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#### ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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### 22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST • NOVEMBER 9, 2025

#### **Reverent Reflection**

**Prelude** 

Welcome

#### **Church Announcements**

#### **Confession and Forgiveness**

- P. Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
- C. Amen.
- P. O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C. Amen.
- P. Most merciful God,
- C. we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

- P. In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us and for his sake God forgives us all our sin. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen.

**Gathering Hymn:** Great Is Thy Faithfulness (#733)

# **Apostolic 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 p. 147

- P. In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P. For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C. Lord, have mercy.
- P. For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

- C. Lord, have mercy.
- P. For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C. Lord, have mercy.
- P. Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C. Amen.

#### Canticle p. 149

- P. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.
- C. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

- P. The Lord be with you.
- C. And also with you.

### **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray:

O God, 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**.

#### Word

# First Reading: Job 19:23-27a

- <sup>23</sup> "O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book!
- <sup>24</sup>O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever!
- <sup>25</sup> For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;
- <sup>26</sup> and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God,
- <sup>27a</sup> whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 17:1-9

Response: "Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me under the shadow of your wings."

- <sup>1</sup> Hear a just cause, O Lord; give heed to my cry; listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.
- <sup>2</sup> Let my vindication come forth from your presence; let your eyes be fixed on justice.
- <sup>3</sup> Examine my heart, visit me by night, melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.
- <sup>4</sup> I have not regarded what others do; at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent. R
- <sup>5</sup> My footsteps hold fast to your well-worn path; and my feet do not slip.
- <sup>6</sup> I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; incline your ear to me and hear my words.
- <sup>7</sup> Show me your marvelous lovingkindness, O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise against them.

- <sup>8</sup> Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me under the shadow of your wings,
- <sup>9</sup> from the wicked who assault me, from my deadly enemies who surround me. **R**

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

<sup>1</sup> As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, <sup>2</sup> 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. <sup>3</sup> 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. <sup>4</sup> 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. <sup>5</sup> Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

<sup>13</sup> 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. <sup>14</sup> For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>15</sup> 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.

<sup>16</sup> Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, <sup>17</sup> comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word. Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

#### Gospel Acclamation p. 151

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

# Gospel: Luke 20:27-38

The holy gospel according to St. Luke.

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>27</sup> Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] <sup>28</sup> 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. <sup>29</sup> Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; <sup>30</sup> then the second <sup>31</sup> and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. <sup>32</sup> Finally the woman also died. <sup>33</sup> In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

<sup>34</sup> Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; <sup>35</sup> 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. <sup>36</sup> Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. <sup>37</sup> 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. <sup>38</sup> Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

#### Sermon

#### Children's Sermon

#### **Anthem**

#### **Sacrament of Holy Baptism for Callee Ann Cartwright** (See Baptismal Booklet)

### **Prayers of Intercession**

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

A brief silence.

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. Your mercy is great.

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. Your mercy is great.

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. Your mercy is great.

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). Comfort those who suffer from trauma and exposure to traumatic events.

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

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. Your mercy is great.

We pray for peace throughout the world: in our nation, Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, Sudan, and all war-torn areas. We pray for our military and their families.

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

God of the saints, we give thanks for all who have died in faith (especially). Uplift us as we honor their memory and await your coming in glory.

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

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

# **Sharing of the Peace**

# Offering

# Great Thanksgiving p. 152

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.

#### Preface p. 153

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### **Words of Institution**

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. p. 153

#### **Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray:

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### Communion p. 154

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, grant us peace.

# **Distribution of Holy Communion**

**Communion Hymns:** What A Friend We Have In Jesus (#742)

Blessed Assurance (#638)

Let Us Break Bread Together (#471)

#### **Prayer after Communion**

**Blessing** 

**Sending Hymn:** I Know That My Redeemer Lives (#619)

**Dismissal** 

**Postlude** 

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday 9:30 am Sunday Morning Worship Service

10:30 am Band Rehearsal
10:45 am Sunday School/CIA
11:15 am Youth Chime/Vocal Choir
11:30 am Bell Choir (every other Sunday)

Wednesday 7:00 pm Band Rehearsal

Thursday 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Ongoing Sweet Treats from Thankful Hearts Orders through Nov. 19th

Harvest Home Food Collection through Nov. 23rd

Shelf Stable Milk Collection

Diaper Collection for Pantry, Holy Communion, Berlin

Monday, November 10th

7:00 pm

Council Meeting in the Parish House

7:00 pm

Bible Study in the Parish House

TBD

St. John's Annual Christmas Concert

Please note: All activities, dates and times are subject to change.

#### **PRAYER LIST**

Please keep the following in your prayers for healing:

Jen Bailey Marie Lentine Douglas Carl Knopp Renate Murray Bill Todt Phil Biemuller Erica Polito **Tracey Drew Eunice Knopp** George Vaneman, Sr. Michael Botti Tracey Reagle George Van Wagner Karen Campbell-Erickson Naveen Kumar **Brian Byrnes** Indie Fisher Samantha Reed **Beverly Warming** Donna Leek Randy Cantoral Rhea Fryor Rebecca Livingston Kimberly Rickert Mary White Janet Cappuccio **Bob Garner Ashley Rosser** Helen Yezusko Tim McCarthy Dorcas Schellhas **Bob Zielsdorf** Sandra DeRitis Angela Guedes Joanne McVelli Melanie Miles Finn Schureman

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Please notify the office if you want to add or remove a person from this list.

#### ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATION

Altar Flowers are available for dedication for \$30. Please fill out the envelope located in the pew rack at least one week before you wish to dedicate the flowers. The card may be placed in the offering plate or left in the office. Please be sure to note the date on the white board in the Narthex. Please see Pat Reed to make payment.

#### WORSHIP BULLETIN DEDICATION

The cost (\$23) of the Weekly Worship Bulletin to fully cover the cost of paper and printing is donated by Henry and Marie Fickenscher to the Glory of God..

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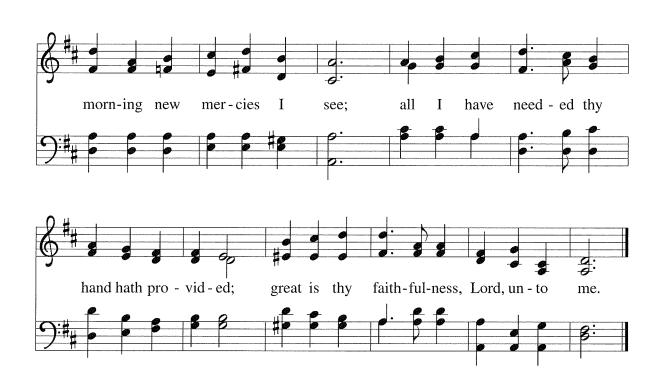
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# Great Is Thy Faithfulness



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# What a Friend We Have in Jesus

742



# 638

# **Blessed Assurance**



- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
- 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
- 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,





Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood. an - gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love. watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.





This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav - ior all the day long:





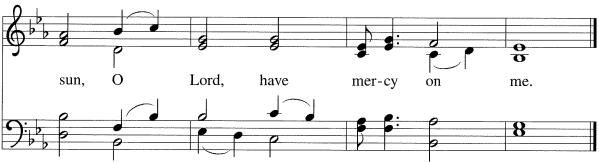
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# Let Us Break Bread Together

# 471





Text: African American spiritual Music: African American spiritual

# I Know That My Redeemer Lives!

# 619



- 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.
- 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!
- 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.
- 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!



# ST. JOHN'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> • Time TBD

**All Are Welcome!** 



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