

St. Paul Lutheran Church
22nd Sunday after Pentecost November 8 & 9, 2025

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Children's Message

(Sunday only)

Please rise in body or spirit

Confession and Forgiveness

Screen

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 "Jerusalem, My Happy Home" Screen or ELW #628



1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home, when shall I come to thee?
2 O hap - py har - bor of the saints, O sweet and pleas - ant soil!
3 Thy gar - dens and thy gal - lant walks con - tin - ual - ly are green;
4 There trees for - ev - er - more bear fruit and ev - er - more do spring;
5 Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, God grant that I may see



When shall my sor - rows have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?
In thee no sor - row may be found, no grief, no care, no toil.
there grow such sweet and pleas - ant flow'rs as no - where else are seen.
there ev - er - more the an - gels sit and ev - er - more do sing.
thine end - less joy, and of the same par - tak - er ev - er be!

Text: F. B. P., 16th cent.

Music: LAND OF REST, North American traditional

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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.**

Kyrie

Screen

L: In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

L: For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world,
for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

L: For your people here who have come to give you praise,
for the strength to live your word, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

L: Help, save, and defend us, O God.

C: Amen.

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Refrain



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God. *Refrain*



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er. *Refrain*



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



God; to make all things new. *Refrain*

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Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. O God,

C: our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The congregation is invited to be seated.

WORD

First Reading – Job 19:23-27a

Screen

A: A reading from the book of Job.

A: ²³ “O that my words were written down!

O that they were inscribed in a book!

²⁴ O that with an iron pen and with lead
they were engraved on a rock forever!

²⁵ For I know that my vindicator lives
and that in the end he will stand upon the earth;

²⁶ and after my skin has been destroyed,
then in my flesh I shall see God,

^{27a} whom I shall see on my side,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.”

A: Word of God, Word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm – Psalm 17:1-9

Screen

A: We will read the Psalm responsively by whole verse.

A: Hear a just cause, O Lord; give heed to my cry;
listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.

**C: Let my vindication come forth from your presence;
let your eyes be fixed on justice.**

A: Examine my heart, visit me by night,
melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.

**C: I have not regarded what others do;
at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent.**

A: My footsteps hold fast to your well-worn path;
and my feet do not slip.

**C: I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me;
incline your ear to me and hear my words.**

A: Show me your marvelous lovingkindness,
O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise
against them.

**C: Keep me as the apple of your eye;
hide me under the shadow of your wings,**

A: from the wicked who assault me,
from my deadly enemies who surround me.

Second Reading – 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5,13 -17

Screen

A: A reading from the book of 2 Thessalonians.

A: ¹ As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ² not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. ³ Let no one deceive you in any way, for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. ⁴ He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. ⁵ Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you? ¹³ But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴ For this purpose he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. ¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷ comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

A: Word of God, Word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Please rise in body or spirit.

Gospel Acclamation

Screen

Congregation:

Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we

go? You have the words of e - ter - nal

life. Al - le - lu - ia! *Optional Repeat*

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P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 20th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

P: ²⁷ Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] ²⁸ and asked him a question: "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹ Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; ³⁰ then the second ³¹ and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³² Finally the woman also died. ³³ In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her." ³⁴ Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵ but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶ Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷ And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸ Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive."

P: The Gospel of our Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

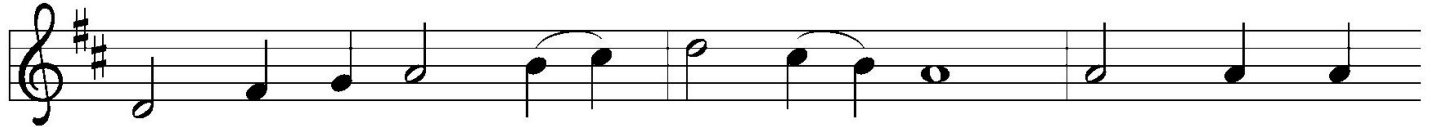
The congregation is invited to be seated

Sermon

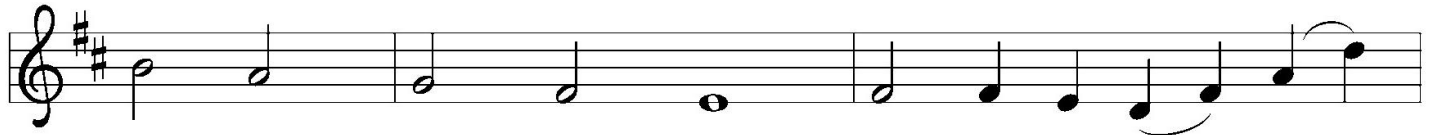
Please rise in body or spirit.

Hymn of the Day

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives!" Screen or ELW #619 vs.1,2,7,8



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What com - fort
2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; he lives e -
3 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; he lives to
4 He lives to si - lence all my fears; he lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, he lives, who
ter - nal - ly to save; he lives ex - alt - ed,
guide me with his eye; he lives to com - fort
wipe a - way my tears; he lives to calm my



once was dead; he lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!
throned a - bove; he lives to rule his church in love.
me when faint; he lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.
trou - bled heart; he lives all bless - ings to im - part.

5 He lives to bless me with his love;
he lives to plead for me above;
he lives my hungry soul to feed;
he lives to help in time of need.

7 He lives and grants me daily breath;
he lives, and I shall conquer death;
he lives my mansion to prepare;
he lives to bring me safely there.

6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
he lives and loves me to the end;
he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing;
he lives, my prophet, priest, and king!

8 He lives, all glory to his name!
He lives, my Savior, still the same;
what joy this blest assurance gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

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**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.**

Prayers of Intercession

Screen

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

A brief silence.

A: God our Redeemer, bless your church universal and its leaders. Set all hearts on you from generation to generation in anticipation of Christ's return. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: God of life, we give thanks for the fruits and grains of harvest, for rivers and streams, for all that is made of rock and iron. Renew the earth's natural resources and the lands from which they come. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: God of justice, we give thanks for the service of our veterans and pray for those needing support for wounds of any kind. Strengthen those charged with the governance and protection of vulnerable populations. Bring an end to war throughout the world. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: God who leads us to belief and truth, we give thanks that you are always and already here. Nurture and support those who are unsteady in mind, unsafe in spirit, or unwell in body especially Eva Cowley, Barb Strom, Deb Liebzeit,

Chase Flynn, Connie Clayton, Bonnie Bollman, Terry McCarter, Connie Laidig, and those we name aloud or in our hearts... *brief silence....* Comfort those who suffer from trauma and exposure to traumatic events. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: God who gathers us together, we give thanks for our pastors and deacons, teachers and musicians, administrators, and building caretakers. May they find joy in leadership as we grow in faith together. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: God of the saints, we give thanks for all who have died in faith. Uplift us as we honor their memory and await your coming in glory. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: 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.

Prayer requests can be submitted to the church office by phone or email.

Peace P: The peace of Christ be with you all. **C: And, also with you!**

Please share a sign of Christ's peace however you feel comfortable.

The congregation is invited to be seated.

MEAL

Offering

General and special offerings may be placed in the plates by the doors as we enter or depart. In addition to the offering that supports the ministry of St. Paul, the children of St. Paul receive a weekly Children's Offering. Their offering this month will support the LSSI Holiday Hope Chest. We thank the children and youth for their help collecting the children's offering!

Offering Song

"Come to the Table"

Screen or ELW #481



Come to the ta - ble of mer - cy, pre - pared with the wine and the bread.



All who are hun - gry and thirst - y, come, and your souls will be fed.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re - ceive from his nail - scarred hand.



Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

Text: Claire Cloninger, b. 1942

Music: COME TO THE TABLE, Martin J. Nystrom, b. 1956

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Please rise in body or spirit.

Offering Prayer

Screen

P: God of healing and hope,

C: 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. Amen.

Holy Communion

Screen

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 God 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 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:

Congregation:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and

might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

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Words of Institution

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, Jesus 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."

The 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.

Invitation to Communion

P: There is a place for you at the table of God. Come, receive the food that does not perish, a taste of life eternal

The congregation is invited to be seated.

Distribution of Holy Communion

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say "The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you."

Each person may respond, "**amen**".

St. Paul Lutheran Church and the ELCA practice "open table" communion. This is Christ's table; Jesus is our host. Everyone is invited and welcome to receive Holy Communion!

Communion Songs

Lamb of God

Screen



1. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
2. Lamb of God, you break the chains of ha - tred and fear;
3. Lamb of God, you are the way of jus - tice and peace:
4. Lamb of God, you are the way of mer - cy and love:



have mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us.



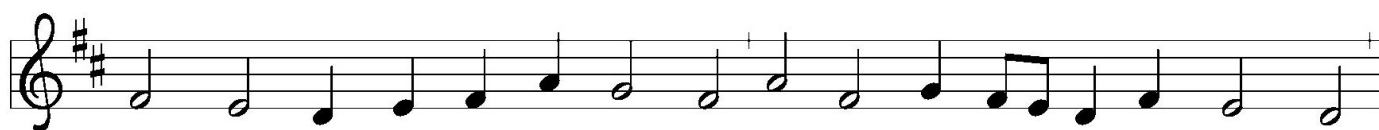
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world:



grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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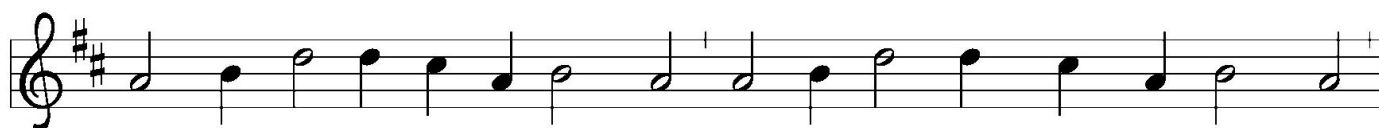
"Now We Join in Celebration" Screen or ELW #491



- 1 Now we join in cel - e - bra - tion at our Sav - ior's in - vi - ta - tion,
- 2 Lord, as round this feast we gath - er, fill our hearts with ho - ly rap - ture!
- 3 Lord, we share in this com - mu - nion as one fam - 'ly of God's chil - dren,



dressed no more in spir - it som - ber, clothed in - stead in joy and won - der;
For this bread and cup of bless - ing are for us the sure pos - sess - ing
rec - on - ciled through you, our broth - er, one in you with God our Fa - ther.



for the Lord of all ex - is - tence, put - ting off di - vine tran - scen - dence,
of your lov - ing deed on Cal - v'ry, of your liv - ing self, our vic - t'ry,
Give us grace to live for oth - ers, serv - ing all, both friends and strang - ers,



stoops a - gain in love to meet us, with his ver - y life to feed us.
pledge of your un - fail - ing pres - ence, fore - taste here of heav' - n - ly glad - ness.
seek - ing jus - tice, love, and mer - cy till you come in fi - nal glo - ry.

Text: Joel W. Lundeen, 1918–1990

Music: SCHMÜCKE DICH, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

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Please rise in body or spirit

Post Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C: Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

A: Let us pray, God of field and flower, wheat and grape,

**C: 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. Amen.

SENDING

Blessing

P: The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you, God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead. The holy Trinity bless you ☩ and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever.

C: Amen.

Sending Song "Soon and Very Soon" Screen or ELW #439



1 Soon and ver - y soon
2 No more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,
3 No more dy - in' there,
4 Soon and ver - y soon



soon and ver - y soon
no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,
no more dy - in' there,
soon and ver - y soon



soon and ver - y soon
no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King.
no more dy - in' there,
soon and ver - y soon



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -



jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

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Music: VERY SOON, Andraé Crouch
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Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Share the harvest.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Leading Worship

Musician: Kathy Sheridan

Preacher: Pastor Riley

Presider: Pastor Anthony

Worship Assistant: Saturday: Lester Hallquist Sunday: Patti Larsen

Youth Worship Helpers: Luis, Hannah, & Rafael

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Today's Altar flowers were given by Dan and Patty Hallquist to bless the children.

St. Paul Announcements

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Church Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 8:30 am – 1:30 pm

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WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, 11/9:	Sunday School/Youth Group 9:30 am - 10:30 am Worship Service 10:45 am Youth lunch & shopping for Goodfellows 11:45 am – 2:00 pm Youth Quake sign up deadline Executive Council
Monday, 11/10:	Prayer Team 10:00 am Line Dancing 5:00 pm
Tuesday, 11/11:	Line Dancing 9:00 am Church Office Closed
Wednesday, 11/12:	WELCA Coffee 9:00 am Praise Band rehearsal 1:30 pm Finance Committee Meeting 2:30 pm
Thursday, 11/13:	Chair Yoga 11:00 am
Friday, 11/14:	Liberty Court Worship 1:30 pm
Saturday, 11/15:	Outdoor Workday 9:00 am Worship 5:30 pm at Immanuel
Sunday, 11/16:	Youth Committee 9:15 am Sunday School/Youth Group 9:30 am - 10:30 am Worship Service 10:45 am ~ Praise Band (worship assistant: Glen Hughes) Joint Confirmation Class 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm at St. Paul Ross Jallo Concert 2:00 pm

Today's worship is
livestreamed on
Facebook and
archived on
YouTube.
If ever you miss a
service, you can join
us online!

The LSSI Giving Tree and the Goodfellow Gift Giving Tree are in the Gathering Area.

WELCA Coffee Wednesday, November 12th 9:00 am in the fellowship hall. All are welcome!

**30 dozen cookies to benefit Rock River Hospice & Home at the Festival of Trees.
Please sign up in the Gathering Area with how many dozen cookies you will bake.**

Church Workday Saturday November 15 at 9:00 am

Advent Logs and Pie Sunday November 23rd beginning at 9:30 am

St. Paul & Immanuel Advent Tea Sunday, November 23 at 2 pm sign
up in the Gathering Area by November 16th.

Baby Shower for Cheyanne Saturday, November 22 at 3:30 pm

**Free Organ
Concert by Ross
Jallo Sunday
November 16th
2 pm
Refreshments &
fellowship after
the concert**

Poinsettia order forms are available in the Gathering Area.