ALL SAINTS' DAY



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WELCOME

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and our Lord Christ Jesus. We're glad you found your way to us. If you're feeling lost, please be sure to reach out to your neighbor, and they will be happy to answer any questions you might have. We hope you feel welcome and comfortable at Town and Country.

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO THOSE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

We are very delighted you are here today. We know that your children are a gift to the Church, so we will do our best to welcome, encourage, and bless you all. At Town and Country, we want you to feel at home.

- First, please relax and enjoy your time here. Jesus knows that children tend to wiggle and giggle a bit, so please don't feel embarrassed. Children are always welcome.
- To make it a bit easier on your family, please sit toward the front where your children can easily see. Encourage them to note the colors, hear the music, watch the pastor, and embrace the action at the altar. What Jesus is doing here promises to engage them.
- As we go along, softly explain the liturgy to your children, encouraging them to join in on parts. *Amen! Lord have mercy! Our Father!* These belong to them, too.
- Be sure to sing, speak, and pray your parts also as you sit and stand. Your children learn by following your lead.
- If you must leave, please hurry back. We want your children here with us!
- If you need any help, please ask. There are many people here who will lend you a hand.

Please know that while you are caring for your children, the rest of us will be rejoicing with you in Jesus words, **"Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." (Luke 18:16-17 ESV)**

A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in peace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

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WELCOME TO TOWN AND COUNTRY

Feel free to take a copy of our monthly newsletter on the wall near the church entrance. We also have copies of the Portals of Prayer devotional booklets. Visitors may sign our Guest Book at the church entrance or fill out a Welcome Card found in the pew.

COMMUNION STATEMENT

The Lord's Supper is a wonderful gift given to us by God. In the bread and wine, Christ gives His body and blood to forgive sins, renews faith, and causes Godly and brotherly love to grow. We remember and praise God for the sacrifice Christ made on our behalf on the cross.

Out of pastoral concern and care and taking to heart the word in 1 Corinthians 11:28, "A person ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink of the cup." To receive this means of God's grace properly we should positively answer the following, "Do I need forgiveness for sin?" "Do I believe in Christ as my Savior?" Do I trust that Christ is present in the bread and wine?" Do I desire to turn from sin and live anew to God and to others in love and service?"

- If you are unsure about what it means to take the Lord's Supper, please speak to the pastor prior to the service.
- Children are invited to attend with folded hands below the rail to receive a blessing. Youth recently confirmed or who have completed an Early Communion class are encouraged to hold out their hand to assist the servers in distribution.
- Non-alcoholic wine is available in the center of the serving tray. Gluten free wafers are available by request.

Let us now celebrate the Love of the Lamb of God!

P = Pastor **C = Congregation** A = Assistant

ALL SAINTS' DAY



Saints Are Blessed in the Eternal Presence of Christ

"A great multitude … from all tribes and peoples and languages" cry out, *"Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne"* (Rev. 7:9–10). Faith-filled saints from every place and time with unified voices eternally magnify the Lamb of God. As His beloved children, we, too, *"shall see him as he is"* (1 John 3:2). Joined with the throng of angels and myriad saints, we shall *"serve him day and night in his temple"* (Rev. 7:15). In our earthly tension vacillating between saint and sinner, faith and doubt, sacred and profane, we earnestly seek Jesus to calm our fears, comfort our spirits and forgive our sins. The Holy Spirit, through faith in Christ, propels us forward to our eternal home, fortifying us in Word and Sacrament. In the midst of our constant struggle as believers, we need to be blessed. And so we are. The poor in spirit, the meek, the hungry, the thirsty, the merciful, the pure and the persecuted are all blessed, and we will most certainly inherit the kingdom of heaven (Matt. 5:1–12).

DIVINE SERVICE

Setting Four (LSB 203)

PRELUDE

WELCOME

HYMN OF INVOCATION **YE WATCHERS AND YE HOLY ONES** | *LSB 670*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Stand

INVOCATION *Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*

P In the name of the Father and of the ✣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Psalm 124:8; Psalm 130:3–4; Luke 18:13*

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

CONFESSION OF SINS

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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.**

SERVICE OF THE WORD

KYRIE *Mark 10:47*



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *Luke 2:14; John 1:29*



Text: Stephen P. Starke

COLLECT

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for

those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

FIRST READING *Revelation 7:2–17*

A The Old Testament Reading is from Revelation, chapter 7.

2 Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the
living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given
power to harm earth and sea, 3 saying, "Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees,
until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads." 4 And I heard the
number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:

5 12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed,
12,000 from the tribe of Reuben,
12,000 from the tribe of Gad,
6 12,000 from the tribe of Asher,
12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali,
12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,
7 12,000 from the tribe of Simeon,
12,000 from the tribe of Levi,
12,000 from the tribe of Issachar,
8 12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun,
12,000 from the tribe of Joseph,
12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

9 After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from
every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and
before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, 10 and crying
out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the
Lamb!" 11 And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and
the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped

God, [12]saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

[13]Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" [14]I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "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.

[15]"Therefore they are before the throne of God,
and serve him day and night in his temple;
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.
[16]They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;
the sun shall not strike them,
nor any scorching heat.
[17]For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of living water,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE *1 John 3:1–3*

A The Epistle is from 1 John, chapter 3.

[1]See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. [2]Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. [3]And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

CHOIR **PSALM 46 (GOD IS OUR REFUGE)**

Stand

GRADUAL AND VERSE

P Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,

C **and His greatness is unsearchable.**

P On Your wondrous works, I will meditate,

C **and I will declare Your greatness.**

P Alleluia. Everyone who acknowledges Me before men, I also will acknowledge before My Father who is in heaven.

C **Alleluia.**

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 5:1–12*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

1 Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his
disciples came to him.
2 And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:
3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
5 "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.
6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.
7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.
8 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
9 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.
10 "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the
kingdom of heaven.
11 "Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil
against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in
heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

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 ✢ of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY **FOR ALL THE SAINTS** | *LSB 677 (vs. 1-3)*

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY **FOR ALL THE SAINTS** | *LSB 677 (vs. 4-6)*

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs:

The close and response to each petition is...

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

Dearly departed this past year:
Kathy Bradford
Jim Coviello
Marion Dodd
Harold Kaden

The prayer concludes...

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

C **Amen.**

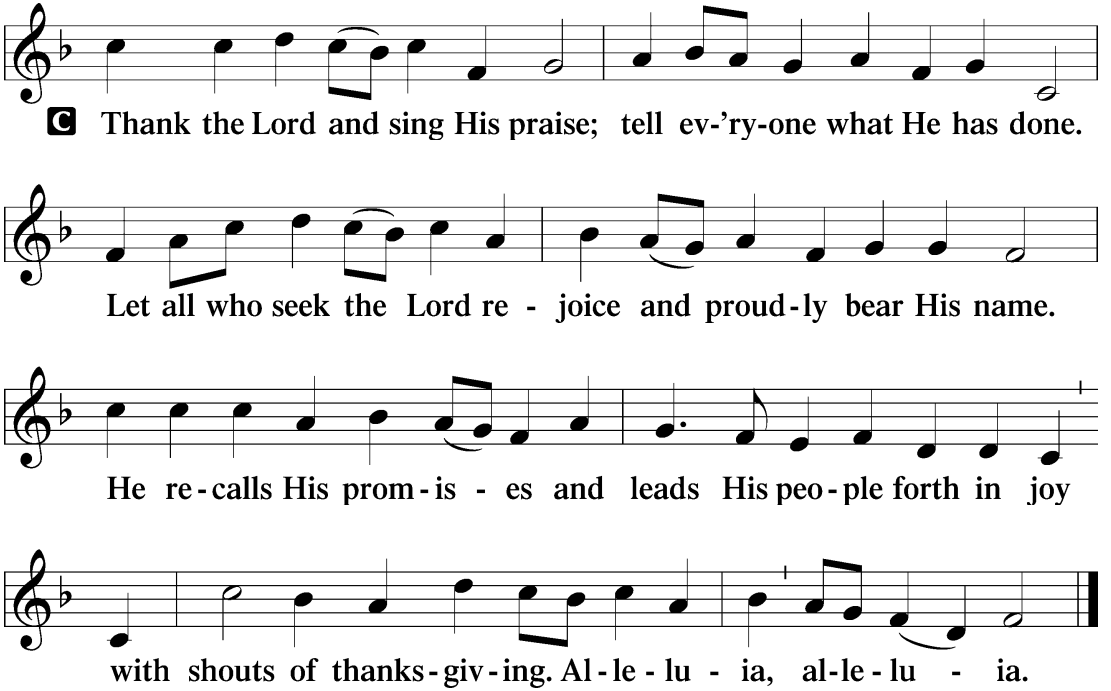
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OFFERING

To help us know you and meet your needs, please fill in the ***Worship Attendance Card*** *found in your pew and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher.*

Stand

OFFERTORY *LSB 164*



SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

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

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

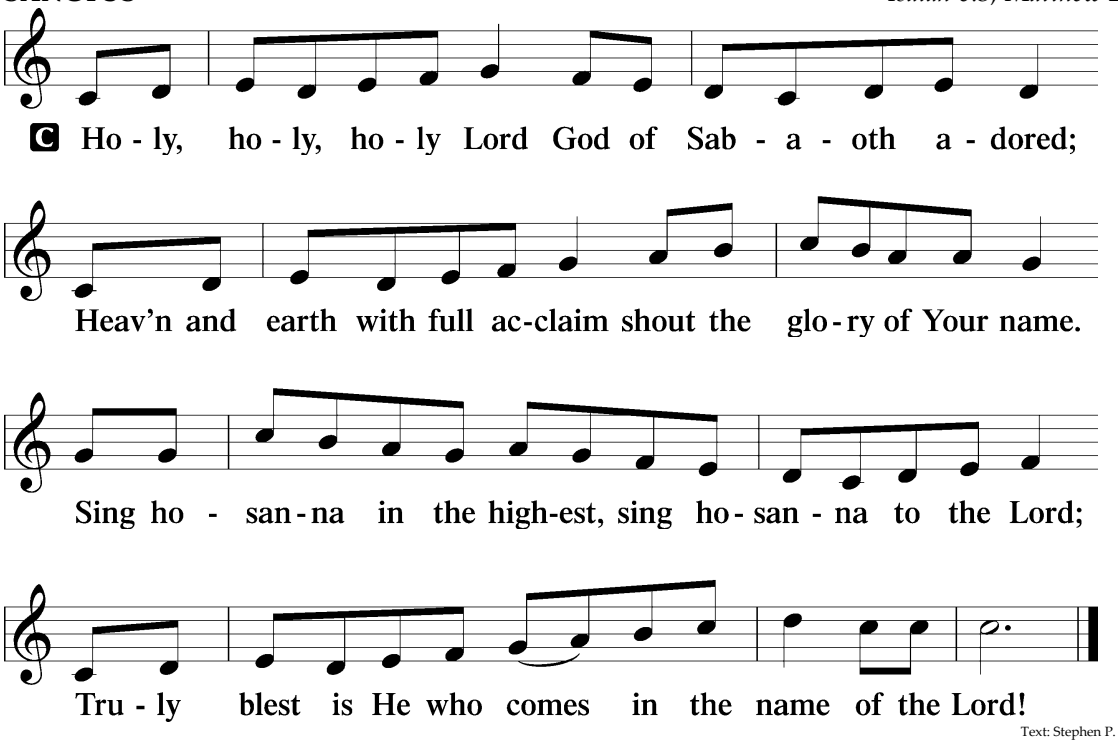
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS *Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



Text: Stephen P. Starke

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

By faith the saints of old held fast to Your promise of things hoped for though not yet seen, leaving an example and encouragement for us who walk now by faith and not by sight.

Grant that we may faithfully eat and drink this Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood and in the union of His mystical body, the Church, be joined in unending praise with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; Moses, Elijah, and all the faithful prophets; the blessed apostles and evangelists, the holy martyrs, and all the saints in glory who fought the good fight of faith before us.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✢ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

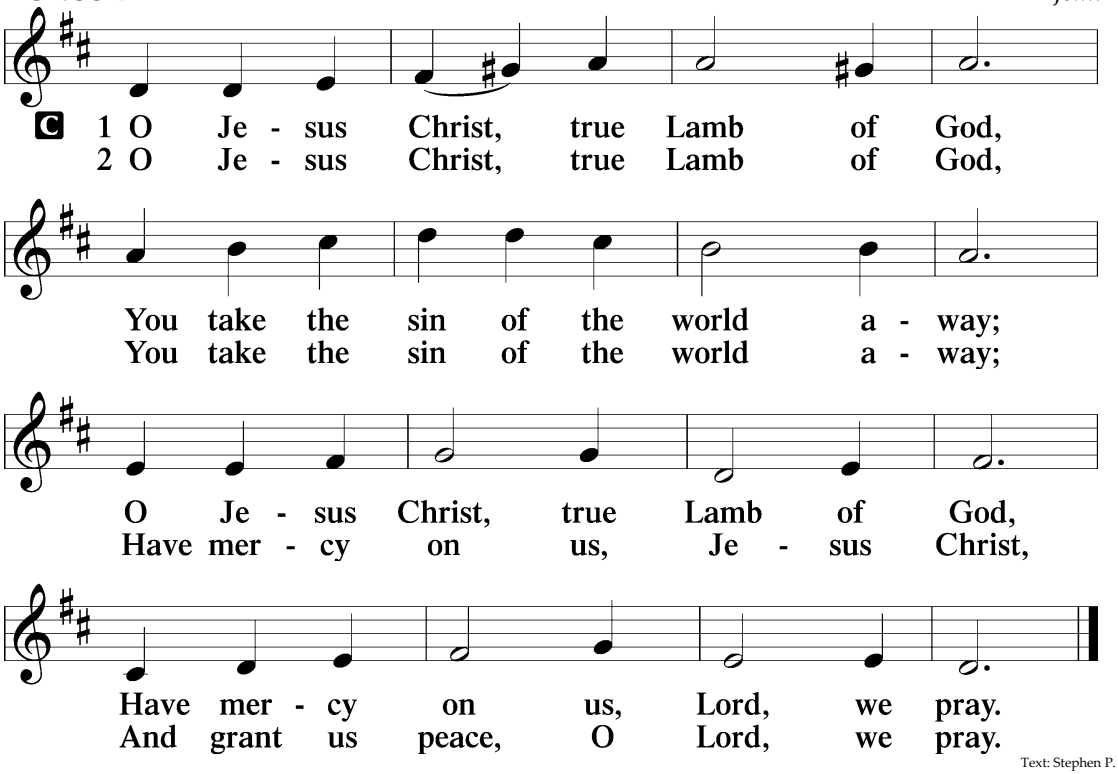
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✢ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI *John 1:29*



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DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

DISTRIBUTION HYMN **THINE THE AMEN, THINE THE PRAISE** | *LSB 680*

DISTRIBUTION HYMN **JERUSALEM THE GOLDEN** | *LSB 672*

Stand

THE DISMISSAL

℗ The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ☩ in peace.

ℂ **Amen.**

NUNC DIMITTIS *Luke 2:29–32*



POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

BENEDICAMUS *Psalm 103:1*

A Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

BENEDICTION

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 **Amen.**

Sit

HYMN TO DEPART **FOR ALL THE SAINTS** | *LSB 677 (vs. 7-8)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

P The service is ended; go in peace, to love and serve our Lord.

C **In the name of Jesus. Amen.**

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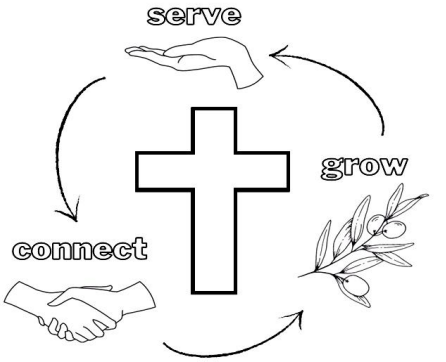
The Lamb

AT THE CENTER
OF THE THRONE
WILL BE THEIR
SHEPHERD

REVELATION 7:17

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Guest Pastor	Rev. Robert Fickenscher
Lay Ministers	Rich Nelson, Kirk Schild
Greeters	Rich & Sharon Nelson
Ushers	Tim Castleman, Dan Smith, Sharon Nelson, Ryan Espinoza
Organist/Pianist	Paul Krieg
Choir Director	Londa Skov
Choir Organist	Luther Skov
Reader	Lisa Smith
Screen	Ben Dotson
Sound	Tom Matthews
Altar Guild	Arlis Schild, Jacque Meyer, Hannah Tyndall, Peggy Mankin-Poddig
Fellowship	Rod & Gina Oswalt



The altar flowers today were provided by Susie and Steve Suhr in celebration of their birthdays.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer requests to be included in morning prayers can be given to an usher before church, who will pass it on to the Pastor. If you want to request prayer from "The Prayer Connection" please call Marge Otto (916) 481-3593 – After 6 PM please call Tracy Sanderson (916) 396-0846

PRAYER LIST

Serving Jesus at home…

Yvonne Jones
Tom Stoner
Jody Stewart
Gary Wiedeman

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UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

November 1 - 8, 2026

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1
9:30 am **Divine Service**
10:45 am Fellowship
11:00 am **Education Hour**
Children's Sunday School & Adult Bible Class

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3
7:00 pm BUGs Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4
10:00 am Joy in the Morning
6:00 pm Bells Practice
6:30 pm Choir Practice
7:00 pm **Evening Prayer Service**

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5
7:00 am Men's Breakfast @ Flapjacks
9:30 am Ladies Bible Class

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6
10:00 am Quilters and Crafters

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7
10:00 am LWML Meeting
10:30 am Confirmation Class

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8
9:30 am **Divine Service**
10:45 am Fellowship
11:00 am **Education Hour**
Children's Sunday School & Adult Bible Class

Church Office Hours:

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THANK YOU! Pastor Bob, for leading us in worship today. We are always blessed to have you here in Pastor Mankin's absence.

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

The newsletter has been emailed to church members and those on our email list. If you would like to be added to the list, please email matt@tclutheranchurch.org. Hard copies are available at the church entrance.

PORTALS OF PRAYER

Daily devotion booklets for October-December are available at the church entrance.

HARVEST FIELD

We continue to pray for our loved ones, for the faith that we are blessed with by the Holy Spirit to call upon them:

Bonnie M., James S., Phyllis P., Matthew B. & Carson P.

You may add to the list at the church entrance, if you want fellow church members to pray for everlasting life-giving faith for your loved ones.