St. Luke Lutheran Church

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Evangelical Lutheran Worship **Setting VII**
24th Sunday after Pentecost **November 8, 2026**



Dear Members & Guests - Welcome to Worship!
God has greatly blessed us with your presence today.
Thank you for responding to his invitation.

If you have a prayer request, please send it by email or voicemail to Letty in the church office.

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Sunnyvale Community Services
Preventing Homelessness and Hunger in Our Local Community

SERVING US THIS MORNING

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Greeters: Don & Loretta Merry (Front Door), TBD (Side Door)
Sunday School: Emily Bradshaw & Brennan Dooley
Worship Team: Andy Wadsworth, Beth Stauter, Wil & Deb Mandac
Background Worship: Beth Stauter
Organist: Beth Stauter
Choir Director: Chris Frye **Bell Choir Director:** Wil Mandac
Tech Team: Andy Wadsworth, Alan Martinez, Ethan ElAmir, Ethan Tan, Jordan Mandac, Madeleine Gan, Scarlett Marquez, Tim Ambrose, Tim and Denise Tsang
Prayer Chain Coordinator: Marlene Custer

Hearing Assistance devices are available in the Library/AV Room.
Please see pages 6/7 in the Announcement Pages for instructions on how to listen to/read the service in Mandarin, Hindi, Spanish and Tagalog on your phone or tablet.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC **Beth Stauter**

WELCOME **Pastor Dan Tisdel**

BELL INTROIT ***"COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING"*** **St. Luke Bells**
(By Patricia Sanders Cota)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

[P] Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth.
[C] Amen.
[P] Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

[P] Compassionate God,
[C] we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts. Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others.

Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world and reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

[P] Hear this good news: We have peace with God through ☩ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace.
[C] Amen.

GATHERING HYMN ***"MY LORD, WHAT A MORNING"*** ***ELW* #438**

INVOCATION *(music found on page 175)*

[P] The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all
[C] And also with you.

KYRIE

[C] Lord, have mercy on us; O Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy on us; O Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy on us; O Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy on us; O Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy on us; O Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy on us; O Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA *(music found on page 176)*

Gloria, gloria, gloria, glory to God on high!
Gloria, gloria, gloria, glory to God on high!
And on earth peace to God's people. Glory to God.
And on earth peace to God's people. Glory to God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

[A] Let us pray…

[C] O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE WITH KIRK AUTSEN

GOD ENCOUNTERS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

1st Reading – Amos 5:18-24

In the days of Amos, people thought that the day of the LORD would be a time of great victory, but Amos announced that it would be a day of darkness, not light. He said liturgy is no substitute for obedience. The LORD demands justice and righteousness in the community.

Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! Why do you want the day of the LORD? It is darkness, not light, as if someone fled from a lion and was met by a bear or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall and was bitten by a snake. Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it?

I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them, and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. But let justice roll down like water and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Psalm 70

OT => Old Testament windows (right) side of sanctuary
NT => New Testament windows (left) side of sanctuary

[OT] Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; O LORD, make haste to help me.
[NT] Let those who seek my life be put to shame and confounded; let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and be disgraced.
[OT] Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back because of their shame.
[NT] Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; let those who love your salvation say forever, "Great is the LORD!"

[C] But as for me, I am poor and needy; come to me quickly, O God. You are my helper and my deliverer; O LORD, do not tarry.

CHOIR ANTHEM ***"A GRACEFUL SONG OF PEACE (DONA NOBIS PACEM)"*** **St. Luke Choir**
(By Joseph Martin)

2nd Reading – 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Some of the Thessalonians are worried that dead Christians will be excluded from the resurrection to eternal life when Christ comes again. Paul reassures them with the word of hope that all Christians, living or dead, will be raised into everlasting life with Christ.

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will be with the Lord forever.

Therefore encourage one another with these words.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(music found on page 179)*
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia,
Alleluia! Alleluia!

[P] This is the Holy Gospel according to Matthew ...
[C] Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)

Gospel – Matthew 25:1-13 **Read by Pastor Dan Tisdel**
Jesus tells a parable about his own second coming, emphasizing the need for readiness at all times.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten young women took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those young women got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you

had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet, and the door was shut. Later the other young women came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

[P] This is the Gospel of the Lord.
[C] Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE "KEEPING THE LAMPS LIT" Pastor Dan Tisdel

HYMN OF THE DAY *"KEEP YOUR LAMPS TRIMMED AND BURNING"* ACS #949
(Purple Hymnal)

GATHERING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Prayer requests collected in the offering plates will be brought forward for the Prayers of the People.

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS
[A] Let us pray...
[C] Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED
[C] 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.
(*universal)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
[P & A] Hear us, O God
[C] Your mercy is great.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

PEACE OF CHRIST

TRANSITIONAL PRAYER

[A] Let us pray…
[C] Oh God, each time I worship and take communion, I want to recommit my life, my heart, my thoughts, my everything to You. Fill me today with Your powerful Spirit and help me grow closer to you and to my neighbor. Amen.

MEAL **Sung by Pastor Dan Tisdel**

The Great Thanksgiving
[P] The Lord be with you.
[C] And also with you.
[P] Lift up your hearts.
[C] We lift them to the Lord.
[P] Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
[C] It is right to give our thanks and praise.
[P] It is right to give our thanks and praise . . .

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY *(music found on page 181)*
Holy, holy, holy Lord God,
God of might and power; holy is the Lord.
Holy, holy, holy, holy Lord God,
God of might and power; holy is the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna here on earth.
Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna here on earth.
Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND BLESSING

THE 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.

"LAMB OF GOD" *(music found on page 182)*

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us, have mercy on us.
O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us, have mercy on us.
O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION MUSIC **Beth Stauter**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION - THE EUCHARIST (be seated)
Our Lord Jesus is the host of his table. He invites all to come to him. Everyone is welcome to commune with communion fellowship cups or by intinction with bread and your choice of wine or grape juice. If you are not communing, please receive a blessing of the day.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING
[P] Holy God, we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever.
[C] Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN ***"BLESSED ASSURANCE"*** ***ELW* #638**

BENEDICTION
[P] The holy Trinity, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God, today and always.
[C] Amen.

THE DISMISSAL
[A] Our worship continues; our service is just begun. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

[C] THANKS BE TO GOD!

POSTLUDE: ***"BLESSED ASSURANCE"*** **Beth Stauter**
(Arr. By J. Bert Carlson)