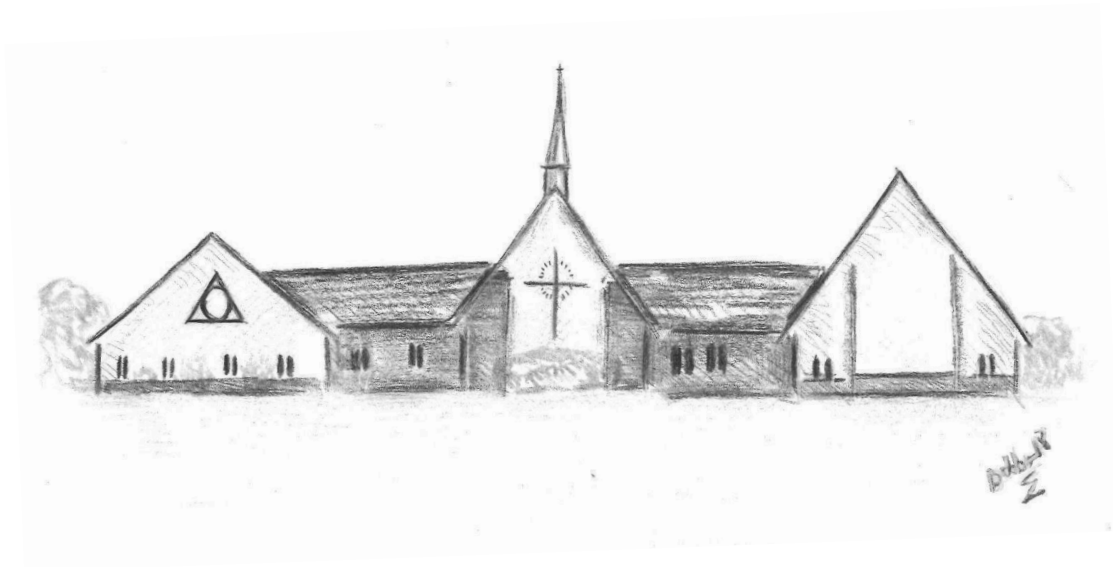


Twenty Third Sunday After Pentecost November 16, 2025



OUR MISSION:

***To make disciples for Jesus Christ,
to baptize and to teach the faith,
that all may know the hope of Jesus Christ
and become responsible members of His church.***

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INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

The end is near. There is no doubt about it. The warnings are dire. The tone of today's texts is ominous. But the baptized know how to live in the meantime. The baptized are strengthened for the living of these days in word and sacrament. The baptized rally around the invitation of the apostle: "Do not be weary in doing what is right."

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The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of Abbey & Lea Dungan's birthday by Ann Dungan.

PRELUDE MUSIC

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to all who are visiting today. Please complete a purple visitor's card which can be found on the clipboard in the pew chair in front of you, and place in the offering plate. May your hopes be restored, spirits lifted and your enthusiasm renewed when you visit here.

P Now, let our singing help us clear our hearts and minds for worship.

WELCOME SONG

ACS 918

Now Is the Time of Grace

The musical score is written on two staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a first ending bracket over the first four measures, followed by a second ending bracket over the last four measures. The second staff continues the melody. The lyrics are written below the notes.

1 Now is the time of grace, 2 now is the day of sal - va - tion.

Turn now, and seek God's face, now be-hold God's in-vi - ta - tion.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950, based on 2 Corinthians 6:2 and Isaiah 58:6-9

Music: TIME OF GRACE, Marty Haugen

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GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

P Please rise.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

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 in the presence of God
and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Faithful God,

C **you have shown us the ways of your heart,
yet we stray from your paths.
We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression
and do not embrace the freedom
of your faithful promises.
We ignore our neighbors.
We exploit the earth.
We reject your abundance,
trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love.
Repair our relationships,
restore what we have broken,
renew our hearts,
and bring us to new life.
Amen.**

P Hear the good news:
God the Faithful One loves you,
✙ in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.

C **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG

ELW 785

When Peace, like a River *It Is Well with My Soul*



- 1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when
- 2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let
- 3 He lives—oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; my
- 4 Lord, has - ten the day when our faith shall be sight, the



sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast
this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my
sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I
clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trum - pet shall sound and the



taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.
help - less es - tate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.
bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
Lord shall de - scend; e - ven so it is well with my soul.



It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828-1888
Music: VILLE DU HAVRE, Philip P. Bliss, 1838-1876

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.
- C **O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**
- P Please be seated.

WORD

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

First Reading: Malachi 4:1-2a

Malachi, whose name means “my messenger,” warns that “the day is coming.” On that day, the evil will be destroyed like stubble in a fire, but the “sun of righteousness” will shine on those who honor God.

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.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 98

- L ¹ Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done marvelous things,
whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.
- C ² **O LORD, you have made known your victory,
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.**
- L 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.
- C ⁴ **Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands;
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.**
- L ⁵ Sing to the LORD with the harp,
with the harp and the voice of song.
- C ⁶ **With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before the king, the LORD.**
- L ⁷ Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,
the world and those who dwell therein.
- C ⁸ **Let the rivers clap their hands,
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,
who comes to judge the earth.**
- L ⁹ The LORD will judge the world with righteousness
and the peoples with equity.
- P Please rise.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

7

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al-le - lu - ia.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al-le -



lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Luke 21:5-19

P The holy gospel according to Luke, the twenty first chapter.

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

As history moves toward God's fulfillment there will be frightening signs and events. Before the end, believers will draw strength from their relationship to God and will be given the words they need to testify and to endure without fear.

⁵ When 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.”

⁷ They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” ⁸ And 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.” ¹⁰ Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹ there 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. ¹³ This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴ So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, ¹⁵ for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷ You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your souls.”

P The gospel of the Lord.

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

P Please be seated.

SERMON

The Reverend Karen Nelson, Pastor

P Please rise.

SERMON HYMN

ELW 780

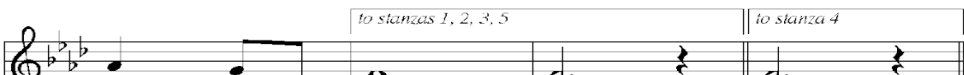
Shepherd Me, O God

Refrain
All



Shep-herd me, O God, be-yond my wants, be-yond my fears, from

to stanzas 1, 2, 3, 5 *to stanza 4*



death in-to life. life.

Leader or All



1 God is my shep-herd, so noth-ing shall I want, I
2 Gent-ly you raise me and heal my wea-ry soul, you
3 Though I should wan-der the val-ley of death, I



rest in the mead-ows of faith-ful-ness and love, I
lead me by path-ways of righ-teous-ness and truth, my
fear no e-vil, for you are at my side, your

Refrain



walk by the qui-et wa-ters of peace.
spir-it shall sing the mu-sic of your name.
rod and your staff, my com-fort and my hope.

Leader or All



4 You have set me a ban-quet of love in the face of

Refrain



ha-tred, crown-ing me with love be-yond my pow'r to hold.

Leader or All



5 Surc-ly your kind-ness and mer-cy fol-low me all the days of my life;



I will dwell in the house of my God for-ev-er-more.

Final refrain
All



Shep-herd me, O God, be-yond my wants, be-



yond my fears, from death in-to life.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950, based on Psalm 23

Music: SHEPHERD ME, Marty Haugen

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APOSTLES' CREED

P Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

C **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.

P Please sit or kneel.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L Let us pray.

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

A brief silence.

L God of roots and branches, defend the leaders of your church as they proclaim the gospel using discernment, wisdom, and brave testimony. Keep all the baptized on righteous paths in response to Christ's call. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

L God of roaring seas, in a world of earthquake, famine, and plague, use your mighty power to nurture the land and all that lives upon it. Restore peoples and places experiencing natural disasters. Strengthen organizations who provide aid to any in crisis. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

L God of victory, among quests for power, guide those in government, courts, law enforcement agencies, and the military. Turn them from war and violence to actions of care that build up the common good. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

L God of healing, where injustice and exploitation result in populations that are marginalized or underserved, accompany those abandoned by friends, hurt by family, and harmed by violence or oppression. Care for all who are ill, anxious, or in pain of any kind.

We especially pray for those who are unable to be with us today: Sandy, Dot, Nancy, Diane & Joan.

For those in need of God's healing love and strength: Susan, Sara, Georgia, John, Tom, Karen, Joan, Peggy, Marita, Anna, Tilly, Heather, Melodie, Margie, Ray, Frank, Charles, Steve, Rick, Mike, Christine, Lucas, Leslie, Jim, Carol, Bob, Greg & Melissa.

For those in need of God's guidance, protection and strength:
Mark

In gratitude for God's abundance.

For those who are grieving the loss of a loved one:
For the Viss family upon the death of Norman's mother Charlotte.
For the friends and family of Jean Sweeney.

For those who serve and protect our nation: Jordan, Brian, Craig & Eve.

And for those who we hold in our hearts, and those whose needs are known only to you God.

Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

L God of new songs, in a congregation of faithful believers, energize us for compassionate service and delight us through worship and inspired prayer. Encourage your people in building an equitable community where all are valued. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

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

C Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

- P Please rise.
P The peace of Christ be with you always.
C **And also with you.**

While we sing, you may turn to those sitting closest to you to offer, and receive, the peace and reconciliation which is possible only through Christ.

Peace

The musical score for 'Peace' is written for a single melodic line in 4/4 time, with a tempo of 70 beats per minute. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some measures containing rests. The lyrics are written below the staff, and the chords are indicated above the staff. The score is divided into two systems, with the second system starting at measure 5.

Chords: B $\flat$, E $\flat$, F⁷, B $\flat$, E $\flat$, F, B $\flat$, B $\flat$ ⁷, B $\flat$, E $\flat$, F⁷, B $\flat$, Gm, Gm/E $\flat$, F, 1. B $\flat$, 2. E $\flat$ B $\flat$

Lyrics: Pe - ace to you! God's Pe - ace to you. I share Go - d's Peace with you - - -
Pe - ace to you! God's Pe - ace to you. I share Go - d's Peace with you!

- P Please be seated.

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P Please rise.

OFFERING PRAYER

P God of healing and hope,
you bless those who are hungry,
promising to fill them with good things.
Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts.
Nourish us with the abundance of your feast
and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior,
now and forever.

C Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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 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:

SANCTUS

The musical score for the Sanctus is written in 6/8 time with a tempo marking of quarter note = 65. The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The score consists of three staves of music, each with lyrics and chord symbols.

Staff 1: *Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord Go - d of po - wer and might. Hea - ven and earth are*
Chords: G, Am, F, Dm⁷, G, C, G

Staff 2: *full of your glo - ry Ho - sa - nna in the high - est! Bless - ed is He who comes*
Chords: Am, Em, F, Am, G, C, G, Am

Staff 3: *i - n the name of the Lor - d Ho - sa - nna in the high - est!*
Chords: F, Em, F, G, C

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.

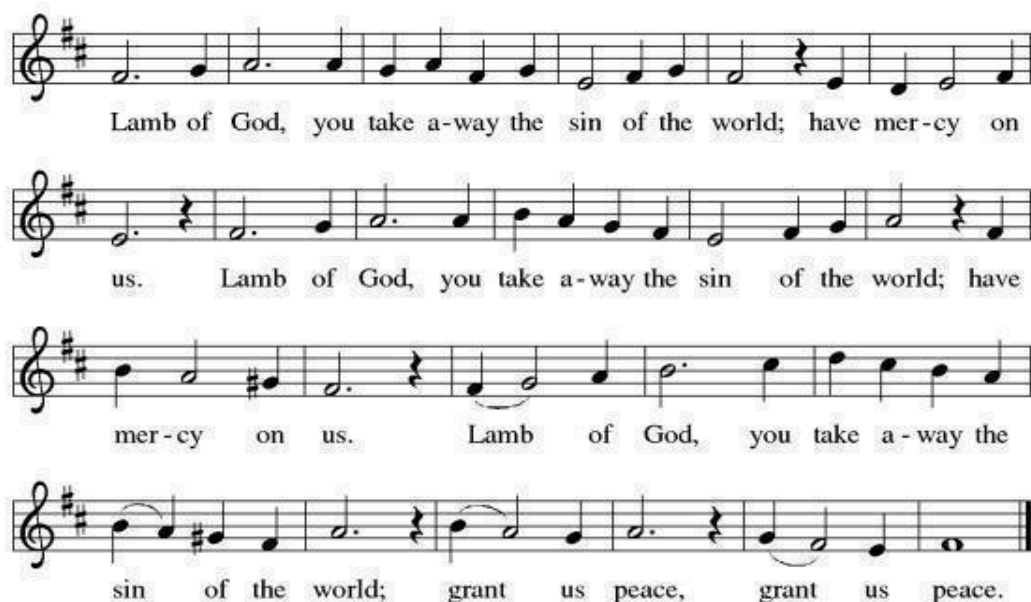
LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

P Please be seated until the invitation.

LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION

- P The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
- C Amen.

To receive Holy Communion please come by the center aisle to the pastor to receive the bread (wafer) and then proceed to the communion assistant for intinction (dipping your wafer in the wine) and then eat, then return to your seat by the side aisle.

Non alcoholic wine is used at all services.

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If you are not communing and desire a personal blessing please come to Pastor with your hands at your sides.

P Please rise.

COMMUNION BLESSING

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you forever in his grace.

C **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P 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.

C **Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord look upon you with his favor, and give you his peace.
In the name of the Father, ✙ and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

*Examine me, O Lord, and prove me; try... my heart. Psa. 26:2
Grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. 2 Pet. 3:18; 2 Tim. 2:22*

1. Lord, I want to be a Chris - tian In my heart, in my heart;
2. Lord, I want to be more lov - ing In my heart, in my heart;
3. Lord, I want to be more ho - ly In my heart, in my heart;
4. Lord, I want to be like Je - sus In my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be a Chris - tian In my heart.
Lord, I want to be more lov - ing In my heart.
Lord, I want to be more ho - ly In my heart.
Lord, I want to be like Je - sus In my heart.

Refrain
In my heart, In my heart, in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be a Chris - tian In my heart.
Lord, I want to be more lov - ing In my heart.
Lord, I want to be more ho - ly In my heart.
Lord, I want to be like Je - sus In my heart.

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P Go in peace. Do not lose heart.
C Thanks be to God.

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This week at Trinity

Thursday November 20: TAG cards and games group meets at 1 pm. Join us to play favorite games and learn some new ones. Contact Jan Contino at 610.324.2003.

Looking Ahead

Sunday November 23: Helping Hands are needed to prepare the sanctuary for Advent. Please plan to stay after worship.

Deadline November 23: The Daily Bread food pantry is again collecting frozen turkeys and grocery gift cards for families in need for Thanksgiving. Drop these off at the Food Drive.

Friday December 5: Interactive Nativity 5-7 pm. Pet live animals, talk to angels and shepherds, pose for pictures in the stable, hot cocoa, cookies and children's craft.

Deadline December 7: The stuffed animal collection for Gemma Services continues! Bring your stuffed animal during November and drop it off in the Pastor's office. Also, gifts are being collected for children supported by KenCrest Services by participating in our Angel Tree project. See the Angel Tree in the narthex.

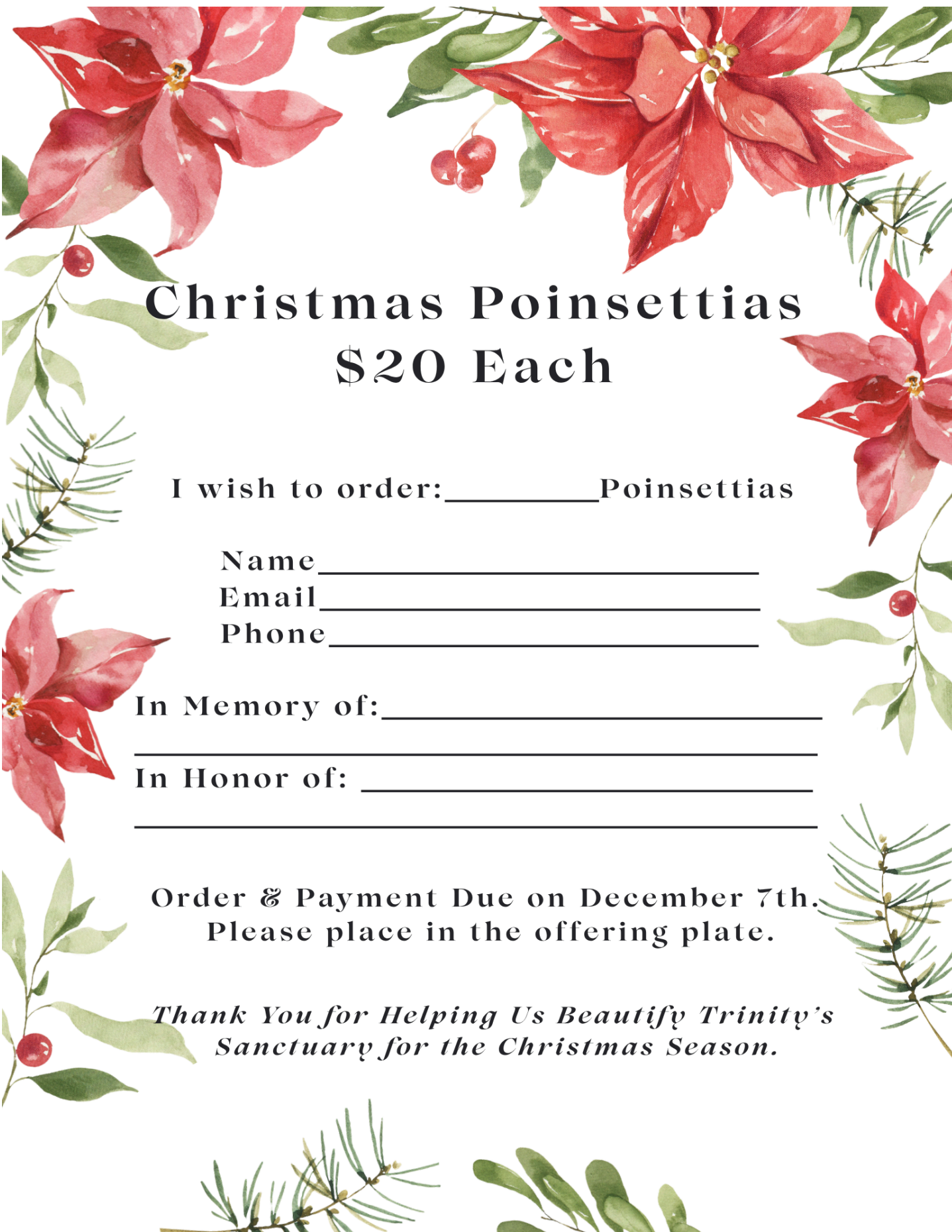
Wednesday December 10: Dine & Donate to benefit the Country Fair at MaGerks Pub & Grill in Royersford. See Craig Moyer or Ray Nyahay to get a flyer to give to your server.

Saturday December 13: Ed Bara in concert at Trinity 7 PM. More info about tickets to come.



Serving Today 11/16	
Lector	Anne Waskiewicz
Greeter	Jennifer DePaulis
Communion Assistants	Alma Nowmos & Lynn Chialastri
Ushers	Dan & Drina Ditzler
Coffee Hour	Ann Dungan & Kristin Stoeber
Building Opener	Bob Graves
Altar Guild	Priscilla Myers
Counting Team	Jeff & Becky Shadle, Sharon Wilson
Serving Sunday 11/23	
Lector	Janet Fontaine
Greeter	Sally Jeffries
Communion Assistants	Peter Schell & Marilou Doughty
Ushers	Karl Schafer & Bob Chambers
Coffee Hour	Meg Smith & Leslie Askonas
Building Opener	Rick Cole
Altar Guild	Linda Stone
Counting Team	Jeff & Becky Shadle, Sharon Wilson





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