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November 2, 2025 | 11:00 | Traditional Worship

# ENTER INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

#### **WELCOME**

Assisted listening devices are available in the sound booth.

#### **PRELUDE**

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing Music by Anna Laura Page
Youth Ringers

#### † CALL TO WORSHIP

Luke Feldmeyer

† Indicates the congregation should stand.

In Christ we have a glorious inheritance through the power of the Holy Spirit. Let the saints of God rejoice!

- L: Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song.
- P: Rejoice and be glad, for the Lord reigns.
- L: Praise God with dance.
- P: Praise God with songs of adoration.
- L: For God lifts up the lowly and casts down the mighty.
- P: Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song.

[Psalm 149]

#### † PROCESSIONAL HYMN 61

Come, Thou Almighty King

ITALIAN HYMN

God of our forbearers, You turn our world upside down. You teach us that neither wealth, nor social status, nor reputation can lead us to life. You remind us to focus on Your kingdom where the poor, the hungry, the sorrowful, and those persecuted for the gospel receive Your blessing. Help us follow the example of the saints, that we may receive our glorious inheritance, by living as Christ taught us to live. Amen.

ANTHEM Women's Chorale

His Eye Is on the Sparrow

Arranged by Roger Emerson

## † PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

God makes peace within us; let us claim it. God makes peace between us; let us share it. Let us greet one another as a sign of God's peace.

L: The peace of Christ is here among us.

P: Thanks be to God.

## LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Spirit of Truth, fill our hearts with the richness of Your word. Help us to love and care for the poor, who are close to Your heart. Teach us to let go of the pull of wealth and comfort so that we don't miss the peace You offer. Turn our weaknesses into strength and determination to share Your truth and grace with others. Amen.

#### † GOSPEL LESSON

#### Luke 6:20-23a

<sup>20</sup> Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. <sup>21</sup> "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. <sup>22</sup> "Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup> Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ!

#### SERMON

Rejoicing in Hard Times?

Pastor Markus Wegenast

## RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

#### LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

OFFFRTORY Covenant Choir

For the Bread Which You Have Broken

Music by Howard Helvey

#### † DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## HOLY COMMUNION

#### † INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to His table all who love Him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

#### † CONFESSION AND PARDON

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved You with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done Your will, we have broken Your law, we have rebelled against Your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All pray in silence.

- L: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
- P: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

#### **† THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

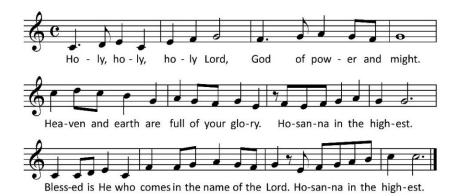
- L: The Lord be with you.
- P: And also with you.
- L: Lift up your hearts.

#### P: We lift them up to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

#### P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty....And so, with Your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:



#### Congregation is seated

Tom Finnerty

Holy are You and blessed is Your Son Jesus Christ...

...And so, in remembrance of these Your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.



Pour out Your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine....

## REMEMBERING OUR SAINTS

#### Members of Church of the Saviour Rick Hulse Alice Merckel Rosemary Haas Sandy Harte Karen Kruse Ellen H. Walker **Loved Ones** Neil Banke Nancy Kendrick Lois S. Richard Audrey Jean Barbian Lynda Langstraat Robert Schawann II Gerry Black Carol Leonardo Charles Shook George Brown Morgan Simmons Art Lerma Tim Cooper Maggie L. Lutz Bill Spreckelmeier William Stalets Mary Frances Costello Ed Mitchell Joan Duecker Waldi Farrar Mizell Paul Thomas

Helen Nelson

Bill Weier

Marita Roby Fizer Nicole Patterson Hilda Woodard
Dan Fulkerson Peg Reddien Jody Zammit

Carol Gaegne Keith David Richard

Through Your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in Your holy Church, all honor and glory is Yours, almighty Father, now and forever.



#### THE 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. Amen.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God, we give You thanks for this holy mystery, in which You have given Yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of Your Spirit to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## GO FORTH WITH GOD'S BLESSING

† RECESSIONAL HYMN 711

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

**† BENEDICTION** 

† POSTLUDE

Rise Up, O Saints of God

Music by Michael Burkhardt

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Scripture readings are New Revised Standard Version (NRSVUE) unless otherwise noted.

#### IN WORSHIP TODAY

#### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Today's altar flowers are given by Dick and Lois Sprigg to commemorate their 56<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on November 8<sup>th</sup>.

#### **WORSHIP LEADERS**

Rev. Markus Wegenast, Senior Pastor
Owen Wegenast, Acolyte
Luke Feldmeyer, Jean Gerhardt, Lay Readers
Joe Galyon, Director of Worship and Arts
Youth Ringers, Women's Chorale, and Covenant Choir,
Musicians
Peyton Voline, Worship Technology Coordinator
Steve Shiparski, Presentation Operator

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