10:45 Celebration Worship Service



November 17th, 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.

November 17th The 26th Sunday after Pentecost

November begins with All Saints Day and ends in or near Advent, when we anticipate Christ's coming again. It is fitting, then, that the readings today tell of the final resurrection and the end time. In the turmoil of hope, fear, and disbelief that these predictions provoke in us, Hebrews sounds a note of confident trust. Christ makes a way for us where there is no way, and we walk it confidently, our hearts and bodies washed in baptismal water, trusting the one who has promised forgiveness. The more we see the last day approaching, the more important it is to meet together to provoke one another to love.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND COMMUNITY SHARING

Stewardship Video

Please stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, our refuge, our delight, our beginning and our end.

C Amen.

P Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,

C we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power.
We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest. Unbind us and set us free.
Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus.
Amen.

P These words are trustworthy and true: Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever. For his sake, you are + forgiven and God remembers your sin no more. Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation.

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 God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Please be seated

WORD

FIRST READING

Hebrews 10:11-14 19-25

The letter to the Hebrews describes Christ as a high priest who offers himself as a sacrifice for our sin. Christ does not die again and again each year. He died once, is alive with God, and will reveal himself on the last day.

¹¹ Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. ¹² But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," ¹³ and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." ¹⁴ For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

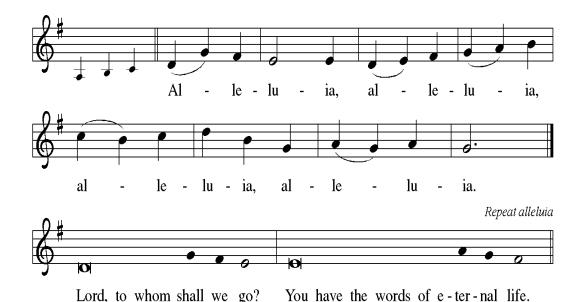
Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

GOSPEL Mark 13:1-8

In the last week of his life, Jesus warned his disciples concerning trials that were to come upon them and upon the world. He exhorts the listener: Do not be alarmed.

P The holy gospel according to St. Mark the 13th Chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" ²Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

³ When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴ "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" ⁵Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. 6 Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs."

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

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 Pastor D

Please stand

HYMN OF THE DAY Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

Please be seated

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS

Dylan & Steph, Elwood, Finn, and Gideon Black Josh Dennis & Jara Greene Al & Ruthie Good Jennifer, Collin, and Emma Jones Vic & Pat Martin Jennifer, Miles, and Molly Melville Todd & Rey Rankin Jason & Sue Snyder Kery, Brenna, Bradley, Daniel, and Joey Swope Bill & Linda Wepking Mike & Karen Yates

Please stand

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, Betty Emory, Hank Erwin, Mason Erwin, Greg Mason, Janeen McChesney, Karla Oller, Pam Wagaman, Duke White, and the family of Faith Zahm.

Friends of the Congregation: Anna Batson, Annette Fillmore, Sue Fletcher Kathy Freese, Wayne Ford, Cullen Gaston, Naziha & Abraham Hanna, Ronald Heldibridle, Paula Kline, Tyler Kreiter & Family, David & Jannie Moltrup, Jean Rick, Dan Rovelstad, Larry Shaak, John Spagnoletti, Regina Spagnoletti, Susie Spagnoletti, Tony Stoops, Dakota Thomas, Sherry Toomey, Renni Tressler, and Mrs. Viscusi,

(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

This is the Day
Joyful Noise Children's Choir

Cindy Barry

Please stand

MEAL

OFFERING & COMMITMENT PRAYER

P Let us pray. Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup, you offered yourself in love for the world, and in this meal you nourish us with your life. On this Commitment Sunday, fill us with your abundance, that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger, trusting in your name. Help us to respond to your love, grace, and mercy for us with loving and giving hearts. Grant us a spirit of generosity and help us to fulfill your purpose as we fully give ourselves and our blessings to you.

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!

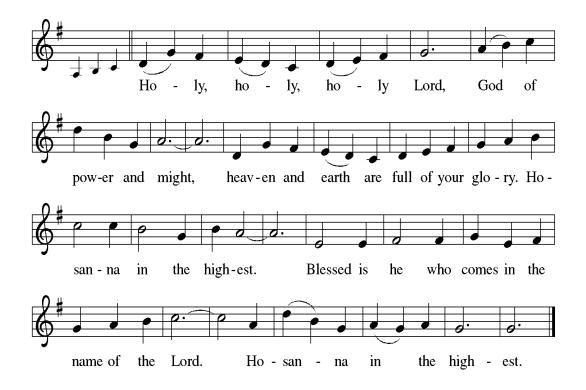
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING DIALOGUE



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:

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

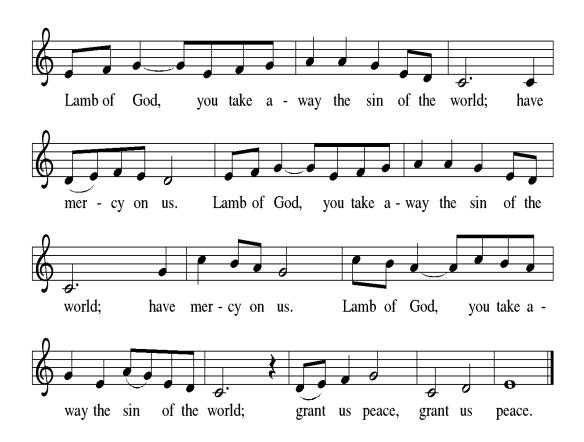
P Behold, God is making all things new. Take your place in the new creation.

Please be seated

OFFERING OF COMMITMENT CARDS

As you come to Holy Communion, please place your commitment cards into the offering plates.

COMMUNION SONG



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. Faithful God, you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink in the body and blood of your Son. Now send us out to labor with you, in service to the world you have made, and among the people you have made your home, in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

SENDING

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

Canticle of the Turning

ELW 723

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

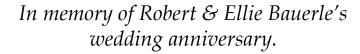
C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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