

# God's Abundance Abundant Community

TIME AFTER PENTECOST  
November 16, 2025  
9:00 a.m. Livestream

## GATHERING

PRELUDE

*Fuge*  
(from *Toccata and Fugue in E, Op. 65, no. 12*)

M. REGER

RINGING OF THE BELLS

Order of St. John

WELCOME

Pastor Jon Haug

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Son of God, Eternal Savior*

*As music begins, the congregation turns and faces the Processional Cross.*

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

See, the home of God is among mortals.

**God will dwell with them; God will be with them.**

God will wipe every tear from their eyes.

**Death will be no more.**

Mourning and crying and pain will be no more.

**For the first things have passed away.\***

*\*These lines are adapted from ELW Hymn 619.*

Together we confess:

**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.**

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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.

GATHERING HYMN

WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT

*If You But Trust in God to Guide You*

ELW HYMN 769



1 If you but trust in God to guide you with gen - tle  
2 What gain is there in anx - ious weep - ing, in help - less  
3 The Lord our rest - less hearts is hold - ing, in peace and  
4 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways un - swerv - ing, of - fer your



hand through all your ways, you'll find that God is there be -  
an - ger and dis - tress? If you are in your Sav - ior's  
qui - et - ness con - tent. We rest in God's good will un -  
ser - vice faith - ful - ly. Trust heav - en's word; though un - de -



side you when cross - es come, in try - ing days. Trust then in  
keep - ing, in sor - row will he love you less? For Christ who  
fold - ing, what wis - dom from on high has sent. God, who has  
serv - ing, you'll find God's prom - ise true to be. This is our



God's un - chang - ing love; build on the rock that will not move.  
took for you a cross will bring you safe through ev - 'ry loss.  
cho - sen us by grace, knows ver - y well the fears we face.  
con - fi - dence in - deed: God nev - er fails in time of need.

GREETING

The grace of Jesus Christ our Savior, the reconciling love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. 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.**

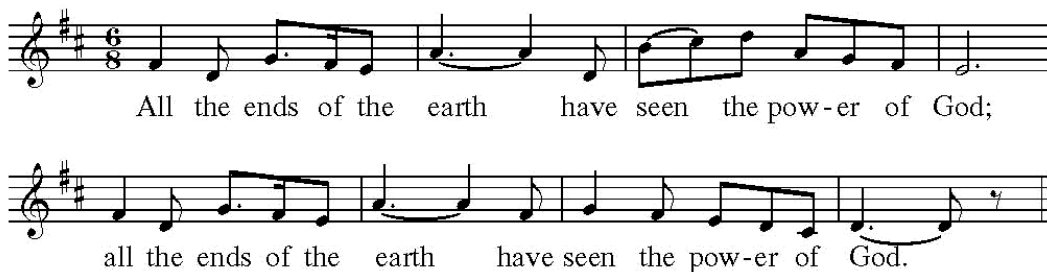
## WORD

### PSALM 98

#### *All the Ends of the Earth*

D. HAAS | M. HAUGEN

*Refrain sung twice at beginning of song. 1st time by cantor, thereafter all. Verses sung by cantor.*



*Verses* Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done wondrous deeds;  
his right hand has won the vict'ry for him, his holy arm. **Refrain**

The Lord has made his salvation known, his justice revealed to all.  
Remembered his kindness and faithfulness to Israel. **Refrain**

All of the ends of earth have seen salvation by our God.  
Joyfully sing out all you lands, break forth in song. **Refrain**

Sing the Lord with harp and song, with trumpet and with horn.  
Sing in your joy before the king, the king our Lord. **Refrain**

### LESSON

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.*

Word of God, word of life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Ancient Words*

L. DESHAZO

Ho-ly \_ words long pre-served for our walk in this world, they re -  
 sound with God's own heart. O, let the \_ an-cient words im - part.  
 Words of \_ life, words of hope, give us strength, help us cope. In this  
 world wher-e'er we roam, an-cient \_ words will guide us \_ home.  
 REFRAIN  
 An-cient words, ev-er true chang-ing me and chang-ing you; We have \_  
 come with o - pen hearts, O, let the \_ an-cient words im - part.

*Before the reading:* The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL READING

Luke 21:5-19

*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.*

*After the reading:* The Gospel of our Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

ACCLAMATION REPRISE

*Ancient Words*

*See previous, refrain only*

FIRST GLANCE

Mary Robinson

SERMON RESPONSE

Let the words of my mouth  
**and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable to you, O Lord,  
our rock and our redeemer. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Assisting Minister Mary Robinson

*After each petition:* Hear us, O God.  
**Your mercy is great.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

**MEAL**

OFFERTORY

*As we come together living out our faith in unity we trust in our God's loving care to provide for all we need.  
Let us respond generously to God's abiding love with our tithes and offerings. You are invited to visit our giving  
page link at [https:// www.stjohnslc.org/giving](https://www.stjohnslc.org/giving) and leave an online offering.*

OFFERTORY MUSIC

***Berceuse, Op. 16***

G. FAURÉ

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. 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. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

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## PREFACE

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. By the witness of your saints you show us the hope of our calling and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory. And so, with all the saints, with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the  
time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory  
are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

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## AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

## SELF-DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*All are welcome here at God's table. We believe Christ is truly present in the bread and wine through the faith of those who gather. Jesus invites you to this meal that imparts God's free gift of grace.*

*You are invited to partake of the meal with the bread and juice/ wine you prepared saying:*

**"The body of Christ given for me/us." And "The blood of Christ shed for me/us."**

## MUSIC FOR COMMUNION

WIE SOLL ICH DICH EMPFANGEN

### *O Lord, How Shall I Meet You*

ELW HYMN 241



- 1 O Lord, how shall I meet you, how wel - come you a - right?
- 2 I lay in fet - ters, groan - ing; you came to set me free.
- 3 Love caused your in - car - na - tion; love brought you down to me.
- 4 Re - joice, then, you sad - heart - ed, who sit in deep - est gloom,



Your peo - ple long to greet you, my hope, my heart's de - light!  
I stood, my shame be - moan - ing; you came to hon - or me.  
Your thirst for my sal - va - tion pro - cured my lib - er - ty.  
who mourn your joys de - part - ed and trem - ble at your doom.



Oh, kin - dle, Lord most ho - ly, your lamp with - in my breast  
A glo - rious crown you give me, a trea - sure safe on high  
Oh, love be - yond all tell - ing, that led you to em - brace  
All hail the Lord's ap - pear - ing! O glo - rious Sun, now come,



to do in spir - it low - ly all that may please you best.  
that will not fail or leave me as earth - ly rich - es fly.  
in love, all love ex - cel - ling, our lost and fall - en race.  
send forth your beams so cheer - ing and guide us safe - ly home.

*Let Us Break Bread Together*

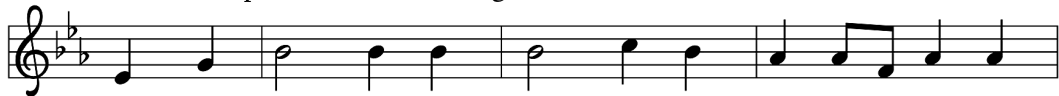
ELW HYMN 471



1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;  
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;  
 3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;



let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.  
 let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.  
 let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.



When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing



sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

## POST-COMMUNION MEDITATION

*Arioso**(Sinfonia to Cantata Ich steh mit einem Fuß im Grabe)*

J. S. BACH

## SACRAMENTAL BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and  
 keep you in God's grace.

**Amen.**

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. 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. Amen.**



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## SENDING

### BENEDICTION

### SENDING FORTH HYMN

#### *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

ST. ANNE  
ELW HYMN 632



- 1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,  
2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;  
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,  
4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:  
suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.  
from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.  
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

- 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
bears all our years away;  
they fly forgotten, as a dream  
dies at the op'ning day.
- 6 O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
still be our guard while troubles last  
and our eternal home.

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace, serve the Lord,  
**and live God's love in the world.**

### POSTLUDE

#### *Fantasia super Komm Heiliger Geist, BWV 651* *(from Eighteen Chorale Preludes, no. 1)*

J. S. BACH

*Please help us secure the parking in a timely manner and avoid any "lock-ups" by having your vehicles out of either the parking garage or church parking lot by 2:00 p.m. (Special events will have parking times listed)*

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## ST. JOHN'S STAFF

<b>Director of Missional Strategy</b>	Rev. Paul Baglyos, Bridge Pastor
<b>Director of Youth and Family</b>	Rev. Jon Haug, Associate Pastor
<b>Director of Worship &amp; Music</b>	Steven Johnson
<b>Director of Communications and Community Engagement</b>	Catherine Slabaugh
<b>Director of Administration</b>	Katherine Thorp
<b>Associate Director of Volunteer Management</b>	Joel Barkel
<b>Associate Director of Worship &amp; Music</b>	Eliseo Paniagua
<b>Property Staff</b>	Matt Balara, Doug Droze, Julius Turner
<b>Parish Nurse</b>	Suzi Taylor
<b>Bridge Organist</b>	Dan Nguyen
<b>Audio Technician</b>	John Bologni
<b>Video Technicians</b>	Tim Reese, Esperanza Foft
<b>Nursery Attendants</b>	Amy Afoa, Helen Disho



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## SERVING IN WORSHIP

<b>Presider</b>	Pastor Jon Haug
<b>Preacher</b>	Pastor Paul Baglyos
<b>Assisting Minister/First Glance</b>	Mary Robinson
<b>Lector</b>	Cory Hollingsworth
<b>Flute</b>	Bill Damian
<b>Organ Recordings</b>	Dr. Ryan Enright
<b>Piano</b>	Grace Fong
<b>Cantors in Rotation</b>	Joel Barkel, Linda Bush, Heather Mercer, Kathryn Mercer, Eliseo Paniagua
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Eliseo Paniagua
<b>Eucharistic Servers</b>	Gary & Linda Wong
<b>Greeters</b>	Mark Carlson, Linda Eytcheson, Julie Anna Manley
<b>Ushers</b>	Frank & Gail Graff-Blaha, David Byrd
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## ST. JOHN'S MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Trans Day of Remembrance Candlelight Vigil  
Saturday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> | 6:30 p.m. | Trinity Cathedral

The Transgender Day of Remembrance memorializes those lives lost due to actual or perceived gender identity and expression. The first memorial was a candlelight vigil in Boston in November 1999 to honor Rita Hester, murdered in 1998. Since then, annual memorials on this day have been observed around the world. This vigil will be dedicated to the memories of Carina Holleran, Carol Byers and Ruby Molina among many others who have fallen to ignorance and intolerance. This vigil is hosted in partnership with PFLAG Sacramento, TransFamilies, and the Sacramento Gay Men's Chorus.

- Donate Food for the Community Thanksgiving Meal  
Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> | St. John's Lutheran Church

We're still in need of a few food donations for the 28th annual Community Thanksgiving Meal! Help us feed Thanksgiving dinner to 500+ people by donating cranberry sauce, pies, stuffing, and so much more. Sign-up on the St. John's website!

- Advent Festival  
Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup> | 10:15 a.m. | The Gathering Place

Advent is just around the corner - to welcome in the season, we're hosting our annual Advent Festival! Come make your seasonal Yule Log, shop the Christmas market, make seasonal crafts, and welcome the Advent season.

### TODAY AT ST. JOHN'S

- Stories of Abundant Community | 10:15 a.m. | Oehler Hall

Throughout November, the adult education class will center around stories of abundant community – welcoming a few St. John's congregants to share a story of God's abundance and abundant community in their lives. After listening to stories, folks will be invited to share their own in small groups!

- Worship Leaders Training: Greeters and Ushers | 12:30 p.m. | Oehler Hall

This afternoon's training is for volunteers who currently serve or are interested in getting involved as an usher or greeter. We'll begin with a catered lunch and then Eliseo Paniagua, Associate Director of Worship and Music, will walk-through specific service areas in worship. Longtime volunteers in each area will also share personal insight and tips & tricks for serving!