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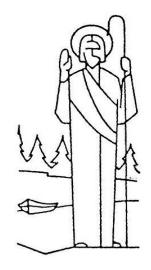
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Church Service Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

WELCOME GUESTS

We invite you to sign our guest book and/or complete a visitor card to help us remember you. Here at Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church we celebrate Holy Communion whenever we gather, and we would like to invite you to join us, as **all** are welcome to the Lord's table here. If you are in need of any additional information in regard to our church or Synod affiliation, please contact Pastor Bill at 1-715-617-6477. Thank you for joining us.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Empowered by the power of the Holy Spirit and rooted in the Good News of Jesus Christ, we are a loving community that follows Jesus & seeks to hear the Word of God and practice it in our daily lives.

Recorded Services:

All Sunday services at Shepherd of the Lakes are recorded and put on You Tube. Go to the Church website at www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org

and look for the symbol.

Click on this symbol to take you to the Church's YouTube site.

For those of you worshipping with us at home – You can mail your donations to: Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church 2903 State HWY 155 PO Box 130 Sayner, WI 54560

Or on the church website – <u>www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org</u>

You can donate through our PayPal account.

"Thank you for your continued support of our ministry together."

Readings for November 17, 2024 26th Sunday After Pentecost:

First Reading Daniel 12: 1-3

Psalm 16

Second Reading Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25

Holy Gospel Mark 13: 1-8

Real Strength in Community of Faith

What makes something strong? Is steel strong because of its ability to withstand stress from many directions? Is wood strong because of its ability to absorb impact while remaining intact? Is the material of a spider's web strong because of its tensile strength-to-weight ratio? Things are strong for many reasons. The temple in Jerusalem was thought to be stronger and more permanent than anything, yet Jesus says in Mark, "Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down" (Mark 13:2). Jesus shows hearers that true strength is not built upon the oppression of widows (Mark 12:41-44).

Many of the world's most prized structures are built on the shoulders of the poor and oppressed. How many homes in poorer areas of cities have been destroyed by the need for a new or wider highway? How many workers living in poverty died building the Golden Gate or Brooklyn Bridges, the Hoover Dam or the Empire State Building? In order for human beings to build structures of great strength, they must rely on sacrifice and compromise. Can any human standard of strength be achieved without making something else weak?

Real strength, however, is not shown in things built by human hands. Real strength is found in the hands themselves. True strength is shown in workers reporting to work day after day in impossible conditions because it's the only way to feed their family. It is shown by an entire community of God's people linking their trembling hands as they share the "confession of our hope without wavering" (Heb. 10:23). The new, true temple, Jesus' faithful strength, succumbs in weakness to human-made nails. While the nails lie rusting away, the wounded hands and body rise again to break bread with all on the journey down the path of life.

CONTACT INFO:

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES AT 9:00 A.M.

Holy Communion is offered at every service. All are welcome. The Sunday service will be live-streamed and recorded and available for viewing on YouTube later on Sundays.

FINANCIAL NOTES: November 3, 2024 ATTENDANCE: 47

No Financial Information Today

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday Bible Study will be held on the 2^{nd} and 4^{th} Tuesdays of the month at 3 pm. The study will again be based on "The Chosen".

CHURCH SCHOOL

Church School will be offered every Wednesday (as long as school is in session) after school. The bus will drop the children off at approximately 3:45. Lessons/project time will last until 5 pm. We welcome you to get your children - or grandchildren involved!

ALTAR FLOWERS - INFORMATION ON HOW TO SIGN UP

Contact Person - Jo Ann Kehl Cell 715-892-0413

The Sign-Up Sheets are located in the Narthex on the shelf under the Lutheran Rose.

STEP ONE:

Sign up for the date you wish to provide the set of two altar bouquets

STEP TWO:

You can provide flowers in two ways:

- 1. You may purchase your own flowers and bring them to church.
- 2. You may contact Jo Ann Kehl and she will order them for you. Just let her know what flowers you would like and how much you would like to spend. You can then write a check to Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church for that amount and designate it as *Altar Flower Donation*. ANY QUESTIONS? Contact Jo Ann

IMPORTANT REMINDER:

If you use the kitchen at church, please be extra prudent and make sure the water is turned off, the refrigerator doors are closed firmly, the oven is off......whatever you use, make sure to turn everything off and close doors!! Cleaning staff found the oven left on cleaning setting and the stove/oven was EXTREMELY hot and a fire danger!

SAMARITANS PURSE

Please consider participating in the "Operation Christmas Child" project. We have done this project in the past and would like to involve even more members of the congregation. Please let Jack Carlson know if you have any questions.

THANKSGIVING COMMUNITY DINNER:

Can you believe it is time once again to begin Thanksgiving Community Dinner preparations?! The year has just flown by. It will be even more fun this year as we welcome not only St. Mary Catholic Church members but also Saint Germain Community Church members to join us in our preparations. The details are:

Serving 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Day, November 28, 2024
Turkey and Dressing, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Corn Casserole, Carrot Coins
Green Bean Casserole, Dinner Rolls, and Pie

We have sign-up sheets for helping with set up, serving, and clean up on Thanksgiving Day. There is also a sign-up sheet for pies. Please help as you can. Jeanne and I will be in the kitchen early! We hope to serve even more with three churches involved. Please let everyone know this is a community event and all are welcome.

BEGINNING IN NOVEMBER

Please consider giving to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. Pink donation envelopes will be labeled and available.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for those dealing with current issues:

Carolyn, Beth, Shirley, Sharon G., Chandler, John, Kim, Dick, Lynn C., Mary H. (Please let us know if/when names should be removed from this "current issues" list or moved to "ongoing list")

Pray for those with ongoing health issues:

Larry, Mary Lou, Brian, Melody, Bob B., Graham, Ericka, Mike, Shelle, Amy L. and Ron

Pray for those serving in the Armed Forces:

Brian, Adam & Brittany, Brooks, Will, Sgt. Keara, Alex, Jared, Noah, and Dylan.

Pray for those in nursing homes or homebound:

Elisabeth

Pray for peace and consoling comfort for the families of those who have passed:

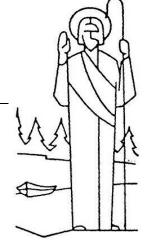
Please email Bill Wendorf at <u>pastor@SOTLsayner.com</u> or text to 715-617-6477 or email Jean Maines at <u>treasurer@SOTLsayner.com</u> if you would like to be included on the prayer chain list.

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Augsburg Lutheran Churches (ALC) "25th Sunday After Pentecost, Nov. 10th 2024"

Greeting & Announcements



Invocation

(Please remain seated.)

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Confession And Forgiveness

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins unto God our Father, urgently and fervently asking him, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

Gracious God,

Have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

These words are trustworthy and true: Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever. For his sake, you are + forgiven and God remembers your sin no more. Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation.

Amen.

Gathering Song

"How Firm A Foundation" ELW 796

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

How Firm a Foundation



Text: J. Rippon, A Selection of Hymns, 1787, alt. Music: FOUNDATION, Early American

Greeting

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

And also with you.

Opening Dialogue

"Be strong and full of courage:

for God is with you wherever you go."

The Spirit of God strengthens my hand:

you make us bolder in our work together.

For in us all is the breath of life:

you give true life to the people of God.

Come, Holy Spirit, as the mighty wind:

as on the face of the waters at creation.

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray....

O God,

You show forth your almighty power chiefly by reaching out to us in mercy. Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in the treasures that come through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

(Please be seated)

First Reading 1 Kings 17:8-16

⁸ The word of the LORD came to [Elijah,] saying, ⁹ "Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." ¹⁰ So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." ¹¹ As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." ¹² But she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." ¹³ Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴ For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth." ¹⁵ She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶ The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 146

¹ Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD, O my soul!

- ² I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
- ³ Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there is no help.
- ⁴ When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.
- ⁵ Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help, whose hope is in the LORD their God;
- ⁶ who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps promises forever;
- ⁷ who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger. The LORD sets the captive free.
- ⁸ The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.
 - ⁹ The LORD cares for the stranger;

the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

¹⁰ The LORD shall reign forever,

your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

Second Reading Hebrews 9:24-28

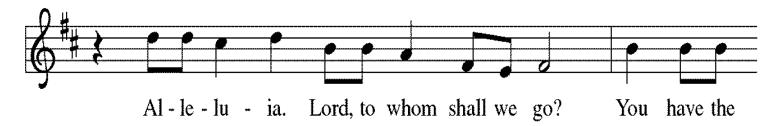
²⁴ Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵ Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; ²⁶ for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷ And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, ²⁸ so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are comfortable for the Gospel Acclamation)

Gospel Acclamation





The Holy Gospel According to....

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading Mark 12:38-44

³⁸ As [Jesus] taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, ³⁹ and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! ⁴⁰ They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

⁴¹ He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴² A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. ⁴³ Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. ⁴⁴ For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be Seated)

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

"We Give Thee But thine Own" ELW 686

(Please Stand as you comfortable)

We Give Thee but Thine Own



Text: William W. How, 1823-1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, L. Mason and G. Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.*

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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 the Church

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

(Please share the peace as you are comfortable)

Offering

(We will receive our offering today in the traditional manner)

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Offertory Prayer

Merciful Father,

We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us, ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and salutary..... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

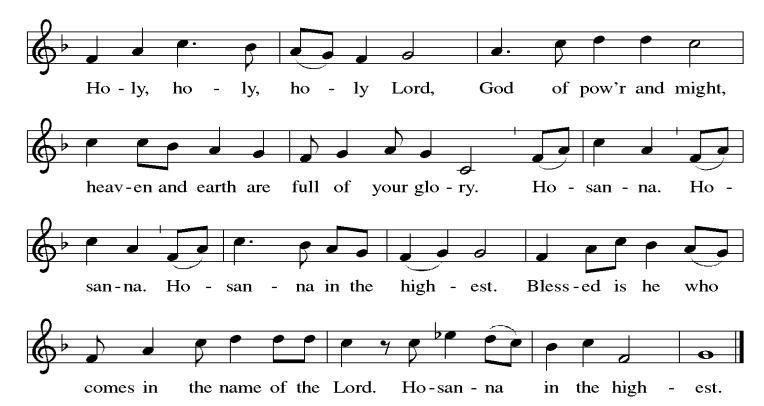


Table Prayer

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Stir up within us your Holy Spirit, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Words Of Institution

Lords 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.

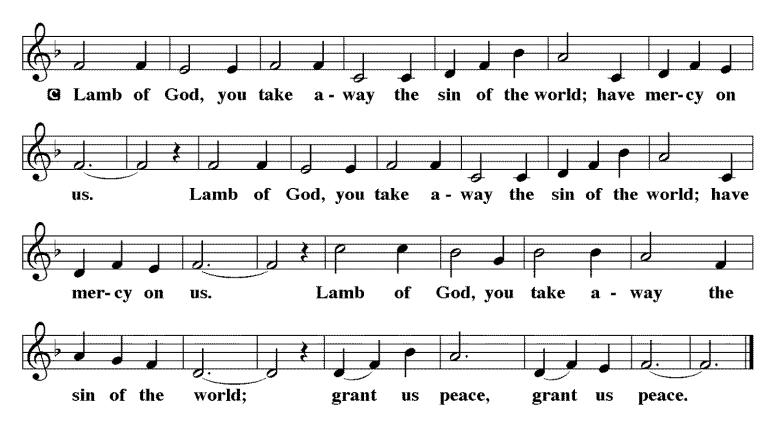
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

Amen.

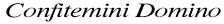
Invitation

Please come forward as the ushers direct, receive the bread in your hand and then receive the wine by dipping the host into the wine (chalice). Grape juice is also offered as an alternative to the wine in the crystal Chalise. We also have gluten free wafers for those in need, simply ask for them when you come forward. Small children and others that wish not to commune may come forward for a blessing. ALL ARE WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE.

Distribution



Communion Hymns Come and Fill Our Hearts



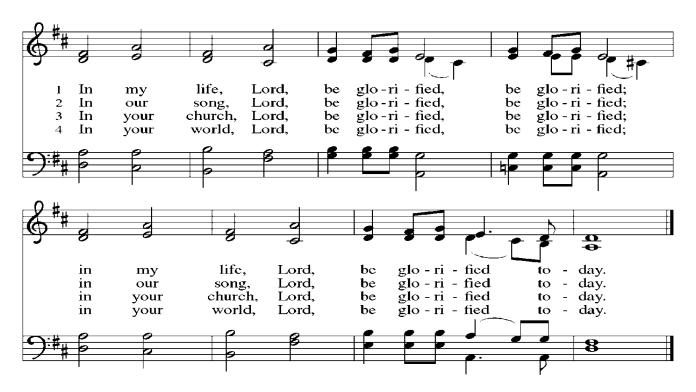


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Lord, Be Glorified



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*may be sung in canon

Communion Blessing

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen

Prayer

We give you thanks,

Almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

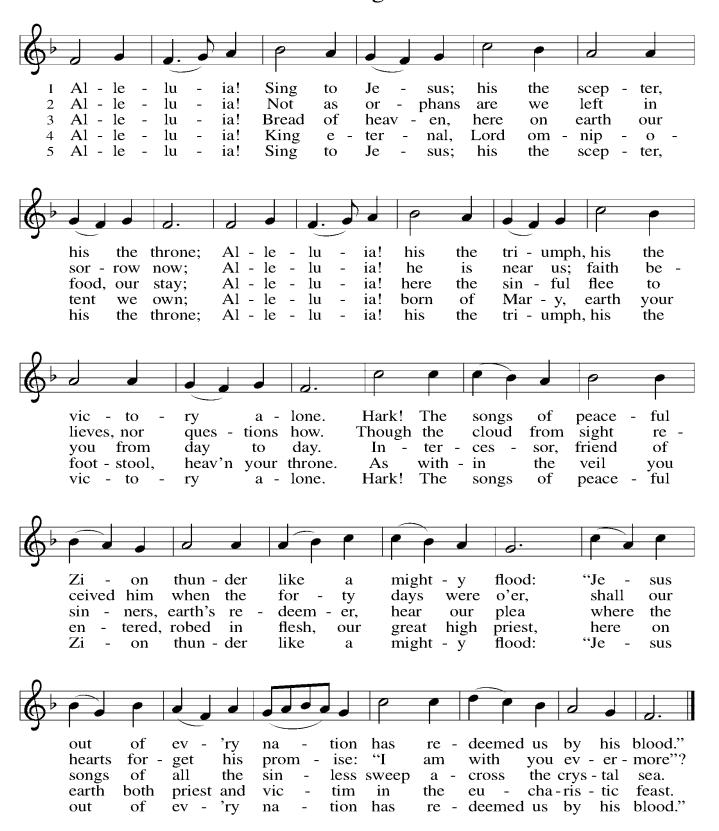
Blessing/Benediction

Almighty God, Father, Son, † and Holy Spirit, bless you all, now and forever.

Amen

Sending Hymn

"Alleluia! Sing To Jesus" ELW 392 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



Text: William C. Dix, 1837-1898, alt.

Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887

Dismissal

Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service. Second Sunday of each month join us for brunch after the service.

Calendar for Week of November 11 – November 17, 2024

Tuesday	November 12, 2024	Bible Study "The Chosen"	3:00 p.m.
Wednesday	November 13, 2024	Church School	3:45 p.m.
Thursday	November 14, 2024	Text Study	9:00 a.m.
Sunday	November 17, 2024	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.

Next Council Meeting:

No meeting in November! December 1, 2024

Upcoming Events:

Thanksgiving Community Dinner on November 28th

Check our calendar of events on the church website for times and dates of events and worship services.

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