

# THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

31 August A☩D 2025



## OUR SAVIOR

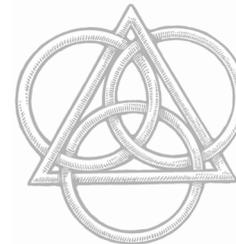
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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☩ Hymns ☩  
916  
TLH 25  
639  
614

**On receiving the Lord's Supper:** Our congregation is a member of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS), a family of congregations that pledge themselves to believe, teach, and confess the same faith. We believe that we are given a great responsibility to commune only those persons who are members of our confessional fellowship. We practice closed communion to exhibit unity in faith (Acts 2:42), to guard the uninstructed against a reception of the sacrament that will be harmful to them (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), and to keep the pastor from having to make “divine” decisions by determining who is a believer and who is not (2 Timothy 2:19). Therefore, we ask that only LCMS members, or members of churches in fellowship with us, commune at the altar of this church. We want to express our sincere welcome to our guests and assure them that we practice closed communion for their spiritual welfare. Guests desiring to learn more about our beliefs are asked to speak with our pastor.



### ☩ THE DIVINE SERVICE ☩

10:30am

*Please silence all phones and devices before service begins.*

#### THE PRELUDE

*The bell tolls three times to signify the beginning of service in reverence of the Holy Trinity. After the tolls, the Processional Hymn will begin.*

*Please STAND and FACE THE PROCESSION as it passes.*

#### THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

**916** *Only-Begotten, Word of God Eternal*

✠ THE PREPARATION ✠

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

ST. MATTHEW 28:19B; [18:20]

**Amen.**

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

[HEBREWS 10:22]

*Please remain STANDING or KNEEL if you desire and are able*

Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**who made heaven and earth.**

PSALM 124:8

I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD,  
**and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

PSALM 32:5

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination. The pastor will resume...*

**O almighty God, merciful Father, I a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

[ST. JOHN 20:19-23]

*Please STAND*

✠ THE SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

**THE INTROIT**

PSALM 68:5B-6A, 35B; PSALM 68:1



| God is | in His holy hab- / itation;  
God setteth the solitar- / y in- families.

- / **He giveth strength:**

**And power un- / to His- people.**

Let God arise, let his enemies / be scattered:  
Let them also that hate Him / flee be-fore Him.

***Glory be to the Father / and to the Son***

***And to the / Holy- Spirit;***

**As it was in the / beginning,**

**Is now and will be for / ever.— Amen.**

| God is | in His holy hab- / itation;  
God setteth the solitar- / y in- families.

- / **He giveth strength:**

**And power un- / to His- people.**

**THE KYRIE**

ST. MARK 10:47



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

**THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

ST. LUKE 2:14; ST. JOHN 1:29



Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward

men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,  
 we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
 O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.  
 O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;  
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.  
 Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.  
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-  
 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.  
 Thou only, O ✠ Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,  
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## THE SALUTATION

2 TIMOTHY 4:22

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spir - it.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of Thy mercy, forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us that that our prayer dare not presume to ask; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

A - men.

*Please BE SEATED*

## THE PROPHECY

GENESIS 4:1-15

*In those days:* Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, and said, "I have acquired a man from the LORD." Then she bore again, this time his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground. And in the process of time it came to pass that Cain brought an offering of the fruit of the ground to the LORD. Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat. And the LORD respected Abel and his offering, but He did not respect Cain and his offering. And Cain was very angry, and his countenance fell. So the LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry? And why has your countenance fallen? If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin lies at the door. And its desire is for you, but you should rule over it." Now Cain talked with Abel

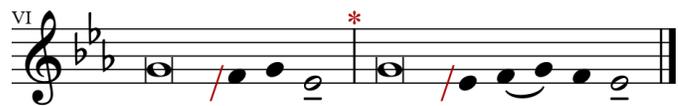
his brother; and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother and killed him. Then the LORD said to Cain, “Where is Abel your brother?” He said, “I do not know. Am I my brother’s keeper?” And He said, “What have you done? The voice of your brother’s blood cries out to Me from the ground. So now you are cursed from the earth, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother’s blood from your hand. When you till the ground, it shall no longer yield its strength to you. A fugitive and a vagabond you shall be on the earth.” And Cain said to the LORD, “My punishment is greater than I can bear! Surely You have driven me out this day from the face of the ground; I shall be hidden from Your face; I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond on the earth, and it will happen that anyone who finds me will kill me.” And the LORD said to him, “Therefore, whoever kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold.” And the LORD set a mark on Cain, lest anyone finding him should kill him.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**THE GRADUAL**

PSALM 28:7B, 1A; 35:22B



My heart trusteth in God, / and I am helped:

Therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth;

and with my song / will I—praise Him.

**Unto thee will I cry, / O LORD, my Rock;**

**Be not silent to me:**

**hear the voice of my / suppli—cations.**

**THE EPISTLE**

1 CORINTHIANS 15:1–10

*Brethren:* I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to

you—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep. After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles. Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time. For I am the least of the apostles, who am not worthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all, yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please STAND*

**THE ALLELUIA VERSE**

PSALM 88:1



Al- / lelulia!

- / Alle—lulia!

**O LORD God of my / salvation:**

**I have cried day and night before Thee. / Alle—lulia!**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**

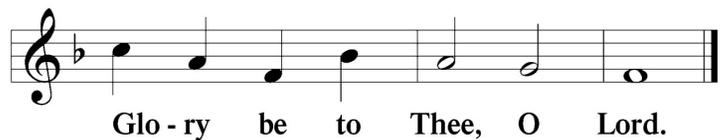
ST. LUKE 18:9–14

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir - it.

The continuation of the ✠ Holy Gospel ✠ according to ✠ Saint Luke.



✠ *At that time:* Jesus spoke this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: “Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, ‘God, I thank You that I am not like other men—extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess.’ And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me a sinner!’ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



### THE NICENE CREED

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.

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THE HYMN OF THE DAY TLH 25 *I Will Sing My Maker's Praises*

### THE SERMON

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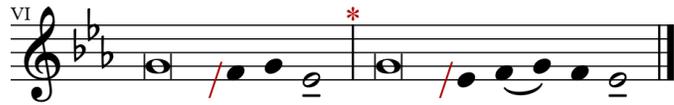
### THE OFFERTORY

PSALM 51:10-12



## THE OFFERTORY VERSE

PSALM 30:1-2



I will ex- / tol Thee, O LORD;  
 For Thou hast lifted me up,  
 and hast not made my foes to / rejoice— over me.  
**O LORD my God, I cried un- / to Thêe,**  
**And / Thou hast— healed me.**

*Please BE SEATED*

## THE OFFERING

*Please STAND*

## THE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

[I TIMOTHY 2:1-4]

*- please read the announcements and prayer list details on bulletin insert*

*After each bid:* Let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

*At the conclusion:* O Lord, ... one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

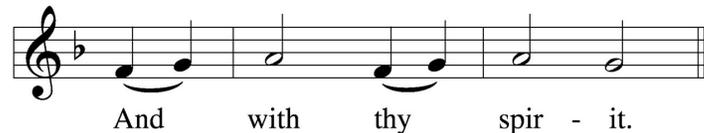
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## ✠ THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR ✠

### THE PREFACE

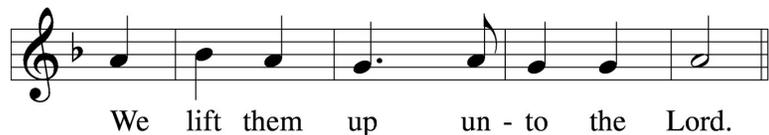
The Lord be with you.

2 TIMOTHY 4:22



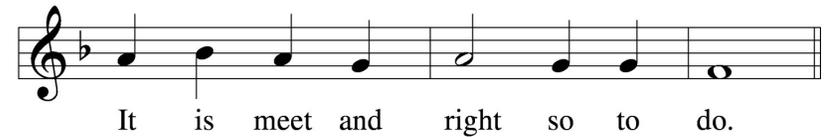
Lift up your hearts.

[COLOSSIANS 3:1]



Let us give thanks unto the LORD our God.

[PSALM 136]



It is truly meet, right, and salutary... praising You and saying:

### THE SANCTUS

ISAIAH 6:3; ST. MATTHEW 21:9



*Please remain STANDING or KNEEL if you desire and are able*

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

ST. MATTHEW 6:9-13

**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.

**THE WORDS OF CHRIST'S TESTAMENT** ST. MATTHEW 26:26-28;  
ST. MARK 14:22-24; ST. LUKE 22:19-20; 1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-25

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: TAKE, EAT, THIS IS MY ✠ BODY, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.

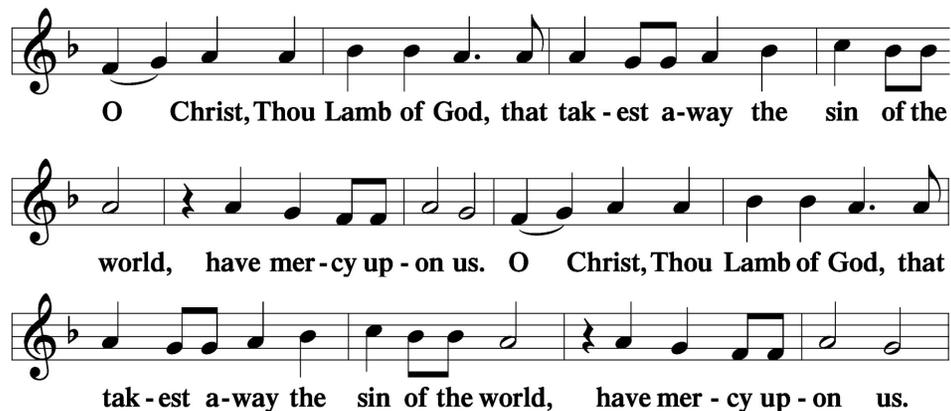
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, DRINK OF IT, ALL OF YOU; THIS CUP IS THE NEW TESTAMENT IN MY ✠ BLOOD, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

**THE PAX DOMINI** ST. JOHN 20:19

The ✠ peace of the Lord be with you always.



**THE AGNUS DEI** ST. JOHN 1:29



**THE COMMUNION VERSE** PROVERBS 3:9-10



Honor the LORD with thy substance,  
and with the firstfruits of all / thine increase:  
So shall thy barns be filled with plenty,  
and thy presses shall burst out / with new— wine.—

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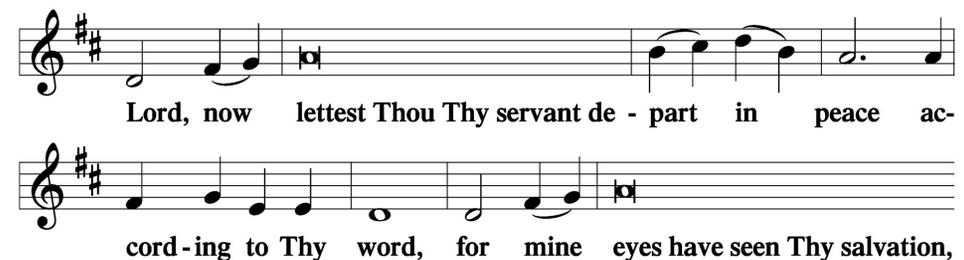
*Communion Distribution:* Our congregation practices closed communion for the spiritual welfare of our members and guests. Please refer to page 1 of this bulletin for further explanation or speak to our pastor.

**THE COMMUNION HYMNS**

639 *Wide Open Stand the Gates*  
724 *If God Himself Be for Me*

*Please STAND*

**THE NUNC DIMITTIS** ST. LUKE 2:29-32





which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
 a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
 peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
 to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
 is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

**THE THANKSGIVING**

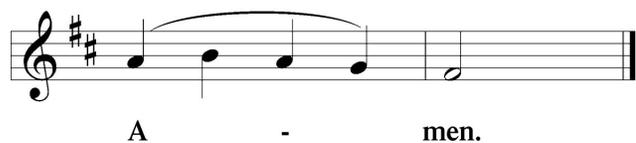
PSALM 107:1

Oh, give thanks unto the LORD for He is good.



and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

Let us pray. We beseech Thee, O Lord, that we who have received this holy Sacrament may feel Thy help in mind and body: that, being cured in both, we may glory in the fullness of Thy heavenly healing; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

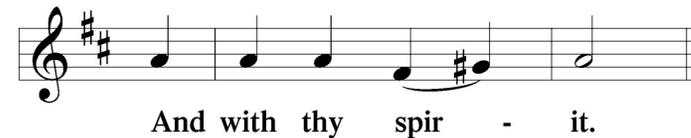


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**THE SALUTATION**

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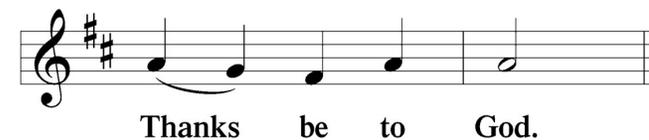


And with thy spir - it.

**THE BENEDICAMUS**

[PSALM 103:1]

Bless we the LORD.



Thanks be to God.

*Please remain STANDING or KNEEL if you desire and are able*

**THE BENEDICTION**

NUMBERS 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and ☩ give you peace.



A - men, a - men, a - men.

*Please STAND*

**THE RETIRING PROCESSION WITH POSTLUDE**

*Please FACE THE PROCESSION as it passes.*

*Once the Procession reaches the narthex, you may depart in ☩ peace.*