

Tuesday, November 25th, 2025 Immanuel Lutheran Church, Pepin, WI Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service

As you enter, you are invited into a time to silently reflect and center for worship

PRELUDE WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

OPENING LITANY

Psalm 100

- ¹ Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you lands!
 - ² Serve the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with a song.
- ³ Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom we belong; we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.
- ⁴ Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving and the courts with praise; give thanks and bless God's holy name.
- ⁵ Good indeed is the Lord, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from age to age.

GATHERING HYMN

ELW 693 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

GREETING

P/ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **R/ And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

¹ "When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess and you possess it and settle in it, ² you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. ³ You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, 'Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.' 4When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, ⁵ you shall make this response before the Lord your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. ⁶ When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, ⁷ we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. 8 The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; ⁹ and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰ So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.' You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. ¹¹Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house."

L/Word of God, Word of Life R/Thanks Be to God

SECOND READING Philippians 4:4-9

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵ Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸ Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹ As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

L/Word of God, Word of Life R/Thanks Be to God

GOSPEL Matthew 6:25-33

P/ The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the sixth chapter. R/Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵ "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, ^[a] or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷ And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life? ^[b] ²⁸ And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹ Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' ³² For it is the gentiles who seek all these things, and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³ But seek first the kingdom of God^[c] and his^[d] righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

P/ The Gospel of the Lord R/ Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY **ELW 689** "Praise and Thanksgiving"

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P/ Lord, in your mercy R/ Hear our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE
OFFERING (for Youth Programs)

SENDING

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

Holy God, our Sovereign, our Wisdom, our Judge, as nature in the north cycles towards dormancy and death, we thank you for the sustenance of your Word.

P/ For your Word of life, we give thanks. R/ For your Word of life, we give thanks.

We praise you for speaking through Christ your Word, in whom is your authority, your truth, and the justice of your ways. When we are threatened by dangers and surrounded by evil, you speak to us of life that comes through Christ's death.

P/ For your Word of promise, we praise you. R/For your Word of promise, we praise you.

Grant us the endurance of the Spirit of your Son. Upheld by the voice of your Word, may we persevere with courage, energy, and joy, serving our neighbors faithfully until the end of our days.

P/For your Word of power, we plead. R/For your Word of power, we plead. Abide with us in your Word, O God, that we may speak your blessing to others, today and forever. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BENEDICTION

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 \pm and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN ELW 547 "Sent Forth By God's Blessing"

DISMISSAL

P/ Go in peace. Share the harvest R/Thanks be to God.

Pastors: Rev. Andrew Thompson

Rev. Paul Oppedahl Rev. Darren Catron

Rev. Tony Hill

Musician: Bryon Dockter

Please join us after for pie and refreshments in the fellowship hall!