

# St. Paul Lutheran Church of Catonsville



The Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost  
November 17, 2024



If you are a guest with us today, we welcome you in the name of Jesus! If you have questions or prayer requests or want to get in touch with us, please sign the guest book in the lobby (or use this QR code) or email or call.



**Give thanks to the Lord** for He is good! Thanks for joining us in worship this morning.

**Children's bulletins** are available in the narthex.

**Children's church bags** with soft activity books, quiet toys and other "surprises" are available in the narthex.

**Children's Nursery Area** is available downstairs in the Parish Hall. The service streams on the monitor and there is a soft rug, chairs, books and toys available. Turn right out of the sanctuary and go down the stairs.

**Prelude:** Please use the prelude as a time for quiet prayer and meditation before worship.

### **For Those Who Desire to Receive the Lord's Supper**

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at St. Paul in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder. (Non-alcoholic wine is available in the center of the communion trays.)

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Prelude: Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters setting, Janet Linker  
(b. 1938)

### Stand

### Baptismal Waters Cover Me

LSB 616



1 Bap - tis - mal wa - ters cov - er me As I ap -  
2 I look to Christ up - on the tree, His bod - y  
3 Lord, may Your wound - ed hand im - part Your heal - ing  
4 From Your own mouth comes forth a word; Your shep - herd  
5 Bap - tis - mal wa - ters cov - er me; Christ's wound - ed



proach on bend - ed knee; My Fa - ther's mer - cy  
bro - ken there for me; I lay be - fore Him  
to my bro - ken heart; Your love a - lone can  
speaks, but You are heard; Through him Your hand now  
hand has set me free. Held in my Fa - ther's



here I plead, For griev - ous sins of thought and deed.  
all my sin, My dark - est se - crets from with - in.  
form in me A heart that serves You joy - ful - ly.  
stretch - es out, For - giv - ing sin, de - stroy - ing doubt.  
strong em - brace, With joy I praise Him for His grace.

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# Confession and Absolution

## Invocation

*Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## *Kneel*

## Exhortation

*1 John 1:8–9*

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

## Confession of Sins

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
**C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.

## Absolution

*[John 20:19–23]*

- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## *Stand*

# Service of the Word

## Introit

*Psalm 48:11–14; antiphon: Mark 13:13b*

The one who endures | to the end\*  
**will | be saved.**

Let Mount Zion | be glad!\*

**Let the daughters of Judah rejoice because of your | judgments!**

Walk about Zion, go around her, number her | towers,\*

**consider well her ramparts, go through her | citadels,**

that you may tell the next generation that this is God, our God forever and | ever.\*

**He will guide us for- | ever.**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

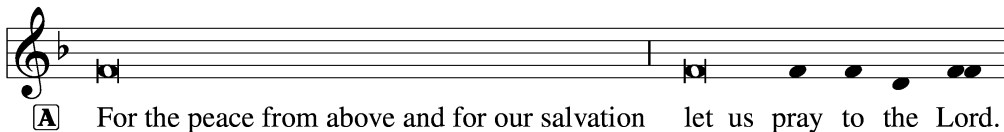
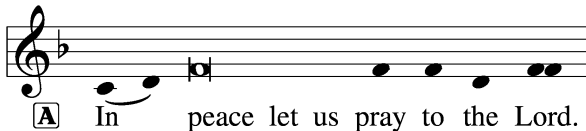
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

The one who endures | to the end\*

**will | be saved.**

## Kyrie

*Mark 10:47*





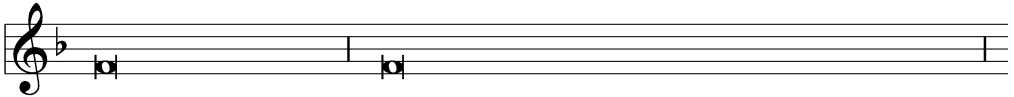
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defe



**C** A - men.

# This Is the Feast

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## Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



- 1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
- 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
- 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
- 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
- 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

## Final Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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## Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

**C** O Lord, by Your bountiful goodness release us from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our weakness we have brought upon ourselves, that we may stand firm until the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## Sit

Anthem:

O Give Thanks unto the Lord  
Psalm 103:1-2

William Croft  
(1678-1727)

O give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon His name;  
Tell the people what things He hath done.  
O let your songs be of Him, and praise Him;  
and let your talking be of all His wondrous works.

## Old Testament Reading

*Daniel 12:1-3*

<sup>1</sup>At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. <sup>2</sup>And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. <sup>3</sup>And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual (Spoken Responsively)

*Revelation 7:14b; Psalm 84:5*

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

**They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.**

Blessèd are those whose strength is in you,

**in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**

## Epistle

*Hebrews 10:11–25*

<sup>11</sup>Every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. <sup>12</sup>But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, <sup>13</sup>waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet. <sup>14</sup>For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.

<sup>15</sup>And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying,

<sup>16</sup>“This is the covenant that I will make with them  
after those days, declares the Lord:

I will put my laws on their hearts,  
and write them on their minds,”

<sup>17</sup>then he adds,

“I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.”

<sup>18</sup>Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

<sup>19</sup>Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup>by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, <sup>21</sup>and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup>let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup>Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup>And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, <sup>25</sup>not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Stand

## Alleluia and Verse

*John 6:68*

**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

*Mark 13:1–13*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth chapter.



**G** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!” <sup>2</sup>And Jesus said to him, “Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.”

<sup>3</sup>And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately, <sup>4</sup>“Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when all these things are about to be accomplished?” <sup>5</sup>And Jesus began to say to them, “See that no one leads you astray. <sup>6</sup>Many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. <sup>7</sup>And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take place, but the end is not yet. <sup>8</sup>For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These are but the beginning of the birth pangs.

<sup>9</sup>“But be on your guard. For they will deliver you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them. <sup>10</sup>And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations. <sup>11</sup>And when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit. <sup>12</sup>And brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death. <sup>13</sup>And you will be hated by all for my name’s sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**G** Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Built on the Rock

LSB 645



1 Built on the Rock the Church shall stand E - ven when  
2 Sure - ly in tem - ples made with hands God, the Most  
3 We are God's house of liv - ing stones, Built for His  
4 Here stands the font be - fore our eyes, Tell - ing how



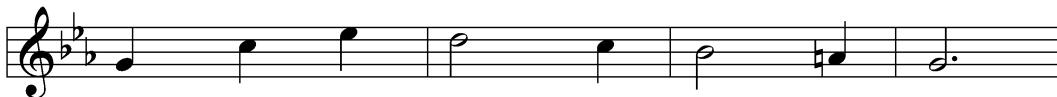
stee - ples are fall - ing. Crum - bled have spires in  
High, is not dwell - ing; High a - bove earth His  
own hab - i - ta - tion. He through bap - tis - mal  
God has re - ceived us. The al - tar re - calls Christ's



ev - 'ry land; Bells still are chim - ing and call -  
tem - ple stands, All earth - ly tem - ples ex - cel -  
grace us owns Heirs of His won - drous sal - va -  
sac - ri - fice And what His Sup - per here gives



ing, Call - ing the young and old to rest,  
ling. Yet He who dwells in heav'n a - bove  
tion. Were we but two His name to tell,  
us. Here sound the Scrip - tures that pro - claim



But a - bove all the souls dis - tressed,  
Choos - es to live with us in love,  
Yet He would deign with us to dwell  
Christ yes - ter - day, to - day, the same,



Long - ing for rest ev - er - last - ing.  
Mak - ing our bod - ies His tem - ple.  
With all His grace and His fa - vor.  
And ev - er - more, our Re - deem - er.

## Sermon

### *Stand*

#### Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

## Prayer of the Church

### Offering

(An offering plate is available in the narthex. You may also give electronically via this QR code or through our website at [stpaulcatonsville.org/donation](http://stpaulcatonsville.org/donation). If you would like to send in an electronic offering via text, text the dollar amount you would like to give to 410-888-0161.)



### Offertory

Psalm 116:12–13, 17–19

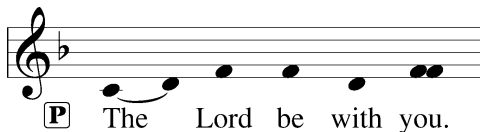


**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa-lem.

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]



**P** The Lord be with you.



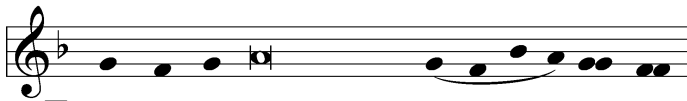
**C** And al - so with you.



**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 Him thanks and praise.

### Proper Preface

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9–13*

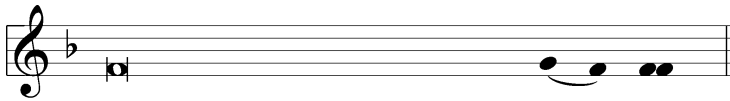
**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C** **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.**

## Pax Domini

John 20:19



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**G** A - men.

## Agnus Dei

John 1:29



**G** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

## Distribution

### I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

LSB 618



1 I come, O Sav - ior, to Thy ta - ble, For weak and  
2 Thy heart is filled with fer - vent yearn - ing That sin - ners  
3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I  
4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my  
5 What high - er gift can we in - her - it? It is faith's



wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a -  
may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in  
have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt  
soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -  
bond and sol - id base; It is the strength of



lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole:  
faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.  
ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:  
ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.  
heart and spir - it, The cov - e - nant of hope and grace.



*Refrain*

Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

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# Jerusalem, My Happy Home

LSB 673



1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home,  
 2 O hap - py har - bor of the saints,  
 3 Thy gar - dens and thy gal - lant walks  
 4 There trees for - ev - er - more bear fruit



When shall I come to thee? When shall my sor - rows  
 O sweet and pleas - ant soil! In thee no sor - row  
 Con - tin - ual - ly are green; There grow such sweet and  
 And ev - er - more do spring; There ev - er - more the



have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?  
 may be found, No grief, no care, no toil.  
 pleas - ant flow'rs As no - where else are seen.  
 an - gels dwell And ev - er - more do sing.

5 Apostles, martyrs, prophets,  
 there  
 Around my Savior stand;  
 And soon my friends in Christ  
 below

6 O Christ, do Thou my soul  
 prepare  
 For that bright home of love  
 That I may see Thee and adore  
 With all Thy saints above.

Will join the glorious band.

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# Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

LSB 821



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the  
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans Are we  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, Here on  
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om -  
 5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the



scep - ter, His the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the  
 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! He is  
 earth our food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! Here the  
 nip - o - tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! Born of  
 scep - ter, His the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the



tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.  
 near us; Faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how.  
 sin - ful Flee to You from day to day.  
 Mar - y, Earth Your foot - stool, heav'n Your throne.  
 tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.



Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der  
 Though the cloud from sight re - ceived Him When the  
 In - ter - ces - sor, Friend of sin - ners, Earth's Re -  
 As with - in the veil You en - tered, Robed in  
 Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der



like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of  
 for - ty days were o'er, Shall our hearts for -  
 deem - er, hear our plea Where the songs of  
 flesh, our great High Priest, Here on earth both  
 like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of



ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by His blood."  
 get His prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more?"  
 all the sin - less Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 priest and vic - tim In the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
 ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by His blood."

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## Thank the Lord

[Psalm 105:1-3, 42-43]; [1 Chronicles 16:8-10]



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

## Post-Communion Collect

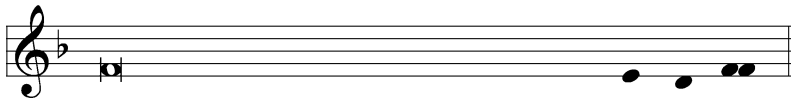
**A** Let us pray...



**C** A - men.

## Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



**C** A - men.

# We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God

LSB 941



1 We praise You and ac - knowl - edge You, O God, to be the Lord,  
 2 The band of the a - pos - tles in glo - ry sing Your praise;  
 3 You, Christ, are King of glo - ry, the ev - er - last - ing Son,  
 4 You sit in splen - did glo - ry, en - throned at God's right hand,



The Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing, by all the earth a - dored.  
 The fel - low - ship of proph - ets their death - less voic - es raise.  
 Yet You, with bound - less love, sought to res - cue ev - 'ry - one:  
 Up - hold - ing earth and heav - en by forc - es You com - mand.



To You all an - gel pow - ers cry a - loud, the heav - ens sing,  
 The mar - tyrs of Your king - dom, a great and no - ble throng,  
 You laid a - side Your glo - ry, were born of vir - gin's womb,  
 We know that You will come as our Judge that fi - nal day,



The cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim their prais - es to You bring:  
 Sing with the ho - ly Church through - out all the world this song:  
 Were cru - ci - fied for us and were placed in - to a tomb;  
 So help Your ser - vants You have re - deemed by blood, we pray;



“O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
 “O all - ma - jes - tic Fa - ther, Your true and on - ly Son,  
 Then by Your res - ur - rec - tion You won for us re - prieve—  
 May we with saints be num - bered where prais - es nev - er end,



Your maj - es - ty and glo - ry fill the heav - ens and the earth!”  
 And Ho - ly Spir - it, Com - fort - er— for - ev - er Three in One!”  
 You o - pened heav - en's king - dom to all who would be - lieve.  
 In glo - ry ev - er - last - ing. A - men, O Lord, a - men!

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## News & Notes

### **Altar Flowers**

Flowers are given by Jim and Janet Lister in memory of Eveline Mary Lister.

### **Sunday School**

Is offered every Sunday morning at 8:45 am for kids, nursery through high school.

### **Bible Study on The Chosen**

Explore the life of Jesus and the 1st-century disciples through the television series The Chosen. Each week, watch one episode on your own and then gather to discuss from a Lutheran perspective. The series will run from November 17th through December 29th ... so just click on the following link for all information and to links the videos: <https://bit.ly/3TLupnx>. After opening the link, start by watching "0-ChosenPromo.mp4" and "1-Welcome\_WatchMe.mp4" for an introduction and overview of the series and our study goals. The videos for each week are there also!

### **Adult Catechism Class is Underway**

Still time to join if you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the Lutheran church and the Scriptures and what they teach. Mondays at 7 p.m.

### **Women's Bible Study starts Today and Continues Sunday Mornings**

Michelle Johnson will be leading a 6-week study on the book of Ruth on Sundays at 8:45 am.

### **Midweek Morning Bible Study**

Thursday Nov. 21st at 10 am in Pastor's office. We are looking at the Gospel of John. Join us!

### **St. Thomas Food Bags**

The Women's Guild is organizing food bags for St Thomas Lutheran Church and community in Baltimore. The list below are needed items. Bags can be returned to church beginning Sunday, November 24th, through Sunday, December 8th.

- 1 box stuffing
- 1 box instant potatoes
- 2 cans corn
- 2 cans green beans or peas
- 1 box dessert (cake mix, brownies, if cake frosting) 1 can or jar gravy
- 1 jar peanut butter 1 jar jelly.

### **Thank you to Pastor Phil Meyer**

for leading our worship this morning! We appreciate his service. Pastor Alms will return to the office tomorrow.

## **Hello Congregation from the Youth!**

Our Youth Group is planning a trip to the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans in July of 2025. Here we will worship with thousands of other young Christians around the country. However, in order to do this amazing experience, we need funds.

One fundraiser we will be having is called the Raise Craze. The Raise Craze is an online platform which enables us to set up secure, custom websites where we request donations via email, text, and social media. During the fundraiser, we can pay the money forward by completing Acts of Kindness for others. We will be doing volunteer activities in the hopes that members of the congregation will donate money including church workdays and Kids' Christmas morning. Here is the link for Raise Craze: <https://my.raisecraze.com/give/amvx2bm/>

In December, the Youth Group will have a Craft Sale. We will bring in a variety of homemade items such as crocheted hats, stuffed creatures, and felted objects.

## **Thank you from Renata!**

Thank you for the card and words of appreciation and the generous gifts. It is my joy to plan, prepare and present sacred music for the church service. My intent is to create an atmosphere of worship for everyone.

## **Thank you, Gentlemen,**

Thank you to the men who raked leaves here at church and also at the homes of a couple of our members last Saturday. Many thanks, also, to those who continue to help month after month on our workdays. Your servant hearts are greatly appreciated.

## **Advent Midweek Worship: The Songs of Luke**

We will meditate on and sing the songs (canticles) we find in the opening chapters of the Gospel of Luke surrounding and celebrating the birth of Christ. Services are December 4th, 11th and 18th at 11 am and 7 p.m.

The Song of Zechariah (Benedictus)

The Song of Mary (Magnificat)

The Song of the Angels (Gloria)

## **Care Committee Needs**

Our CARE committee tries to provide meals and transportation for families when the need arises: sickness, birth of a baby, ongoing medical issues, etc. If you are able to provide occasional meals, make freezer meals, or can transport people to doctor appointments, please contact Carolyn Loudon, Debbie Oldhouser, or Irene Giguere. Thank you for considering this gift of time.

## **Installation Service of LMS Executive Director**

Is Saturday, November 23, 11:00. Immanuel Lutheran Church (5701 Loch Raven Blvd., Baltimore). Rev. Lucas Witt will be installed as Executive Director of the Lutheran Mission Society of Maryland. A meal will be served downstairs afterwards.

## **Mission Trip 2025**

Have you ever thought about being a part of a mission trip? The St. Paul mission trips? We will have a meeting for those who are interested or want to learn more on January 9th at 7 p.m. (That is a date change from the newsletter). No obligation but come to talk about, learn more and discuss what we might do in 2025. Summer? North Carolina? Dominican Republic? Anyone is invited, the trip is open to all - invite friends or neighbors. More information: contact Roy or Heather Krakat.

## **Thanksgiving Day Worship is at 10 am**

Join us to give thanks to the One who gives all good gifts!

## **Angel Tree**

St. Paul will again be purchasing gifts for inner city children. We should get names in the next week or so. Watch for our ANGEL BOARD in the narthex.

## **Kids Christmas Morning - Saturday, December 14th**

Mark your calendars and start spreading the news! Come hear The Christmas Story, enjoy crafts, build a gingerbread house, and visit with Santa! It's a wonderful way for children to celebrate the Christmas season. Stay tuned for more information and volunteer opportunities. See Karyn Borth if you'd like to join the planning committee.



## **Milk or Juice Cartons Needed!**

These cartons are used for the Gingerbread Houses at Kids Xmas Morning. Please wash with hot soapy water and air dry. The lids are not needed. Drop them off in the foyer at the candy bin.

## **Candy Donations Needed!**

Please take a list from the donation bin in the foyer and drop off your donation any time. Right now we especially need 2lb bags of powdered sugar and any brand plain, regular size graham crackers. Specific candies include: Gum drops (lrg & sm), Sweet Tarts, Licorice, Twizzler Bites, Lifesavers, Smarties, Tootsie Rolls (sm), Skittles, M&Ms, Jolly Ranchers, Marshmallows (lrg & sm), and pretzel sticks.

## **A Concordia Prep Christmas**

The Fine Arts Department at Concordia Prep is hosting A Concordia Christmas from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. on December 7 on their campus in the Gym. (1145 Concordia Dr. Towson, MD) In addition to vocal and instrumental music performed by student ensembles, the event, which is open to the CPS community, includes the annual Christmas Cookie Walk, winter art show, and other holiday activities, as well as vendor and craft tables.

Want to be a vendor at the event? Individuals, families, and groups are invited to purchase a holiday craft-making table or a table to sell homemade items such as: Christmas wreaths, ornaments, or garland, woodworking, jewelry, holiday shirts or Christmas movie quote mugs, stockings, sugar scrubs, bath bombs, soap, candles, knitted/crocheted clothing, potpourri, home décor sets, dining table centerpieces, mini-Christmas trees, Christmas gift baskets, etc. If interested in being a vendor at A Concordia Prep Christmas on December 7, please email Mr. Avery Kesar and Mr. Adam Shewyer at [CPSMusic@concordiaprepschool.org](mailto:CPSMusic@concordiaprepschool.org) by November 25; include a brief description of what you will be selling (or having guests make). The cost for one vendor spot is \$20. Thank you for considering being a part of *A Concordia Prep Christmas!*

## **Operation Christmas Child**

The church and school families are invited again this year to participate in Operation Christmas Child, the annual "shoebox" drive facilitated by Samaritan's Purse, where gift boxes are sent to children across the world along with a message of hope in the birth of our Lord and Savior. This outreach effort seeks to provide God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world and an opportunity to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Shoeboxes are available for pickup today with a deadline to fill them for collection by Sunday, November 24. As in years past, boxes can be brought to church anytime on or before that last Sunday in November.



## **Grain Train Coat Collection**

Orphan Grain Train is collecting winter coats and jackets for inner-city Lutheran churches to distribute to their surrounding communities. We need new or gently used winter coats/jackets for men, women and children - but this year especially, for children. Coats and jackets can be brought to St. Paul any Sunday, starting November 3. The Giguere COATMOBILE (i.e. red pickup truck) will be in the parking lot. Bag your coats and put them in the bed of the truck. You may also place other items for OGT (bedding, clothing, fabric, medical equipment, shoes, soft toys, children's books, etc.) in the truck. Coats will be collected November 1 – December 15.

## December Newsletter

Articles for the December Newsletter are due November 26. Please submit your article to [linda.jones@splscatonsville.org](mailto:linda.jones@splscatonsville.org).

### Daily Readings

Nov 17, 2024	Jer 33:1–22, Matt 27:11–32
Nov 18, 2024	Jer 37:1–21, Matt 27:33–56
Nov 19, 2024	Jer 38:1–28, Matt 27:57–66
Nov 20, 2024	Dan 1:1–21, Matt 28:1–20
Nov 21, 2024	Dan 2:1–23, Rev 18:1–24
Nov 22, 2024	Dan 2:24–49, Rev 19:1–21
Nov 23, 2024	Dan 3:1–30, Rev 20:1–15

### Serving at St. Paul

	<b>This week 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Next week 24<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Cantor</b>	JB Jaeger	JB Jaeger
<b>Reader</b>	Pastor Roemer	Kate Baeder
<b>Usher</b>	Don Easton	Greg McDonald
<b>Usher</b>	Bill Oldhouser	Jeffrey Hemmeter
<b>Greeter</b>	Sari Nguyen	Doris Schascheck



## **CHURCH MEMBERS**

Sari Nguyen (recovering from eye surgery)  
Janice Gay (treatment for A-fib)  
Lindsey Gay (continuing treatment)  
Marilyn Blomster (recovering)  
Laurie Dungey (continued improvement)  
David Nguyen (recovering from back surgery)  
Debbie Frech (cancer, chemotherapy treatments)  
Marilyn Haberl (scleroderma)



## **SHUT-INS**

Betty Blackburn, Dorothy Shifflett and Janet Conklin.

## **FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

Thanksgiving for the wedding yesterday of Liz Oldhouser and Ethan Hodges  
Sandy Miller recovering for brain surgery (friend of the Kynes) 11/17  
For family of Mark Neebe, who died suddenly and unexpectedly last week (cousin of Gigueres)  
Charlie Acaron, shoulder surgery (friend of Diane Jaeger's)  
Keith Alcorn, surgery for cancer and a blood clot (nephew of Ruth Payne)  
Eine Haasmaa had a bad fall at home (Mom of Sari Nguyen) 8/13  
Marlene for cancer and spiritual healing (friend of Sari Nguyen) 8/13  
Margaret Cole for healing from surgery (Hannah Hauk, visitor to St. Paul) 8/11  
Elsie Cox, congestive heart failure (friend of the Kynes) 7/31  
Wendi, breast cancer (friend of the Kynes) 7/31  
Tamara, continuing prayer for health (friend of Sari Nguyen) 7/30  
Garrette Porter, in hospice (friend of Bruce Staudinger) 7/21  
Chaplain Eric Malmstrom, (friend of the Jaegers), prayers for recovery.  
Donnie Andrus (Bruce Staudinger's stepson, terminal cancer) 6/12

Prayer is a great gift and privilege for Christians. To add people to the prayer list printed in the bulletin, please email [pastoralms@stpaulcatonsville.org](mailto:pastoralms@stpaulcatonsville.org) or [linda.jones@splscatonsville.org](mailto:linda.jones@splscatonsville.org) or call the church office at 410-747-1897. Family and friends will automatically be removed after one month. If you want your request to stay on for another month, just contact the office.