

Holy Communion

Sabbath to End Homelessness

Sunday, November 16, 2025

10:30 a.m.

Exploring the promise of God for all

Welcome to Central Lutheran Church.

You are welcome, no exceptions.

Here are a few notes you might find helpful for worship:

Bold print indicates responses spoken by all. Masks are welcomed.
Congregational hymns are found printed in this bulletin or in the red
hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*.

PRELUDE

“Intermezzo in A Major” Op. 76, No. 6

Johannes Brahms

(At the sound of the bell, please stand and face the font)

Gathering

OPENING SENTENCES

from Isaiah 65

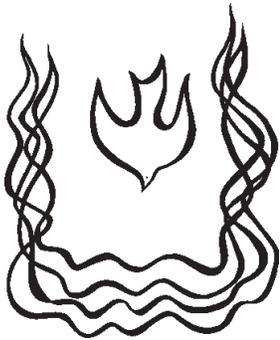
For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

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.**

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.**

They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

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.



*The Holy Spirit gathers
us in unity on this first
day of the week.*

GATHERING HYMN

“Here, O Lord Your Servants Gather”

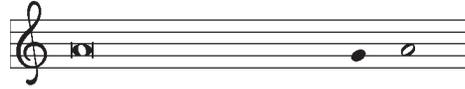
Hymn 530

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.

KYRIE



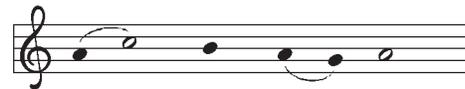
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



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.



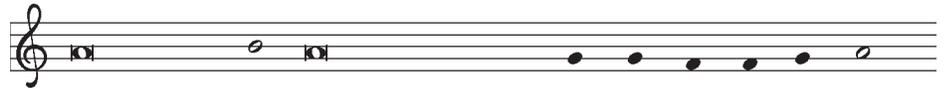
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

God of faithful surprises, throughout the ages you have made known your love and power in unexpected ways and places. May we daily perceive the joy and wonder of your abiding presence and offer our lives in gratitude for our redemption. **Amen.**

(Please be seated)



*God speaks to us in
scripture reading,
preaching, and song.*

Word

CHILDREN'S TIME

FIRST READING

Malachi 4:1-2a

¹ See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ^{2a} But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 98



Choir: Sing a new song to the Lord, who has done | marvelous
things,
whose right hand and holy arm have | won the victory.

All: ² O Lord, you have made | known your victory,
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight | of
the nations.

Choir: ³ 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.

All: ⁴ Shout with joy to the Lord, | all you lands;
lift up your voice, re- | jice, and sing.

Choir: ⁵ Sing to the Lord | with the harp,
with the harp and the | voice of song.

All: ⁶ With trumpets and the sound | of the horn
shout with joy before the | king, the Lord.

Choir: ⁷ Let the sea roar, and | all that fills it,
the world and those who | dwell therein.

All: ⁸ Let the rivers | clap their hands, and let the hills ring out
with joy before the Lord, who comes to | judge the
earth.

Choir: ⁹The Lord will judge the | world with righteousness
and the peo- | ples with equity.

(Please stand)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

GOSPEL

Luke 21:5-19

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.



²⁵When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, ⁶“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.”

⁷They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” ⁸And 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.

⁹“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.” ¹⁰Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

¹²“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. ¹³This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, ¹⁵for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your souls.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

SERMON

(Please stand)

HYMN OF THE DAY

“When Our World Is Rent by Violence”



1 When our world is rent by vio - lence and our lives are
2 When our cit - ies stand for - sak - en and the poor must
3 When our lives are burnt to ash - es and our hopes fade
4 Raise up beau - ty from the ash - es; end our vio - lence;



marred by grief, when our songs of calm as - sur - ance
beg for bread, when the pris - 'ner sits for - got - ten
like a dream, when our sto - ries lose their mean - ing
tend our peace. Give us vi - sions of a fu - ture



turn to cries of un - be - lief: God, we raise our
and the home - less find no bed, God, we raise our
and de - spair be - comes their theme, God, we raise our
where all cap - tives find re - lease, where op - pres - sion



lam - en - ta - tion seek - ing ref - uge and re - lief.
lam - en - ta - tion: wak - en jus - tice from the dead!
lam - en - ta - tion: Come, Lord Je - sus, to re - deem!
is e - vic - ted, and all works of ha - tred cease.

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Music: FORTUNATUS NEW, Carl F. Schalk, b. 1929

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world,
and all who are in need.

Each petition concludes:

Hear us, O God,

Your mercy is great.

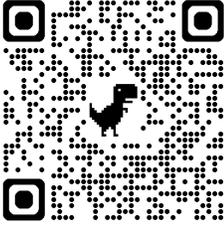
We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace
and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

(Please be seated)



Scan to make a financial offering.



God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

MUSICAL OFFERING

“Calling My Children Home”

Arr. Joseph Jennings

Those lives were mine to love and cherish, to guard and guide along life's way.

Oh God forbid that one should perish, that one alas should go astray.

Back in the years with all together, around the place we'd romp and play. So lonely now, I often wonder, oh, will they come back home some day?

I'm lonesome for my precious children, they live so far away.

Oh may they hear my calling and come back home someday.

I gave my all for my dear children, their problems still with love I share.

I'd brave life's storms, defy the tempest to bring them home from anywhere.

I lived my life, my love I gave them, to guide them through this world of strife

I hope and pray we'll live together in that great glad here after life.

I'm lonesome for my precious children, they live so far away.

Oh may they hear my calling, and come back home some day

-Ralph Stanley

Meal

(Please stand)

PRESENTATION HYMN

Hymn 680

“We Plow the Fields and Scatter”

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.

It is indeed right...and join in their unending hymn:



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.

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory...to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one, we pray as Jesus has 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.**

(Please be seated)

*All are invited to receive these
gifts of God.*

*Children are welcome to
come forward and receive
communion or a blessing.*

COMMUNION

“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.

“Ave Verum Corpus”

Edward Elgar

Sung in Latin:

Ave verum corpus, natum

Ex Maria Virgine,

Vere passum, immolatum

In cruce pro homine.

Cujus latus perforatum

fluxit aqua et sanguine:

Esto nobis praegustatum

in mortis examine.

O Clemens, O pie, O dulcis Jesu,

Fili Mariae, Mariae.

Translation:

Hail, true Body, born
of the Virgin Mary,
truly suffered, sacrificed
on the cross for humankind.

From whose pierced side
flowed water and blood:
Be for us a foretaste
in the trial of death!

O merciful, O holy, O sweet Jesus,
son of Mary.

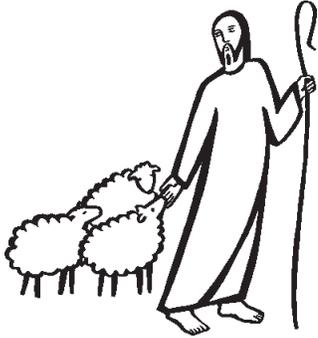
“When Peace Like a River”

Hymn 785

(Please stand)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name. **Amen.**



God blesses us and sends us for shared mission in our shared world.

Sending

BLESSING

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, † and the Holy Spirit, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

Hymn 773

“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Ballade in G Minor” Op. 118, No. 3

Johannes Brahms

Serving Today

Pastor Melissa Pohlman	<i>preacher</i>
Pastor Peter Nycklemoe	<i>presider</i>
Ann Oyen	<i>assisting</i>
Jim Hart	<i>reader</i>
Shirley Dahl	<i>crucifer</i>
Central Choir	<i>ensemble</i>
Joe Osowski	<i>choir director</i>
Isaac Drewes	<i>organist</i>
Mark Kieffer	<i>video/sound</i>
Arlene Lind	<i>host</i>
Bonnie Weisenburger	<i>healing prayers</i>

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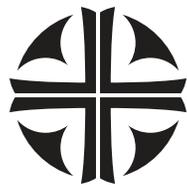
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