

Last Sunday of the Church Year

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD NOVEMBER 23, 2025 | 10:30 AM

Holy Communion will be Continuous today.

Gluten Free Communion Wafers are available upon request.

Holy Communion is...

- † The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ received "in, with, and under" the bread and wine for God's People. *Matthew* 26:26, 28
- † Coming to the table believing the words "given and shed FOR YOU." Preparation might involve three questions:

Do I believe in the Lord Jesus Christ? Am I sorry for my sins? Am I ready to lead a new life?

† God's grace in "forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation."

Matthew 26:28; 1 Peter 1:18-19; Romans 6:8-9; Romans 8:31-32



Alleluia. Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise. Alleluia.

Luke 23:43



Welcome to worship at the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd. Please scan the QR Code to register as our guest. You can also sign the Guest Registry located at the entrance to our Sanctuary.

Please turn off all electronic devices during our worship together, so that we can give glory to God without distraction.

Nursery: The room located at the back of the sanctuary (with windows into the sanctuary), has been set aside for children to be able to play comfortably during Worship. At this time, we ask a parent to remain with their child while using this space. There is a sound system located on the wall to the right after entering the room which allows you to listen to the service.

Please feel free to ask an Elder to assist you as needed.

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Welcome

Prelude

Hymn

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

LSB 892



- 1 Come, ye thank-ful peo ple, come; Raise the song of har-vest home.
- 2 All the world is God's own field, Fruit un to His praise to yield;
- 3 For the Lord, our God, shall come And shall take His har-vest home,
- 4 E ven so, Lord, quick ly come To Thy fi nal har vest home;



All be safe - ly gath - ered in Ere the win - ter storms be - gin; Wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, Un - to joy or sor - row grown. From His field shall in that day All of - fens - es purge a - way, Gath - er Thou Thy peo - ple in, Free from sor - row, free from sin,



God, our mak - er, doth pro-vide For our wants to be sup-plied. First the blade and then the ear. Then the full corn shall ap - pear. Give His an - gels charge at last the fire the In tares to cast. There, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, In Thy gar - ner to a - bide:



Come to God's own tem-ple, come; Raise the song of har-vest home. Lord of har-vest, grant that we Whole-some grain and pure may be. But the fruit-ful ears to store In His gar-ner ev-er-more. Come with all Thine an-gels, come, Raise the glo-rious har-vest home.

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The Holy Baptism of Taylor Marie La Vay

All stand and face the baptismal font.

Invocation

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Baptismal Address

P Dearly beloved, Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." In the last chapter of Mark our Lord promises, "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." And the apostle Peter has written, "Baptism now saves you." The Word of God also teaches that we are all conceived and born sinful and are under the power of the devil until Christ claims us as His own.

Therefore, depart you unclean spirit, and make room for the Holy Spirit in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Giving the Sign of the Cross

P How is this child to be named?

(Parents respond)

R Taylor Marie

P Taylor Marie, receive the sign of the holy cross upon your

→ forehead and upon your

→ heart, to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

Address to Sponsors

From ancient times, the Christian Church has observed the custom of appointing sponsors for baptismal candidates. As a sponsor, it is your task to confess with the whole Church the faith in our God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, in whose name Taylor Marie is to be baptized.

After she has been baptized you are at all times to remember Taylor in your prayers, put her in mind of her Baptism, and, as much as in you lies, give your counsel and aid, especially if she should lose her parents, that she be brought up in the true knowledge and worship of God and be taught the Ten Commandments, the Creed, and the Lord's Prayer, and that, as she grows in years, you place in her hands the Holy Scriptures, bring her to the services of God's house, and provide for her further instruction in the Christian faith, that she come to the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood and thus, abiding in her baptismal grace and in communion with the Church, she may grow up to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Jesus Christ.

Is it your intention gladly and willingly to serve Taylor as a sponsor in the Christian faith?

- R Yes, with the help of God.
- P God enable you both to do and to will this faithful and loving work and with his grace fulfill what we are unable to do
- C Amen.

Baptismal Gospel Mark 10:13–16

P Hear the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

They brought young children to [Jesus] that he might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it he was greatly displeased and said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it." And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Renunciation of the Devil and Confession of Faith

- We shall all, together with sponsors and parents, faithfully speak along with Taylor in testimony of the forgiveness of sin and the birth of the life of faith which God our Father bestows in and through Baptism.
- P Taylor, do you renounce the devil?
- Yes, I renounce him.
- P Do you renounce all his works?
- Yes, I renounce them.
- **P** Do you renounce all his ways?
- Yes, I renounce them.
- P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?
- C Yes, I believe.
- Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he will come to judge the living and the dead?
- Yes, I believe.
- **P** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting?
- Yes, I believe.

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.

Baptism of Taylor Marie La Vay

- P Taylor Marie, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life → everlasting. Peace be with you.
- C Amen.

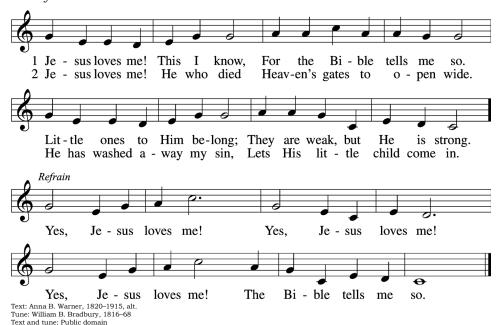
(A lighted candle is given to the sponsors.)

Presentation of the Baptismal Candle

Receive this burning Light. Live always by the light of Christ, and be ever watchful for His coming, that you may meet Him with joy and enter with him to the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which shall have no end.

Welcoming the Newly Baptized

- P Through Baptism, God has added Taylor Marie to his own people to declare the wonderful deeds of our Savior, who has called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.
- We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, to work with us in His kingdom.
- And you, Taylor Marie, the Lord bless you in all your ways from this time forth and even forevermore.
- C Amen.



Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, You reign among us by the preaching of Your cross. Forgive Your people their offenses that we, being governed by Your bountiful goodness, may enter at last into Your eternal paradise; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Malachi 3:13-18

 $^{13}\mbox{"Your}$ words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, 'How have we spoken against you?' $^{14}\mbox{You}$ have said, 'It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts? $^{15}\mbox{And}$ now we call the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape."

¹⁶Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before

him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name. ¹⁷ They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. ¹⁸ Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 46; antiphon: v. 7

¹God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

²Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,

³though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

⁵God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.

⁶The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.

⁷The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

⁸Come, behold the works of the LORD, how he has brought desolations on the earth.

⁹He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.

10"Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"

¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

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.

Epistle Colossians 1:13–20

¹³He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia



Holy Gospel Luke 23:27–43

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-third chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁷And there followed [Jesus] a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. ²⁸But turning to them Jesus said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹For behold, the days are coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!' ³⁰Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us,' and to the hills, 'Cover us.' ³¹For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

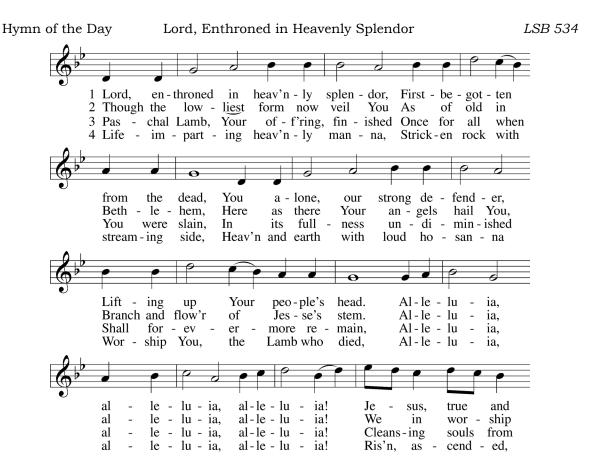
³²Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

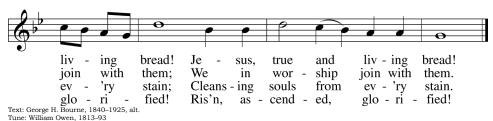
³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Children's Message





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Sermon

Pastor Timothy Boerger

Offering

Anthem

Thanksgiving

For seedtime and harvest and the good will of men, We give thanks to God the Father once again; For shelter in winter, for the thaw in the spring, Our praise and thanksgiving to the Lord now we bring.

For those we have loved who have gone on before Through that shining bright celestial door; For all who shall follow in their place, We implore Thy continuing saving grace.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

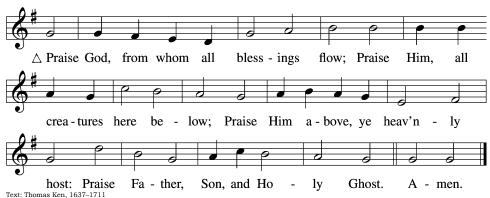
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Stand

Offertory

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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Service of the Sacrament

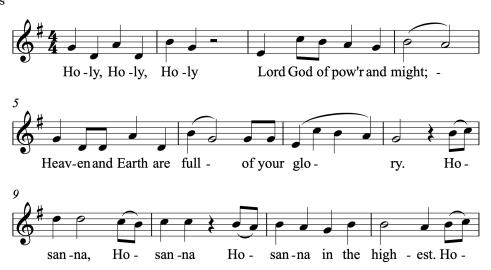
Preface LSB 160

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface (Full)

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus











Lord's Prayer LSB 162

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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 Our Lord

P 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."

Pax Domini LSB 163

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

Agnus Dei



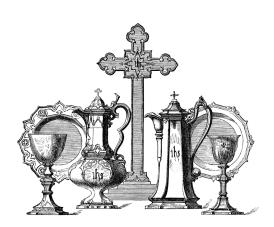
Distribution (Continuous)

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Amen.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

Amen.





In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

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taste and see—

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The Dismissal

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.

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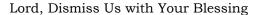
good.

Amen.

blood.

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Stand





Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction LSB 166

- The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and

 → give you peace.
- C Amen.

Hymn to Depart



Text: 76 76 with refrain; Cecil Francis H. Alexander, 1818–1895, alt. Music: Trad. English melody; adapt. by Martin Shaw, 1875–1958.

Announcements

Dismissal

Postlude



Colossians 1:18a – "And he is the head of the body, the church." We are part of the Body of Christ; He is our Head. Where He goes, we follow. His thoughts direct our actions. This is how the people of God learn how to give and why they give. Because Jesus gives, indeed He gives all He has.

Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd Ministries for November 23 – November 30, 2025		
Sunday, 11/23	9:15 AM 9:15 AM 9:15 AM 10:30 AM 1:00PM	Confirmation Class Adult Bible Study Worship – Eucharist
Monday, 11/24	8:00 PM	AA (FLW)
Tuesday, 11/25	11:00 AM 5:30 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Confirmation Class Stephens Ministry Meeting
Thursday, 11/27	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	
Friday, 11/28	8:00 PM	AA (FLW)
Saturday, 11/29	1:00 PM 3:00 PM 6:00 PM	3
Sunday, 11/30	9:15 AM 9:15 AM 9:15 AM 10:30 AM 1:00PM	Confirmation Class Adult Bible Study
*ICFC = Indonesian Christian Fellowship Church		

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