

Twenty Third Sunday after Pentecost



November 16th, 2025

About Us

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, has been firmly planted in the Phillips Community since 1912. A Reconciling in Christ (RIC) congregation, we celebrate our diversity of age, race, gender identities, sexual orientations, culture and citizenship.

Welcome, Visitors!

Welcome to all visitors and guests. If you live here, we hope you'll consider joining. If you are here for a short time, we hope you'll feel at home. Please pick up a copy of our newsletter, *The Sentinel*, from the entry table. **Need hearing assistance or larger print?** Please ask an usher.

Children are welcome to participate fully in worship. We feel strongly that children's spirituality develops through experience. In our community, children lead as ushers, musicians, readers and communion servers. We expect that children will behave as children – giggles, wiggles, and all. We offer a playground in the Sanctuary with books and coloring supplies for kids to use during the service. There are bags that can be brought to your seats with supplies. We also have a reading corner in the Hospitality Center with books and toys. Kids and their parents are invited to go in and out of the Sanctuary as needed.

Safe Church. For the safety of all children, we ask that children be attended at all times. Please accompany your child to the bathroom and reading corner. Copies of our Safe Church Policy are available from the church office.

Transportation and Parking

Parking - Parking is available in the parking lot off the alley behind church, on the local streets (follow signs as some parking is only residential or has hour restrictions) and at the Hope Academy Parking ramp at 24th St and Park Ave. The arms are up on Sunday mornings until 2pm. Parking there other days requires a code. Pick up a card at church with the ramp code. There are handicap parking spots available in the front and back of the church.

Bus - The D line runs every 10 minutes on Chicago Ave. For more options, visit metrotransit.org.

Mission of the month: Indigenous Protector Movement

Indigenous Protector Movement (IPM) is a grassroots non-profit organization located in our neighborhood that is dedicated to protecting Indigenous land and communities through direct action, advocacy, and community building. They have many initiatives that address community safety, healing and cultural wellness, and justice for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Relatives. We at OSLC are on a path to transfer a property to IPM as an act of reparation.

Online giving - If you are interested in giving online to Our Saviour's for the Mission of the Month or general offering, use this QR Code:



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The end is near. There is no doubt about it. The warnings are dire. The tone of today's texts is ominous. But the baptized know how to live in the meantime. The baptized are strengthened for the living of these days in word and sacrament. The baptized rally around the invitation of the apostle: "Do not be weary in doing what is right."

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

Welcome

***Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
our maker, our helper, and our keeper. **Amen.**

Faithful God,
**you have shown us the ways of your heart,
yet we stray from your paths.
We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression
and do not embrace the freedom
of your faithful promises.
We ignore our neighbors.
We exploit the earth.
We reject your abundance,
trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love.
Repair our relationships,
restore what we have broken,
renew our hearts,
and bring us to new life.
Amen.**

Hear the good news:
God the Faithful One loves you,
☩ in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.
Amen.

*Gathering Hymn

People Get Ready (adapted)

Curtis Mayfield

Verses sung by cantor, congregation sings chorus as indicated.

Peo ple get rea dy Change is com- ing What

3

ev er your bag- age lay it all down.

5

All we need is faith, that God's Love is with us.

7

There is e nough for ev' ry one.

Outro: We're getting ready, the time is now!

*Greetings

The grace of our Savior Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

*Prayer of the Day

Bible Presentations

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading

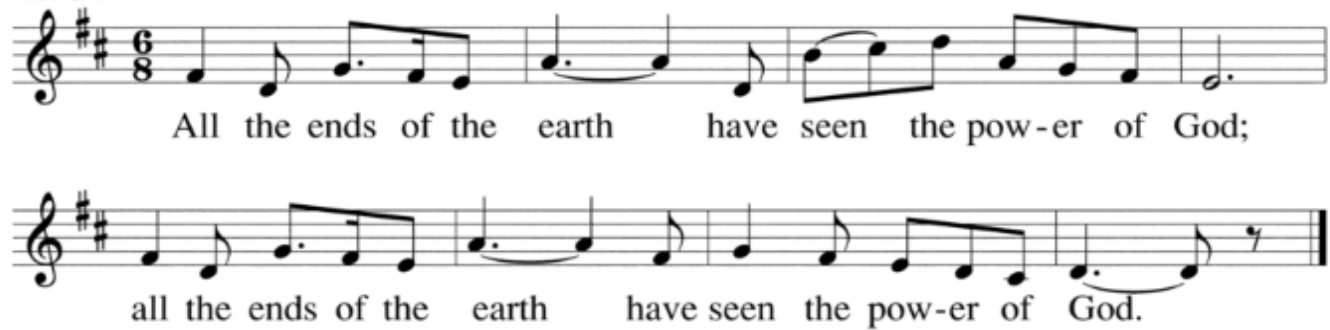
Malachi 4:1-2a

¹ See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the God of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ^{2a} But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God!**

Psalm 98 *All – Refrain; Reader - Verses*

Cantor will sing the refrain the first time through, then the congregation is invited to join.



*Gospel

Luke 21:5-19

The holy gospel according to Luke, the 21st chapter. **Glory to you, O God.**

⁵ When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, ⁶“As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.”

⁷ They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” ⁸ And Jesus said, “Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am the one!’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them.

⁹ “When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.” ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and country against country; ¹¹ there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

¹² “But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before rulers and governors because of my name. ¹³ This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴ So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; ¹⁵ for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be betrayed even by parents and family, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷ You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your souls.”

This is the Good News. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Sermon

5th and 6th Graders

After the children's sermon, young children may go with the nursery minister for children's church and be welcomed back during the sharing of the peace. They are also most welcome to stay in the sanctuary.

Special Music Selection *"Fear Not for Tomorrow"*

Natalie Sleeth

Congregation join in on last verse and chorus

Verse 3: Fear not for tomorrow,
But lift up your voice
In anthems of glorious praise.
Give thanks for your blessings and truly
Rejoice,
For God will be with you always.

Chorus: God will take care of you,
Go ev'ry where with you,
Always be there with you day by day.
God will provide for you,
Be as a guide to you,
Lovingly show you the way.

Sermon

A space for sermon notes can be found in the back of this worship bulletin.

*Hymn of the Day *My Life Flows on in Endless Song* #763

5. When tyrants tremble, sick with fear	In prison cell and dungeon vile
And hear their death-knell ringing	Our thoughts to them are winging
When friends rejoice both far and near	When friends by shame and undefiled
How can I keep from singing?	How can I keep from singing?

*Prayers of the People

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

*Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Gathering our Gifts

OSLC Adult Choir

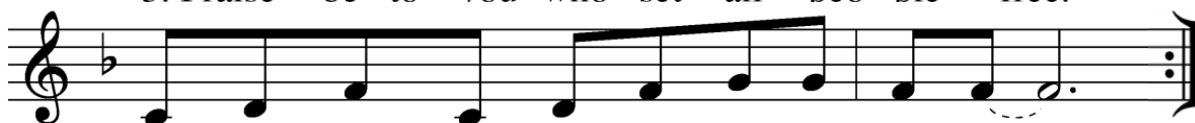
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*Offertory

Sing in a canon as directed.



1. Come, let us bring the warm and fra-grant bread.
2. Come, let us bring the sweet a - bun-dant wine.
3. Praise be to you who set all peo - ple free.



1. Bro - ken here so all God's peo - ple might be fed.
2. In this cup we taste the joy of grace di-vine.
3. Blest are they who share the feast of ju - bi-lee.

***Offertory Prayer**

***The Great Thanksgiving**

God be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts! **We lift them to our God.**

Let us give thanks to the Living God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

***Eucharistic Prayer**

As part of the eucharistic prayer we confess the great mystery of faith to the tune of the Civil Rights Movement anthem, "We Shall Overcome." We learned this from Trinity Lutheran in Manhattan:

Jesus Christ has died, Jesus Christ is risen,

Jesus Christ will come again.

Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe

Jesus Christ will come again.

***The Prayer of Jesus**

Our Mother, our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kin-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kin-dom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

**As part of our commitment to using inclusive and expansive language for God, this season we are modifying the word 'kingdom' which connotes both maleness and a form of government unfamiliar to most of us. Instead, we will use 'kin-dom' which captures the way Jesus radically redefines family and invites everyone into a loving relationship with God and neighbor. Whether saying 'kin-dom' or 'kingdom,' we proclaim the subversive reign of God's love and justice.*

Healing Prayer at the Font

During communion distribution, you are invited to the font for individual prayers.

Distribution

All are welcome at Christ's table. Ushers will guide you. After receiving bread or a gluten-free wafer, hold out your glass for wine (dark) or juice (light). Following communion, deposit your compostable cup with a server. Those who do not commune may indicate a preference for a blessing.

Come To The Table

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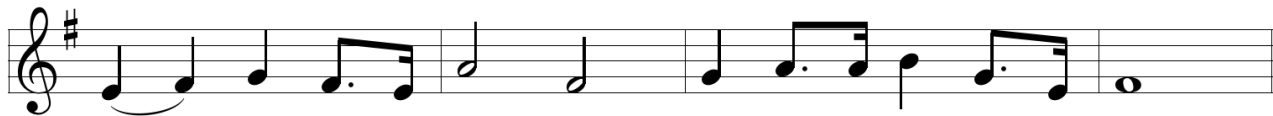
Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song

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Yarabba Ssalami (God of Peace) a Prayer from Palestine

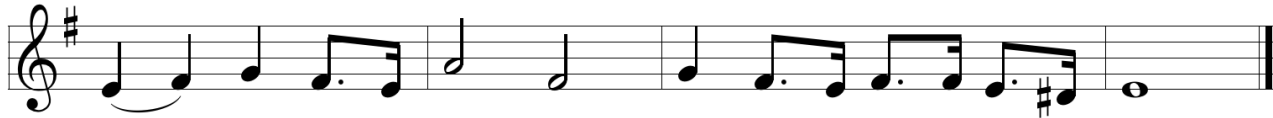
Translation: God of peace and of justice, rain down upon us your peace.

God of peace and of justice, fill every heart with your peace.



1 Ya - ra - bba ssa - la - mi am - ter a-laya - na ssa - lam.

2 Ya - ra - bba ssa - la - mi am - ter a-laya - na ssa - lam.



Ya - ra - bba ssa - la - mi im la' qu-lu - ba-na ssa-lam.

Ya - ra - bba ssa - la - mi im' nah bi-la - da-na ssa-lam.

***Blessing**

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

God Welcomes All

God welcomes all, strangers and friends;

God's love is strong and it never ends.

Stewardship Talk

***Benediction**

This is a benediction song that we learned at Luther Crest Bible Camp this summer.

As you go on your way may Christ go with you

May Christ go before you to show you the way

May Christ go behind you to encourage you

Beside you to befriend you, above you to watch over

Within you to give you peace

***Dismissal**

This is a benediction song that we learned at Luther Crest Bible Camp this summer.

Alleluia! Go in peace. Love and serve God! **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

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Today’s Worship

Ministers:	You!
Presiding:	Esther Sianipar
Preaching:	Martha Schwehn Bardwell
Reader:	3rd and 4th Graders
Prayers:	3rd and 4th Graders
Special Music:	Sunday School Classes
Musicians:	Alyssa Schwitzer & Kent Goodroad
Sound:	Mike Libby
Livestream:	Jakob Johnson
Communion Recruiters:	5th & 6th graders
Window Blinds:	Remi Hanson

This week at OSLC:

Wednesday, November 19

8:30AM-9:30AM DABS

10:15AM Bible Study (HC/Zoom)

5:30PM Community Meal

6:15PM Singing Circle

7PM Adult Choir

Saturday, November 22

10AM-12PM, Property Work Day

Sunday, November 23

9AM Adult Forum: The Serviceberry and Advent Traditions

Baptism of Kaleia Celistine Collins

Interested in becoming a member of OSLC?

Fall new member Sunday is December 7

Are you interested in becoming a member of OSLC? Wonderful! Please reach out to one of the pastors. We will receive and bless new members on December 7. Leading up to December 7, get to know OSLC:

- **We will pair new members with a 'sponsor,'** a current member who you'll get to know and who will be part of blessing you on new member Sunday.

SERMON NOTES



OUR SAVIOUR'S Lutheran Church

*Our Saviour's Lutheran Church is a dynamic community,
centered in Christ, called, nurtured and sent –
to celebrate, serve and do justice.*

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