10:45 Celebration Worship Service



October 13th, 2024



Welcome to all, especially visitors! <u>It is no accident that you are here!</u> We've been praying for you. We believe God has brought you here and wants to touch your life. You are among friends.

- If you are visiting, please sign in on our guest sign in sheet in the Narthex Hallway. For important information regarding our church, please refer to the info sheet in your pew.
- *At our 10:45 service:* words for the hymns are projected on the screens at the front of the sanctuary.
- *For the hearing impaired:* hearing devices are available in the Narthex outside the sanctuary.
- *Restrooms:* To locate a restroom, exit the back of the worship area. Take two rights and proceed down the hallway. At the stairs, go left. The Women's Room is on the left, the Men's Room is straight ahead.
- *Holy Communion at ELC:* We welcome to the Lord's Table all the baptized people of God. Gluten free options and grape juice are available.
- *Nursery:* We have a fully staffed nursery for infants through children six years of age or children of any age with special needs. The nursery opens at 10:30 AM on Sunday morning for our 10:45 AM worship service. The nursery is equipped with a pager system to help parents feel at ease.
- **Photo Release Form:** Our 10:45 service is live-streamed to our Facebook Page and YouTube Channel. All children coming to the front for the Children's Message or Holy Communion will be visible on the live-feed. If you do not want your child's image online, please do not send them up to the front. If you are ok with it, please fill out a Photo Release Form located on the sign-up table in the Narthex and put it in the offering box.

*Criminal Background Checks have been done for all of our Nursery & Children's Ministry Volunteers.

October 13th, 2024 The 21st Sunday after Pentecost

The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND COMMUNITY SHARING

Please stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Gracious God,

C have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved.

In the name of + Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

C Amen.

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Please be seated

WORD

FIRST READING

Hebrews 4:12-16

We cannot hide our thoughts, desires, and actions from God, to whom we are completely accountable. Nevertheless, Jesus understands our human weakness and temptations, because he also experienced them. Therefore we can approach the throne of grace to receive divine mercy from Christ.

¹²Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

¹⁴Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

L The word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

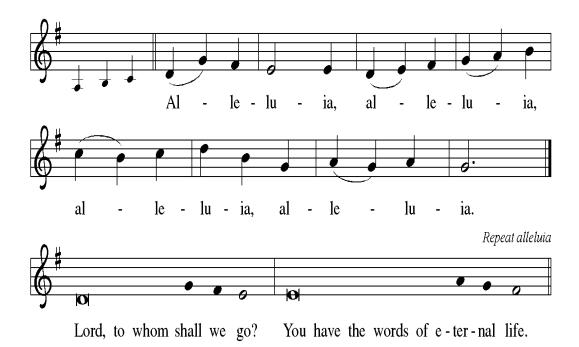
SECOND READING

We will read the Psalm responsively.

¹²So teach us to num-[|] ber our days that we may apply our [|] hearts to wisdom.
¹³Return, O LORD; how long [|] will you tarry? Be gracious [|] to your servants.
¹⁴Satisfy us by your steadfast love [|] in the morning; so shall we rejoice and be glad [|] all our days.
¹⁵Make us glad as many days as you af-[|] flicted us and as many years as we suf-[|] fered adversity.
¹⁶Show your ser-[|] vants your works, and your splendor [|] to their children.
¹⁷May the graciousness of the Lord our God [|] be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; pros-[|] per our handiwork.

Please stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL

Jesus has been teaching his disciples about what is most valued in God's eyes. Now, a conversation with a rich man brings his message home to the disciples in a way that is surprising but unforgettable.

P The holy gospel according to St. Mark the 10th Chapter. **C** Glory to you, **O** Lord.

¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" ²⁰He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

P The gospel of the Lord. C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

After the children's message, the children are welcomed to be a part of the Children's Worship that takes place in our Sunday School Room #108. Children return from Children's Worship during the sharing of the peace.

SERMON

Please stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesus, Priceless Treasure

Pastor D

ELW 775

David Wolfe

THE 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Members of Our Congregation: Don Cool, Mason Erwin, Sadie Garner, Karla Oller, Pam Wagaman, and Duke & Joann White.

Friends of the Congregation: Anna Batson, Annette Fillmore, Kathy Freese, Wayne Ford, Cullen Gaston, Jim Gleason, Naziha & Abraham Hanna, Paula Kline, Tyler Kreiter & Family, Dan Rovelstad, John Spagnoletti, Regina Spagnoletti, Susie Spagnoletti, Tony Stoops, William Swetcharnik, Dakota Thomas, Sherry Toomey, Renni Tressler, Joe Vance, Sue Vance, Mrs. Viscusi, and Sarah.

Please pray for our country during this election year and for the safety and protection of all candidates and all US voters.

Please pray for all those in Florida affected by Hurricane Milton.

(Names will be posted for a month. If you would like to have them on longer, please contact the church office.)

PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Please be seated

SPECIAL MUSIC

Speak and We Will Hear Celebration Choir J. Martin/J. Stevens

Please stand

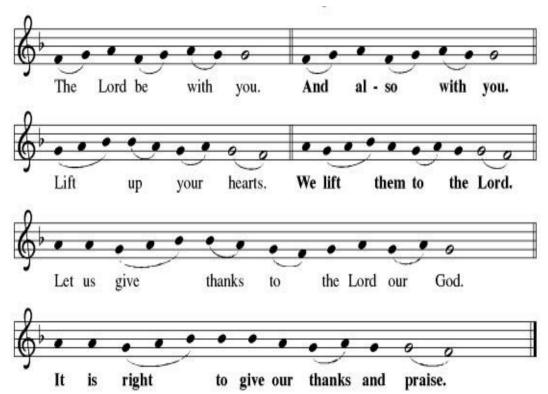
MEAL OFFERING PRAYER

P Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Thank you for your continuous support of ELC ministries. Your generosity is making a difference. Please place your offering in one of the boxes at the entrance to the Sanctuary. You are a blessing!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING DIALOGUE



PREFACE

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho _ ly, ho 1y, ho 1y Lord, God of earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho pow-er and might, heav-en and the high-est. in Blessed is he who comes in the san - na name of the Lord. Ho - san in the high - est. na

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P 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.

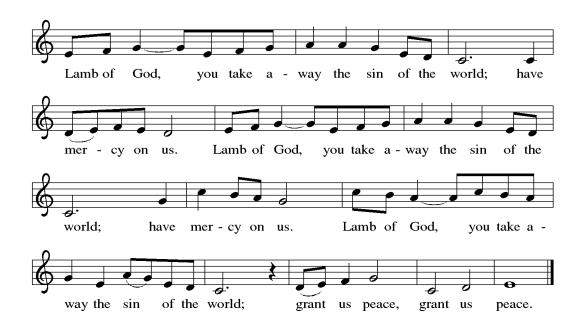
LORD'S PRAYER

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

P Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come here is your God. *Please be seated*

COMMUNION SONG



Please stand

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. Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

SENDING

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

Come, We That Love the Lord

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DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Follow Jesus. **C** Thanks be to God.

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