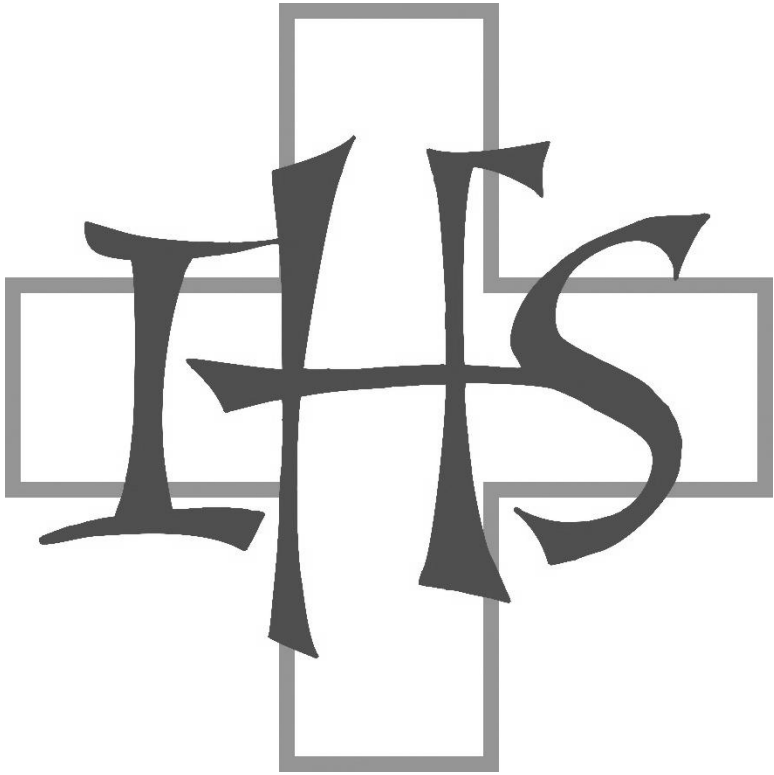


The Lutheran Church of the Savior

A Community of Faith: *Centered in Christ – Called to Serve*



Since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.

Hebrews 10:21-23

Order of Worship

November 17, 2024 10:45 AM

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Introit

Psalm 48:11–14; antiphon: Mark 13:13b

The one who endures to the end
will be saved.

Let Mount Zion be glad!

Let the daughters of Judah rejoice because of your judgments!

Walk about Zion, go around her, number her towers,
consider well her ramparts, go through her citadels,
that you may tell the next generation that this is God, our God forever
and ever.

He will guide us forever.

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 forever. Amen.

Communion Theology and Practice

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is intended for those:

- who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God,
- who have faith in Jesus Christ as God the Son in the flesh and their personal Savior from sin, death, and the devil;
- who believe that they have sin that needs forgiving, hurt that needs healing, and faith that needs strengthening;
- who are committed to amending their sinful ways; and
- who believe that in, with, and under the bread and wine they receive the true body and blood of the risen Christ, together with the forgiveness of all their sins.

*If you are a visitor with us this morning and wish to receive the
Lord's Supper, please speak with the pastor before the service.*

Thank you.

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Service

Welcome

Invocation

Matthew 28:19

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

C Amen.

Opening Song

Let Us Draw Near

Fitts

Verse 1, Chorus, Verse 2, Chorus x2

VERSE



Let us draw near _____ with our
hold fast _____ the con -



hearts full of faith, be-ing washed clean _____ of our
fes-sion of our faith, with-out wa-ver-ing. _____ with-out



e - vil ways; Let us draw near _____ with our
fal - ter - ing; Let us hold fast _____ the con -



hearts full of faith, be-ing washed clean _____ of our
fes-sion of our faith, with-out wav-er-ing, _____ with-out



e - vil _____ ways. For He who
fal - ter _____ ing.

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CHORUS

called us will be faith - ful to do what He has
prom - ised, for His Word is true; He who
called us will be faith - ful to do what He has
prom - ised for His Word is true.
2. O, let us Word is true. He who
Word is true. Fine

Prayer of Confession

- P** Holy Lord, as we stand in your presence, we are aware of our sins of thought, word, and action.
- C** **We have not always lived our lives according to your will.**
- P** We have often failed to live up to your expectations.
- C** **We all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.**
- P** But we know your promise, that if we confess our sins,
- C** **you will hear our cry, and grant us your forgiveness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

- P** O Lord, hear us now, as we confess our sins to You.
- C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Absolution

- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

Song

Heart For The Nations

Sadler, Nystrom

Verse, Chorus, Verse, Chorus, Chorus

VERSE

Give us Your heart for the na - tions, let us be light
to the world; Use us to de - clare Your sal - va
- tion to the peo - ple of the earth. May we be moved
by com - pas - sion. let us know Your love for the lost:

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Lord, use us to lead them to the cross.

CHORUS

Fa-ther, here we are,

stand - ing in Your pres - ence,

send us forth to lead them to the cross;

— Spir - it, here we are, fill us with Your pow

- er, send us forth to

lead them to the cross. —


Sola Gratia
GRACE ALONE

Psalm

Psalm 16

Spoken responsively

¹Preserve me, O God,
for in you I take refuge.

**²I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord;
I have no good apart from you."**

³As for the saints in the land,
they are the excellent ones,
in whom is all my delight.

**⁴The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply;
their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out
or take their names on my lips.**

⁵The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup;
you hold my lot.

**⁶The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.**

⁷I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
in the night also my heart instructs me.

**⁸I have set the LORD always before me;
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

⁹Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;
my flesh also dwells secure.

**¹⁰For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,
or let your holy one see corruption.**

¹¹You make known to me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray. O Lord, by Your bountiful goodness release us from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our weakness we have brought upon ourselves, that we may stand firm until the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Daniel 12:1–3

¹At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. ²And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Hebrews 10:11–25

¹¹Every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. ¹²But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, ¹³waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet. ¹⁴For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.

¹⁵And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying,

¹⁶"This is the covenant that I will make with them
after those days, declares the Lord:
I will put my laws on their hearts,
and write them on their minds,"

¹⁷then he adds,

"I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

¹⁸Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

¹⁹Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and

good works, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

Mark 13:1–13

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!”

²And Jesus said to him, “Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.”

³And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴“Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when all these things are about to be accomplished?” ⁵And Jesus began to say to them, “See that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. ⁷And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take place, but the end is not yet. ⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These are but the beginning of the birth pains.

⁹“But be on your guard. For they will deliver you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them. ¹⁰And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations. ¹¹And when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit. ¹²And brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death. ¹³And you will be hated by all for my name’s sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**☩ 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.**



Song of the Day

Speak, O Lord

Getty, Townend



1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to re -
 2. Teach us Lord full o - be - di - ence, ho - ly
 3. Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; Help us



ceive the food of Your ho - ly word. Take Your truth, plant it
 rev - er - ence, true hu - mil - i - ty. Test our thoughts and our
 grasp the heights of Your plans for us. Truths un - changed from the



deep in us; Shape and fash - ion us in Your like - ness, that the
 at - ti - tudes in the ra - di - ance of Your pu - ri - ty. Cause our
 dawn of time, that will e - cho down through e - ter - ni - ty. And by



light of Christ might be seen to - day in our acts of love and our
 faith to rise, cause our eyes to see Your ma - jes - tic love and au -
 grace we'll stand on Your prom - is - es; And by faith we'll walk as You



deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and ful - fill in us all Your
 thor - i - ty. Words of pow'r that can nev - er fail; Let their
 walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built and the



pur - pos - es, for Your glo - ry.
 truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.
 earth is filled with Your glo - ry.

Sermon



Prayers of the Church Family and the Lord's Prayer

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Response after each petition

P Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

- P** O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

- P** Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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.**

Blessing

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

C **Amen.**

Song

By Your Blood

Christensen

Chorus x2, Verse, Chorus, Verse, Chorus x2

CHORUS

B \flat /C F 2

By Your blood I will come bold - ly,

Gm 7 C

run in - to Your pres - ence,

Gm 7 C F 2 B \flat /C

bow in hum - ble rev - rence be - fore Your throne: For the

F 2

blood of Christ has spo - ken, the

Gm 7 C

pow'r of sin's been bro - ken. the

Gm 7 C F Fine C/E

gates of heav'n are o - pen by Your blood. With Your

VERSE

Dm 7 Am 7

eyes of love up - on me, You have

continued on next page

Gm7 B \flat /C F C/E

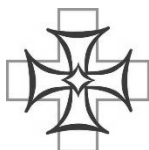
suf - fered in my place: O, the

Dm7 Am7

mark of sin up - on me, on - ly

Gm7 A \flat maj7 B \flat /C D.S. al Fine

mer - cy could e - raise. _____ By Your



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Resources for Meditation this Week

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

17 November 2024

Readings

Daniel 12:1–3

Hebrews 10:11–25

Mark 13:1–13

The Crucified and Risen Body of Christ Jesus Is the True Temple of God

Despite its “wonderful stones” and “great buildings,” the Jerusalem temple would be torn down, with not one stone left upon another, just as this present world and its kingdoms will come to an end (Mark 13:1–8). But that temple pointed beyond itself to Christ, to His sacrifice upon the cross and to the resurrection of His body as the true Temple of God. In the midst of sin and death, by the proclamation of the Gospel, He now gathers disciples into His body, wherein “*the one who endures to the end will be saved*” (Mark 13:10–13). For He is “*a great priest over the house of God,*” who “*will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.*” By the pure water of His Baptism, they “*draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith,*” and by His flesh and blood, they enter the Holy of Holies (Heb. 10:17–22). Thus are His people delivered, “*everyone whose name shall be found written in the book.*” For by the wisdom of His Gospel, He turns “*many to righteousness,*” so that “*many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake*” to everlasting life (Dan. 12:1–3).



Readings

Isaiah 51:4–6 or Daniel 7:9–10, 13–14

Jude 20–25 or Revelation 1:4b–8

Mark 13:24–37 or John 18:33–37

In Repentance We Are Alert to the Coming of Christ

The signs of the end are all around us, constant reminders that *“heaven and earth will pass away.”* But all of these signs are centered in the cross of Christ, whereby He has conquered sin and death, that we might be raised with Him in righteousness through His Word of the Gospel, which *“will not pass away”* (Mark 13:31). He is *“the firstborn of the dead,”* who in His great love *“has freed us from our sins by his blood”* (Rev. 1:5). His salvation is certain because *“his dominion is an everlasting dominion”* and His Kingdom *“shall not be destroyed”* (Dan. 7:14). For this purpose He came into the world, to reign in love through His voice of the Gospel, which is the truth (John 18:37). So is the righteousness of Christ *“a light to the peoples,”* which *“will never be dismayed”* because it is the justice of His cross and resurrection (Is. 51:4–6). As He *“is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory,”* so wait upon *“the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life”* (Jude 20–24).

