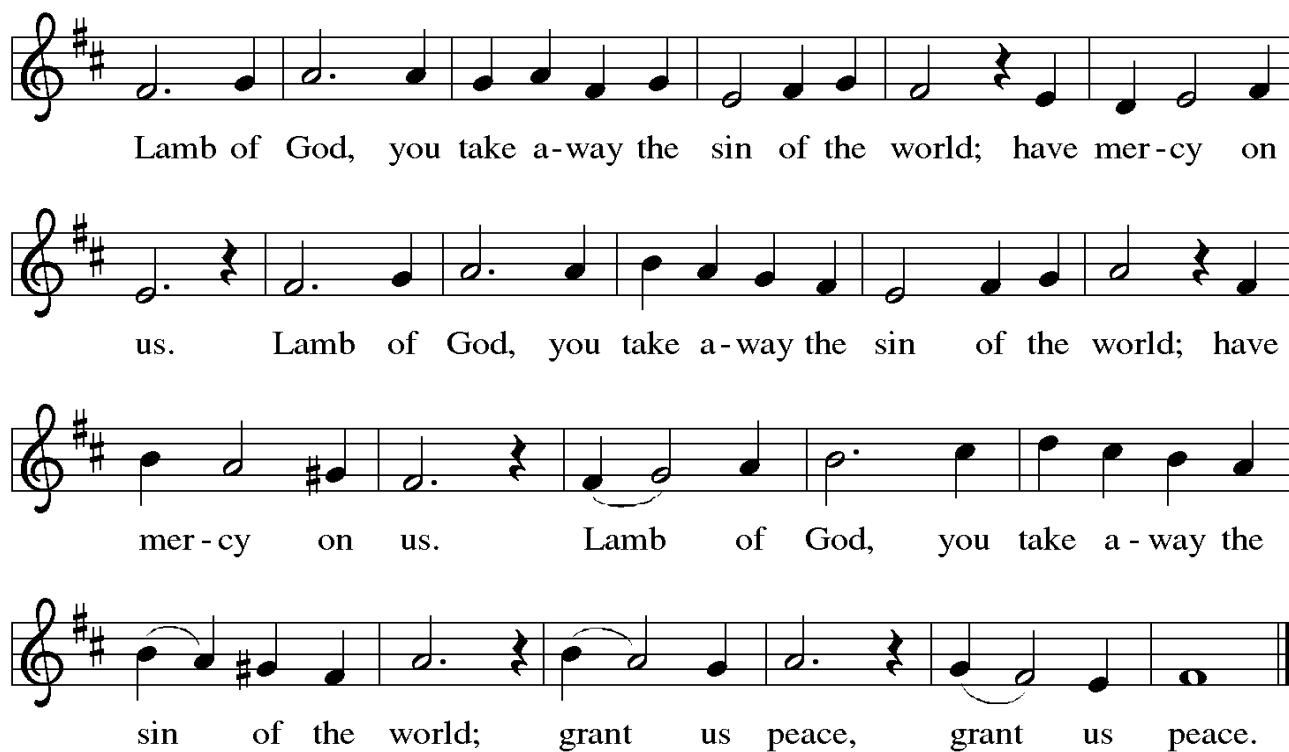
Christ spreads a table before you. Gather here with all the saints.

COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.



COMMUNION SONG



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.

PLEASE STAND

TABLE BLESSING

P: The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his Grace.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray.

C: We give you thanks, most gracious God, that you have fed us with the bread of heaven and given us a foretaste of Paradise. Enliven us to be your body in the world and to serve those who are in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

P: The God of peace, who creates all things and calls them good, who makes us alive in Jesus, and who breathes on us the Spirit of hope, ✝ bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

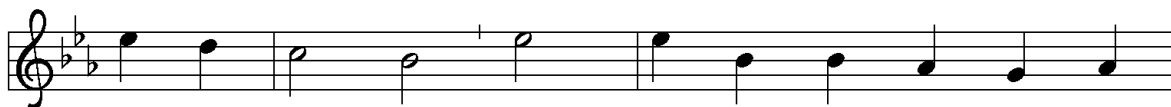
Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones



1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright
 2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more
 3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye
 4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su -



ser - apts, cher - u - bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain:
 glo - rious than the ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es:
 pa - tri - archs and proph - ets blest: "Al - le - lu - ia!
 per - nal an - thems ech - o - ing: "Al - le - lu - ia!



"Al - le - lu - ia!" Cry out, do - min - ions, prince - doms,
 "Al - le - lu - ia!" Thou bear - er of the e - ter - nal
 Al - le - lu - ia!" Ye ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs
 Al - le - lu - ia!" To God the Fa - ther, God the



pow'rs, arch - an - gels, vir - tues, an - gel choirs:
 Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the Lord:
 strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the song:
 Son, and God the Spir - it, Three in One:



"Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!" Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: J. Athelstan Riley, 1858–1945

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DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Be a blessing in the world.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE:

PSALM XIX

Benedetto Marcello

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Next: Sunday, November 13, 2022

The 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

Malachi 4:1-2a

A day of blistering heat for the arrogant; a day of healing sun for the righteous.

Psalms 98

In righteousness will the Lord judge the world. (Ps. 98:9)

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Do not be idle, but do what is right for the sake of Christ.

Luke 21:5-19

Jesus speaks of wars, endurance, betrayal, and suffering for his sake.

This Week at Faith:

Monday, November 7

Tuesday, November 8

10:00 a.m. Men of Faith Bible Study
in Chapel

9:30 a.m. G.I.F.T.S.
in Conference Room

11:00 a.m. Property Committee

Wednesday, November 9

9:30 a.m. Pastor Larry's Bible Study

10:00 a.m. Executive Board

10:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting in Chapel
and on Zoom

1:00 p.m. Bereavement Group
in Chapel

Thursday, November 10

1:00 p.m. Stitch 'n Chatter

6:00 p.m. Jazzercise

Friday, November 11

8:30 a.m. Jazzercise

Saturday, November 12

8:30 a.m. Jazzercise

Sunday, November 13

9:10 a.m. Adult Forum

9:15 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are so glad you have joined us for worship. **Please let us know you visited by filling out a Visitor Card** located on the table near the entrance. Kindly give the card to an usher or place it in the offering plate.

Let Us Pray

P: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Adult Forum – Christian Education

Adult Forum will **not meet** this Sunday, **11/6** but will **resume on Sunday, 11/13** with Lesson 8 “Living Water” of “That the World May Know” video series. We will meet in the conference room between the two morning worship services from 9:10–9:50 a.m.

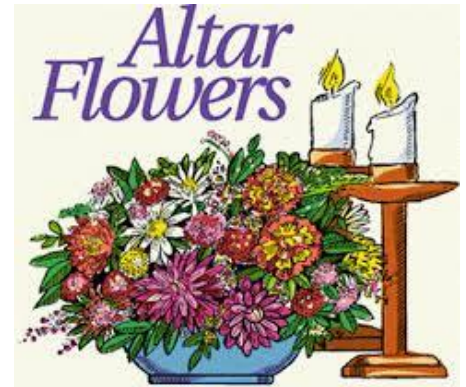
Pack your bags! We’re going on a journey with Ray Vander Laan, a Biblical scholar. A quest to uncover Scripture and its meaning across history. Filmed on location in Israel and throughout the Middle East, the Faith Lessons Digital series is an adventure in biblical learning. You will discover why Jesus turned the world upside down with his compelling call to follow Him. The insights you gain will transform your reading of the Gospels and inspire a deeper faith commitment.



If you are wondering what the title of this series is based on, it comes from John 17:23, “...May they be brought to complete unity *That the World May Know* that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.”

Altar Flowers

Please consider donating Altar Flowers in honor of a special occasion or in memory of a loved one, or to glorify God. The price for one vase is \$30 and \$60 for two vases. The next available Sunday is **Nov. 20**.



Did you know that you can take your flowers home or donate them to a place of your choice after the second service on Sunday? Please indicate your wish either on the flower donation board in the Fellowship Hall, or on our webpage.

Pastor's Discretionary Fund needs your help!



Our pastor is in the unique position of being able to speak to members of the congregation or the community about specific needs and aid they might require. This fund provides him the means to help financially when necessary.

Thank you for the strong congregational response thus far! If you are able, please consider a donation so vulnerable members of our community can continue to receive emergency assistance.

Following Hurricane Ian, **requests for assistance have grown substantially.**

Choir Rehearsals

Choir rehearsals will take place on Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. in the Choir Room as well as on **Wednesday, Nov. 30** at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome! Whether you are seasonal or full time; experienced singer or novice; soloist or shower-singer; church member or visitor you are welcome to join the Voices of Faith Choir. We have a place for you!



Council of Faith



It is time to prepare a slate of people who will serve on the Council of Faith for the next three years. There are four seats that need to be filled at a time when there is excitement in the progress that the past year has brought to the renewal of our church. Under Pastor Eric's leadership, Faith is again looking for ways to serve God as was our tradition in the past years. The third stanza of "God, When Human Bonds are Broken" that we sang on Sunday, October 23, encourages us to

consider serving the church. Those words are "Send us, God of new beginnings, humbly hopeful into life. Use us as a means of blessing: make us stronger, give us faith."

Please give prayerful consideration to help Faith to continue God's work through Faith's Congregational Council. It can be a blessing to many people, including yourself. If you feel called to serve, please let one of the below committee members know that. If asked by one of us, please say a little prayer before responding to us.

The nomination committee members (Eloise Dettmer, Sandy Brinker, Grace Kaarre) have served on Council for different lengths of time and have completed their terms. Pastor Eric asked them to become the nomination committee. We look forward to being able to present a slate of candidates to be voted on at the Annual Meeting in February.

Please feel free to contact the nomination committee:

Eloise Dettmer - eadettmer@aol.com - 941.921.7381

Sandy Brinker - sbrinker973@verizon.net - 941.966.3209

Grace Kaarre - gracere99@aol.com - 941.468.6850

Let's Pray!

Looking for a time to pray with members of our Faith family? Join us on **Wednesday at 11:00 am** in the chapel. We will pray for ourselves, our loved ones, those in need, our church community, the larger community that we serve, our nation and the world. We will conclude our time with Holy Communion.



Come and bring your concerns and your desire to connect with our loving heavenly Father!

If you cannot attend in person, we invite you cordially to join us via Zoom.

Now you can join our weekly prayer meeting from anywhere via zoom!

Please note that we conclude each meeting with Holy Communion so if you need the sacrament brought to your house, please let us know or take consecrated elements home with you on Sunday if you are in town.

Join Zoom Meeting: **Meeting ID: 871 4720 3661, Passcode: 041291**

Calling All Confirmation Students

Our new class time will be 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays beginning Tuesday, Nov. 15. The class will be one hour in length.



Faith's Food Pantry



We are continuing to work in partnership with All Faiths Food Bank to begin food pantry operations. In the meantime, **we are still collecting food for All Faiths.**

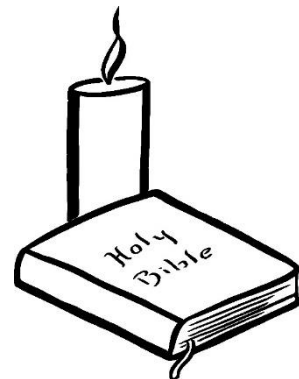
Please consider donating ready-to-eat canned foods such as tuna and canned fruit. However, you are welcome to bring in any nonperishables that can be gifted to others who may need them. There is a large

barrel, in the Narthex, just waiting for your items. **Following Hurricane Ian, many in our community are in need of food donations.**

Adult Bible Study with Pastor Larry

"LIGHT OF THE WORLD" - A Beginners Guide to Advent

Pastor Larry is leading this Five-Week study that began on Wednesday, October 19th and will conclude on the 16th of November. Each session is from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.



We are meeting in the Conference Room. Donuts and breakfast beverages will be available. ALL ARE WELCOME!!!! (* Our Mission Endowment Fund makes these materials available free of cost. Blessed are we who receive.)

IMPORTANT: There are a very limited number of extra textbooks available for anyone who has not yet joined and is interested in participating. Let Pastor Larry or the office know.

Special Guest: Rev. Ana Lugo from ELCA



Today, Sunday, November 6 we have a special guest speaker, Ana Lugo from ELCA Foundation and Florida-Bahamas and Southeastern Synods. She will preach at both services and will be available at both coffee hours for questions. After the 10:15 a.m. service, the Endowment Committee will host a light lunch. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.

Save the Date: Bishop Pedro M. Suárez

On **Sunday, November 20**, Bishop Pedro M. Suárez will preach at both services.

More information to come about his visit to Faith.

We look forward to having him here, and we hope that you will join us. All are welcome!



Readers Club Update



Readers Club meets on the last Monday of the month at 2:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. Fliers are available on the table in the Narthex.

Our next meeting is November 28, and we will be discussing *Ethel Rosenberg: An American Tragedy* by Anna Sebba. We will be skipping December due to Christmas. On January 30, we will be discussing *Haven Point* by Virginia Hume.

For more information, contact Kathy Schilio at schilmo@yahoo.com. **Please join! All are welcome!**

Bereavement Group

Faith's Bereavement Group meets every Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the prayer chapel. All are welcome. If you or a friend can use some help bearing the burden of grief this group is for you! There is strength in community! Help spread the word of hope.



G.I.F.T.S. (Growing In Faith Through Scripture)



G.I.F.T.S. (Growing In Faith Through Scripture) is studying "Be Still and Know" by Deb Burma on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the conference room. All women are welcome.

Books will be provided, just bring your Bible and a joy in your heart to be in God's Word.

Save the Dates



4 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 4, be here for a special fund-raising event for Hurricane Ian relief. Special entertainment by legendary singer/songwriter Karlos Trapp and comedy by Sarasota's king of comedy, All Ernst, will highlight the evening. More information to follow soon.

During the 10:15 a.m. service, Sunday, Dec. 11, David Patrick, our director of music, and Tom Tryon, our lead cantor, will be officially installed. A reception will follow

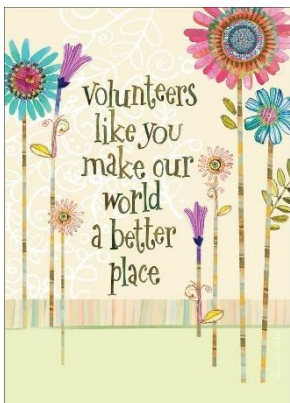
In Word and Service

Please contact Pastor Eric if you are interested in delving deeper into your faith formation and becoming a church deacon. If we get two members to join in study through diakonia Florida-Bahamas Synod's School of Lay Ministry, we can meet at Faith for our classes.



For more information, visit diakoniafl.org or contact Deborah Dornemann, 941-914-7553.

Reminder: Volunteers are in the office this week



While Cate is on vacation, volunteers are answering the phones, greeting guests, and helping in the office this week.

We thank them and all members for meeting and exceeding the needs of the church in service to Christ.

You are all a blessing!

Please accept our heartfelt thanks.



Prayer List



Please remember in your prayers this week:

Jeff & Nancy Arntsen
Kevin Beard, friend of Jim Winemiller
Tommy Bright
Charles Budreau
Jane Burgfield
Dee Burlingame
Michael O. Cannon – Father of Kay Cannon
Cheryl Cook
Joan Cotton
Eloise Dettmer
Megan Fairlie
Elizabeth Farmer
Andrea Gamboa
Elaine Graham
Dottie Gustafson, friend of Patricia Lawrence
Jon Hale
Alyssa Hansen (Lisa Olsen's cousin)
Jeff Hansen, nephew of Joan Searles
Kevin Hooks, son-in-law of Anita and Jon Wooton
Mary Janice Holt
Jesus & Rita Jimenez

Howard King, friend of Powrie's and others
Paul & Debby Maresch
Kathryn McLaughlin
Judi Melander
Ed Miller
Kristin Mohammed
Jeremy & Yvonne Mullins
The Family & Friends of Dennis Pappalardo
Doris Anne Prieur-Lucia
Fritz Rappold
The Family & Friends of Deacon Sue Rice
Gabriel Rockwell
Beverly & Floyd Ryder
Dick Sanks
Rev. John Spittal
Dieter Smirnow
Cathy Stubenvoll
Michelle Terrell, niece of Kay Cannon
Colette Thornbloom
Evie Webb
Marlene Wiest
Jon Wooton

Jeremiah 29:12 "Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you."

Contact the church office if:

- You or someone you know would like a **communion visit, hospital, or home visit, or to be contacted.**
- You know of someone who would appreciate **receiving a card in the mail.**
- You would like to **serve as a Eucharistic Minister.**
- You have an addition to the Prayer List. Please send an email with the individual's name to officeadmin@faithlutheransrq.com. Please send updates when prayers are answered.

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OUR VISION

To be an ELCA Lutheran Church that displays the true, unending love of Christ. To promote peace, social justice, and grace throughout all we do.

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