

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

November 1st, 2026



*God will wipe
away every
tear from
their eyes*

REVELATION 7:17

WELCOME

To our **Church Family**

We're Glad You're Here!



St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

We are so glad that you chose to worship with us today. If you are visiting with us for the first time, please visit our Welcome Center in the North Narthex. As our way of saying thank you, you will receive a St. Paul's Welcome Bag with a coffee cup and information about our church. You may also want to download our new St. Paul's App and visit our website. Information on both is in the Welcome Bag.

For our young worshipers we have children's packets to play and color with during the service. These are on the white stand near the east entrance to our sanctuary.

You are welcome at the table!

If you have been baptized and believe Christ is present in the Eucharist (Holy Communion), you are welcome to join us at the table. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers and return to your seats using the side aisles. If you do not wish to partake in the Sacrament but would like to receive a blessing, please just cross your hands over your chest when you come forward.

Grape juice and Gluten-free wafers are available on request. Grape juice is in the colored glasses in the center of the communion tray. If you are not able to come forward and would like to receive communion, please inform an usher and the pastor will bring communion to you.

Altar Flowers

The **Altar flowers** were given today by Loren Veigel in memory of his parents' anniversary. The **Throne flowers** were given today by Tim Ross in honor of Tim & Dave's 36th anniversary.

Introduction

All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.

We will be remembering those Saints who have gone before us:

Mary Martin	Evelyn Eclen	Paul Daily
Breda Brown	Jerry Vess	Larry Rollins
Sheila Vess	Patricia Enoch	

The Westminster Strike Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Suite No. 2 in D minor, BWV 1008: II. Allemande Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Karlis Graufelds, viola

All Saints Day Litany

In holy baptism God makes saints out of sinners. In holy communion God forgives the sins of all the saints. In worship today we give thanks for all the saints “who from their labors rest.”

We remember the great ancestors of our faith,
from Abraham and Sarah, to Paul and Phoebe:

Ancestors of the faith, we remember you.

We remember the prophets and priests,
the ministers and teachers who have taught us the way of God:

Teachers of the faith, we remember you.

We remember our grandparents and parents, aunts and uncles,
those who have gone before us in our lifetime:

Family of our faith, we remember you.

We lift up the memories of children and grandchildren,
brothers and sisters, husbands and wives and parents
whose lives ended too soon:

Those close in our heart, we remember you.

We lift up to You, O God,
the names of those we have lost in this past year from our lives,
knowing that they are with Your heart forever.

As we read these names, we will pause after every name
to remember, pray, and give thanks for their life.

Family of God, we remember you, and we honor you.

**We know you are with us in the spirit of worship,
and you will not be forgotten.**

(You are invited forward to light a candle in memory of a loved one)

Anthem

Suite No. 2 in D minor, BWV 1008: Prélude- Bach
Mr. Graufelds, viola

We give thanks, O God, for all who have gone on to join with You beyond this life.
We trust in the hope of resurrection and the promise of new life in Christ,
and know that in our grief and celebration, O God,
You are with us through it all, and we are not left alone.
In the name of Christ, in whom love lives forever, we pray.
Amen.

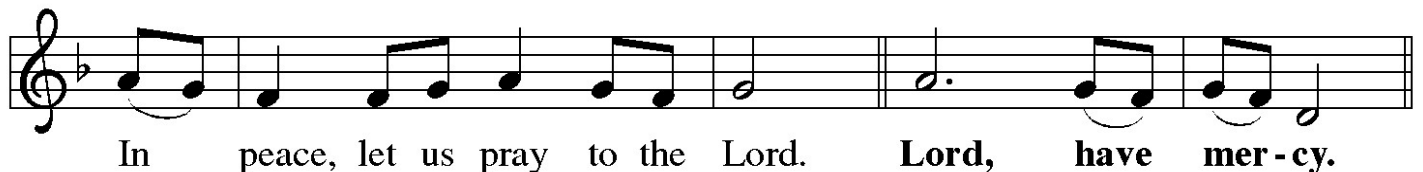
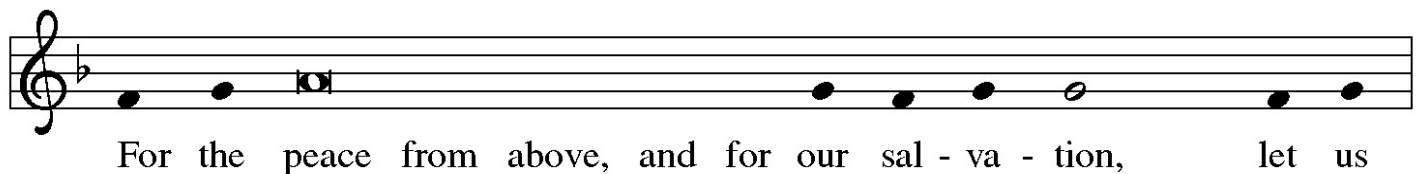
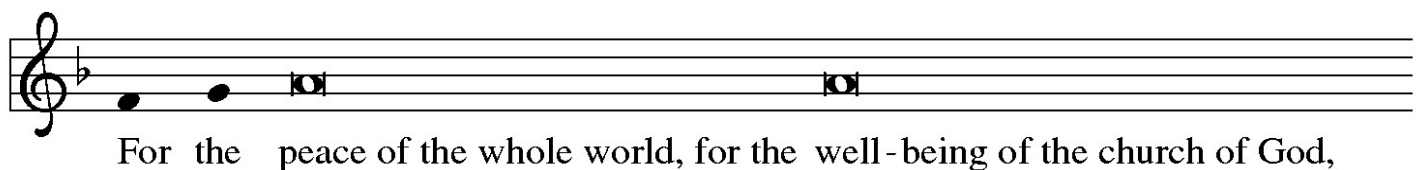
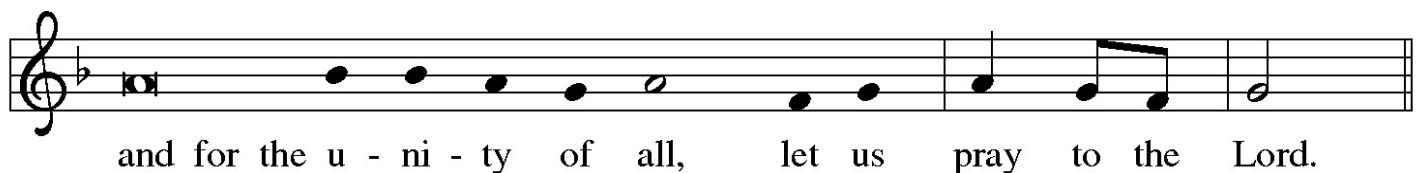
GATHERING HYMN

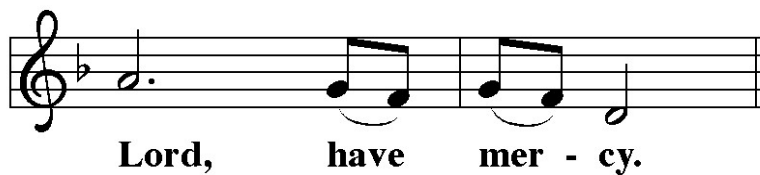
Sing With All the Saints In Glory

Bulletin Pg 23

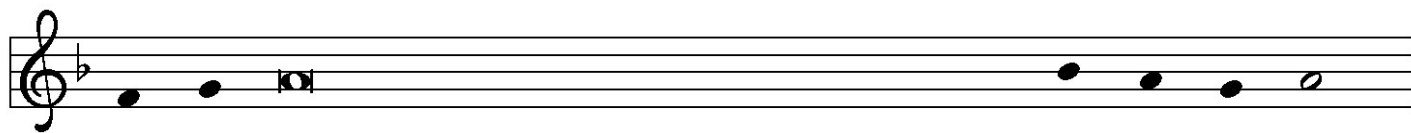
GREETING

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.

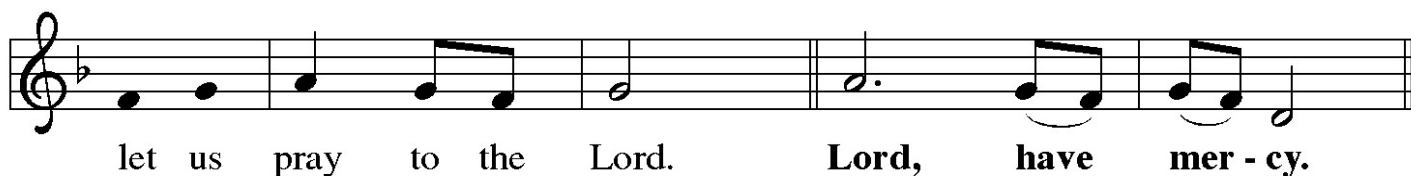




Lord, have mer - cy.



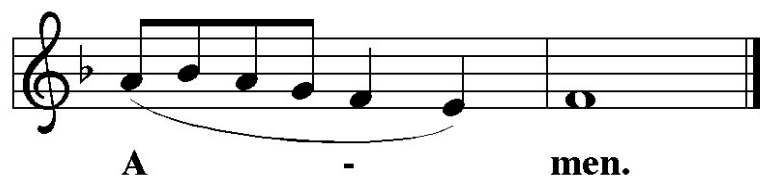
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain



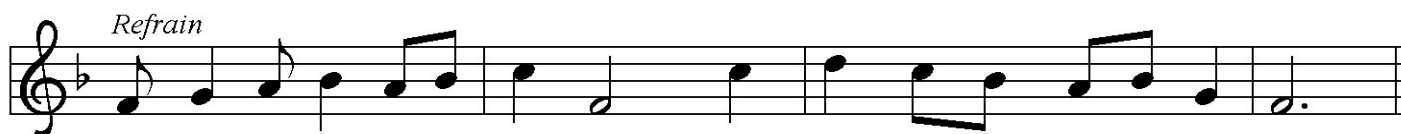
Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of



God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are



seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

⁹ After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰ They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!”

¹¹ And all the angels stood 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 singing,

“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, robed in white, and where have they come from?” ¹⁴ I said to him, “Sir, you are the one who knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵ For this reason they are before the throne of God and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

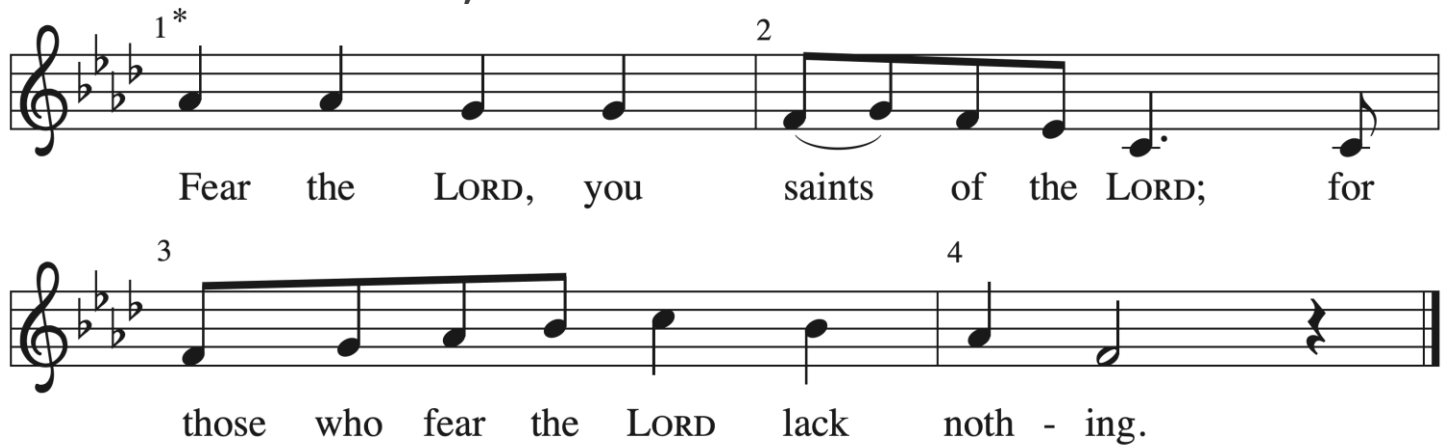
¹⁶ They will hunger no more and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat,

¹⁷ for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 34:1-10, 22



- ¹ I will bless the LORD[|] at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be[|] in my mouth.
- ² **I will glory[|] in the LORD;**
let the lowly hear[|] and rejoice. R
- ³ Proclaim with me the greatness[|] of the LORD;
let us exalt God's[|] name together.
- ⁴ **I sought the LORD, who[|] answered me**
and delivered me from[|] all my terrors.
- ⁵ Look upon the LORD[|] and be radiant,
and let not your faces[|] be ashamed.
- ⁶ **I called in my affliction, and[|] the LORD heard me**
and saved me from[|] all my troubles. R
- ⁷ The angel of the LORD encamps around those who[|] fear the LORD
and de-[|]livers them.
- ⁸ **Taste and see that the[|] LORD is good;**
happy are they who take ref-[|]uge in God!
- ⁹ Fear the LORD, you saints[|] of the LORD,
for those who fear the[|] LORD lack nothing.
- ¹⁰ **The lions are in want and[|] suffer hunger,**
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing[|] that is good.
- ²² O LORD, you redeem the life[|] of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will[|] not be punished. **R**

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

¹ See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not

know him. ² Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³ And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE



GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 5th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ² And he began to speak 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 will be comforted.

⁵ "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶ "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

⁷ "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸ "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹ "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰ "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹ "Blessed are you when people 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 in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Rev Mark Kreemer

HYMN OF THE DAY Shall We Gather At the River **ELW 423**

CREED .

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

After each petition the following response is given:

God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved. **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

ANTHEM

Gather At the River
Chancel Choir

Susan LaBarr (b. 1981)

*When peace like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll;
whatever my lot, thou has taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.
Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance
control. that Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and hath shed his own blood
for my soul. Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful river; gather with the saints
at the river, that flows by the throne of God. And, Lord, haste the day when my
faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll; the trump shall resound,
and the Lord shall descend, even so, it is well with my soul.*

OFFERTORY



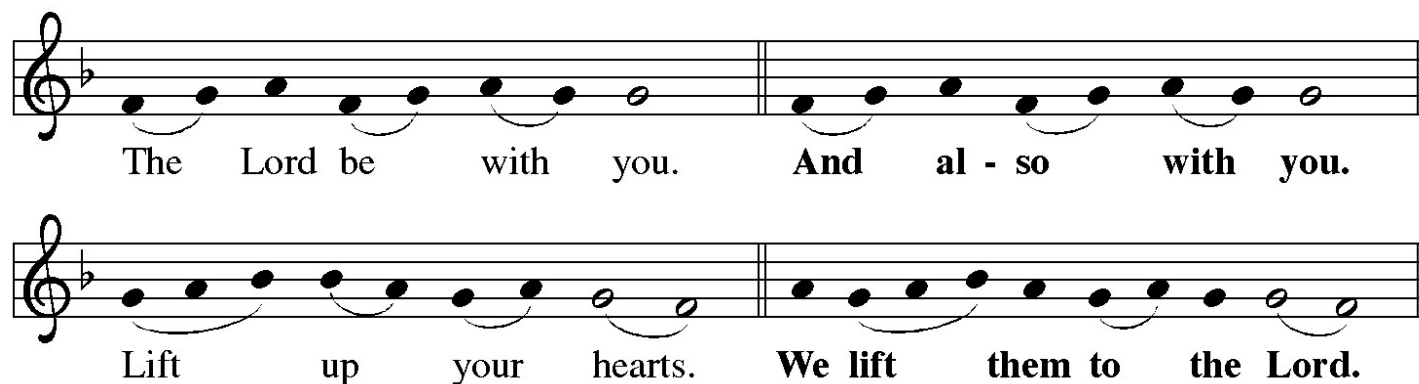
Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERING PRAYER

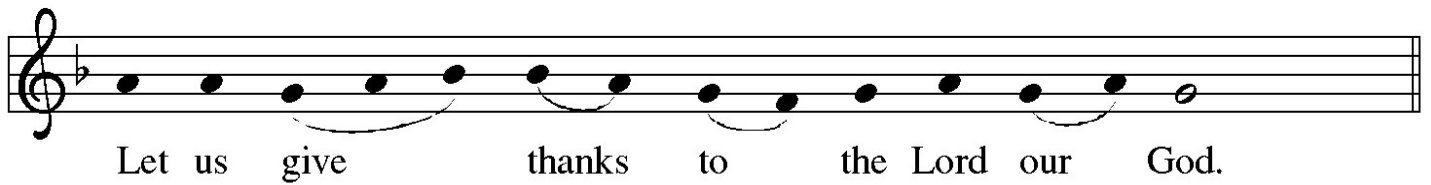
Let us Pray

Eternal God, our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

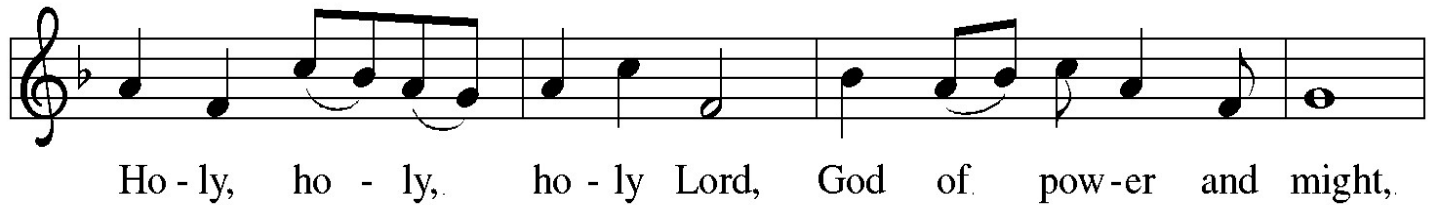
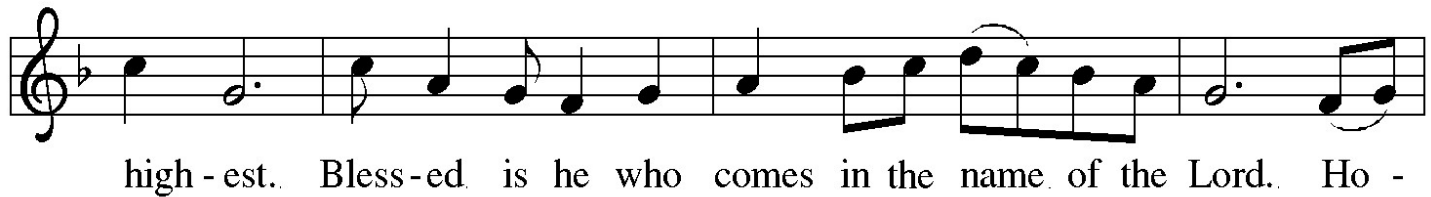
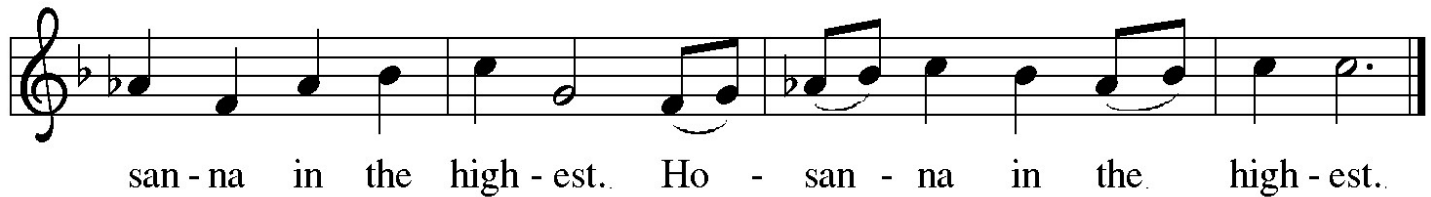
GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

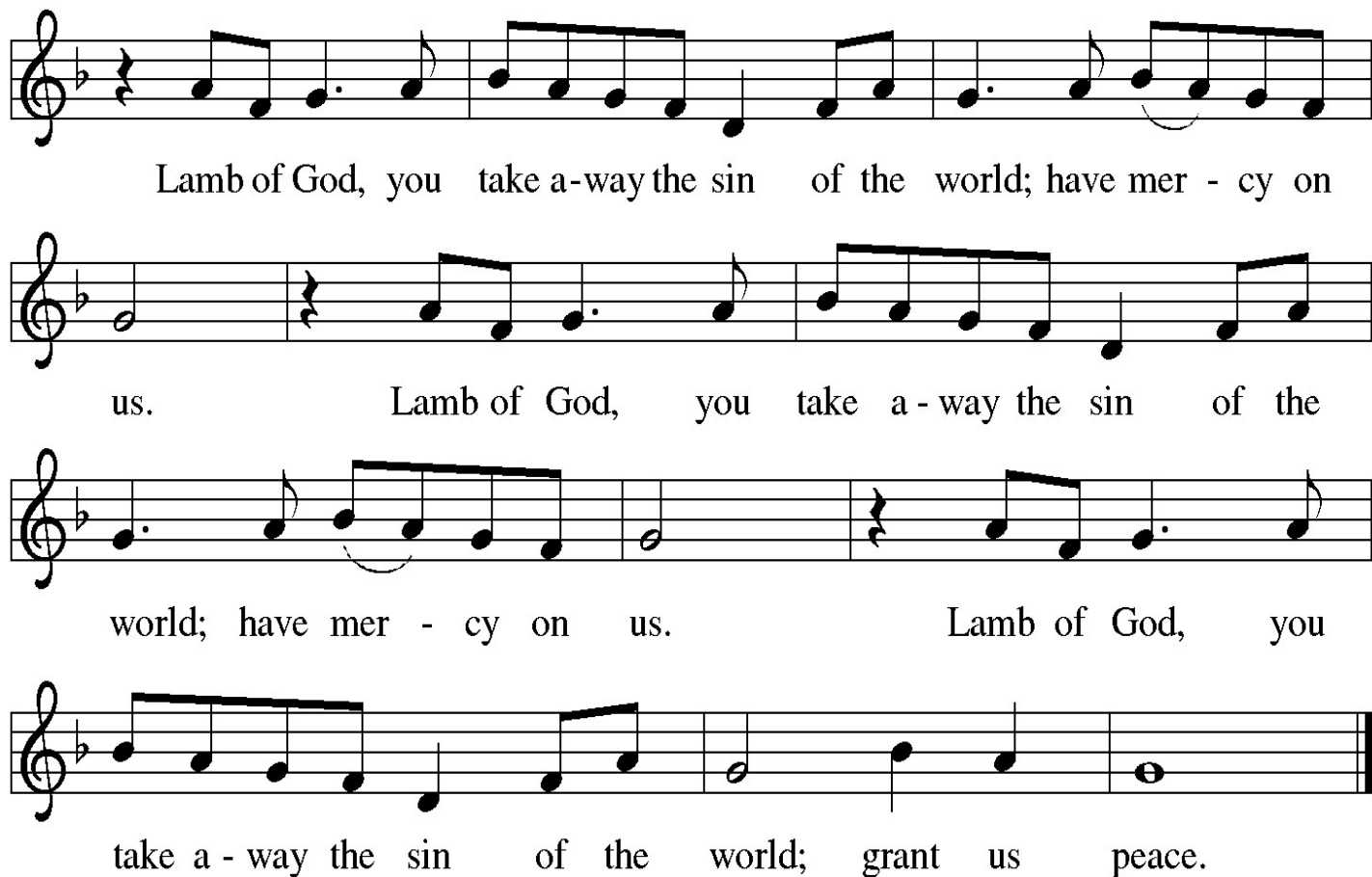
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,**

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 TO COMMUNION

In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in.
 Come, receive what Christ has prepared.

COMMUNION SONG



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.

Communion: Viola Concerto: I. Andante comodo
 Mr. Graufelds, viola

Sir William Walton

TABLE BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

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. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

For All the Saints

ELW 422

(verses 1-2, 6-7)

BLESSING

The holy Trinity,
Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God,
today and always.
Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Encourage one another.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude When the Saints Go Marching In- Rebecca Groom the Velde (b. 1956)

In our prayers today we will remember

Ken Mifflin, Jane Lanning, Mary Ellen Gresser, Greg Karlin, Maggie Paul, Amy Williams, Riley Hostatler, Lorili, Ema, Mason, Jan Hawley, La Shell Williamson, Cindy Lash, Bob & Marlene Rupp, Gary Maurer, Richard Green, Linda Wentling, Rick Theiss, Judy Hall, Karen Daily, Sandra Jelen, Jimmy Southard, Mark Gergley, Pam Neil, Chad Byington.

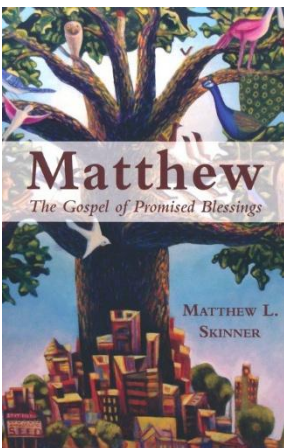
Music Notes:

Karlis Graufelds, from Lansdale, PA, is a second-year student at the Cleveland Institute of Music studying classical viola performance under the direction of Professor Sheila Browne. Karlis previously served as the principal violist of the Philadelphia Youth Orchestra under Maestro Luis Scaglione. Karlis was the principal violist in Adriana Linares' ArCoNet Youth Orchestra and has participated in the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association All-State, Regional and District Orchestras. Karlis has attended Oberlin Conservatory's Intensive Viola Workshop, the Dali Quartet International Music Festival, Green Mountain Chamber Music Festival, and the Kutztown University Summer Music Festival, where he was named principal violist of the festival orchestra and placed first runner-up in the festival concerto competition. Karlis is a current member of the Cleveland Institute of Music Orchestra, CIM chamber groups and guest violist for church services in both Pennsylvania and Ohio.



Let us know you are here.

Please sign the St. Paul's Friendship Register
at the end of your pew.



Thursday Morning Bible Study @ 10:00 am

Matthew: The Gospel of Promised Blessings

By: *Matthew L. Skinner*

The Gospel of Matthew portrays Jesus and his message as full of tender compassion and urgent warning. This six-part exploration of an enigmatic Gospel takes readers into the themes, topics, and tensions at the heart of Matthew's story about the life and work of Jesus.

Chapters focus on blessing and comfort, judgment and retribution, the meaning of discipleship, Jesus' vision for the Church and world, conflicts and complaints, and how the Gospel of Matthew speaks to believers today.

Adult Sunday School

The Prophet Jeremiah
...they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water.
(Jeremiah 2:13b)



Adult Sunday School

...they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water.
(Jeremiah 2:13b)

Jeremiah the Prophet

Jeremiah was given an important but very difficult assignment to accomplish - to speak truthfully about the failures of the people of Judah and to remind them of the One in whom they ought to put their trust, the Lord God of all creation. The book is filled with warnings, wisdom, and encouragement for living faithfully today. Please join us as we gather at 11:30 a.m. on Sundays, top floor Parish Hall for Bible study and fellowship. An elevator is available for easy access.

Adult Choir Rehearsals

Sunday Mornings at 8:30 am

All are welcome!

Join us at 8:30 AM in the choir room to make a joyful noise. All are welcome!



Handbell Choir

The Handbell choir will rehearse on **11/11, 11/18,** and **12/2** in preparation to ring on **December 6** in worship **AND** for the **Candlelight Walk.**

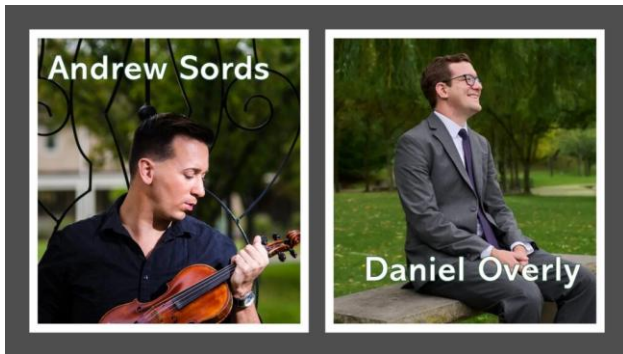
We meet at 6 pm. All are welcome, but please, please let Abby know if you plan to ring so she can prepare music for you!

Organ Repair Donations

If you wish to make donations specifically for organ repair, please mark your envelopes as such. If you give electronically, see Dan Farrar for details.



We have a concert tonight!
Sunday, November 1st at 3 PM
Pre-concert music by pianist Emma Rambler begins at 2:30 PM
Andrew Sords, Violin & Daniel Overly, Piano



Sords and Overly appear with works by Rachmaninoff, Beethoven, John Williams, and more in their Massillon debut. Hear the duo as they unite with powerful sonatas and entertaining showpieces. Fulbright award-winner Daniel Overly has shared the stage with the Cleveland Orchestra and members of the Vienna Philharmonic; Andrew Sords has recently headlined performances in Mexico City,

Toronto, Auckland, and Los Angeles.

Hear the duo as they unite with powerful sonatas and entertaining showpieces.



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You can request either or both formats by contacting the church office:

330.832.7409 or officeadmin@stpaulsmassillon.org

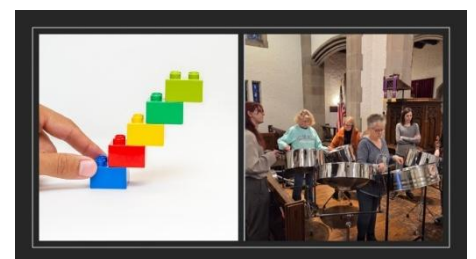
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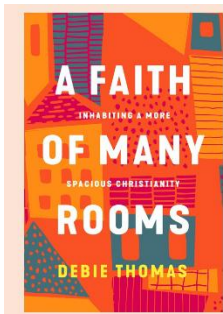


St. Paul's Steelband

Join us for weekly classes at **6pm**. The focus is on learning. If you've never walked near a steel drum, and want to learn, we have something for you!

Please join us on any Wednesday!





Books & Brews
Thursday starting
November 5th
@ 7:00 PM
Paradigm Shift
Brewing Company

Books & Brews: November 5, 2026

Grab a copy of *A Faith of Many Rooms: Inhabiting a More Spacious Christianity* by Debie Thomas and meet us for Books & Brews on Thursday, November 5 at 7:00 p.m. at Paradigm Shift Brewing Company.

Led by Pastor Tina Crog, this book discussion is one of our connection efforts for the Massillon Lutheran Cohort. In the book, author Debie Thomas reflects on

faith, doubt, belonging, and what it means to discover a Christianity spacious enough to make room for our questions, our differences, and our whole selves. Through personal stories and theological reflection, she invites readers to consider what it might look like to inhabit faith with greater authenticity and joy.

Come ready for good conversation, good questions, and good food!

Red Cross Blood Drive

The need is constant.

The gratification is instant.

Give Blood.

Our next blood drive is **Mon., Nov 16th from noon to 6pm.**

Schedule an appointment at <https://www.redcrossblood.org/>



God's Kitchen Angels are making homemade cut-out Christmas cookies.



- \$10/Dozen
- **Orders Due November 15th**
- Orders may be dropped off in offering plate, the office or you can call/text

Barb Palmer 330.244.1602

or

Sue Ambrosic 330.844.7648.

Pick-up date is November 22nd



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Community Social Media Pages

Facebook & Instagram, Search *“Massillon Area Churches”*

Facebook, Search *“St Paul’s Lutheran Church in Massillon”*

Or *“Cathedral Concerts at St Paul’s*

Assisted Hearing Devices Available

Four assisted listening devices are available at the sound system table in the back of the sanctuary at the beginning of worship. Please see Jim Johnson or John Stanko if you need assistance with these devices.



You can also use your smartphone to access the system. Go to your app store and download the **WaveCAST** app. Then connect to the sanctuary Wi-Fi: **Network:** sound media **Password:** Sound127

Coloring Page



The Sermon on the Mount
Matthew 5:1-12

Children’s Activity Bulletins

Crayons and Children’s Activity Bulletins are available at the side entrance. These are a fun way to spread today’s Gospel to our younger ones.

Children’s Activity Bulletin

November 1st, 2026

The Beatitudes

Matthew 5:1-12

Word Search

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P I C A R E C A V C M B M V N

Scholarship Application/Renewal

It’s time to apply for/renew scholarship applications for the 2027 spring semester.

All renewal applications are sent via email to the recipients from the previous semester.

New applicants can request an application **starting November 1st** by emailing the church office at OfficeAdmin@stpaulsmassillon.org



DEADLINE to be considered for the scholarship is **December 1st, 2026**. Scholarship recipients will then be voted upon by the Scholarship Committee. Recipients will be notified, and rewards will be sent via postal mail to the address on the application within the month of December.

Christmas Food Baskets

Welfare and Social Committee will collect nonperishable food and miscellaneous items for our Community Meal families for Christmas. The items will be distributed at our Community Meal on Friday, December 11th.

We will begin collecting in October. Please place your donations in the box located at the side entrance of the church. Thank you for your generosity!



If you have questions, please contact Barb Palmer at 330.244.1602.

- Oct. 18th – Tea and coffee
- Oct. 28th – Peanut butter and jelly
- Nov. 1st – Canned soups and pork & beans
- Nov. 8th – Cereal and mixes (cake, brownies, muffins)
- Nov. 15th – Canned fruits & vegetables
- Nov. 22nd – Spaghetti sauce, pasta, instant potatoes
- Nov. 29th – Paper products (paper towels, toilet paper)
- Dec. 6th – Bar soap, toothpaste, toothbrush



Thank you to everyone for the prayers, phone calls, cards and visits during my recovery from surgery. I am so thankful and blessed by you.

LaShell Williamson

Thank you to those serving today:

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Director of Music	Dr. Abigail Haake
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Lector	Scott Larson
Greeters	Judy Fichter
Communion Assistants	Brady Rupp & Sue Reid
Sacristan	Becky Johnson
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GATHERING HYMN Sing With All the Saints In Glory Bulletin Pg 23

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SING WITH ALL THE SAINTS IN GLORY

HYMN TO JOY



1. Sing with all the saints in glo - ry, Sing the res - ur -
2. Oh, what glo - ry, far ex - ceed - ing All that eye has
3. Life e - ter - nal! heav'n re - joic - es: Je - sus lives who
4. Life e - ter - nal! O what won - ders Crowd on faith; what



1. rec - tion song! Death and sor - row, earth's dark sto - ry,
2. yet per - ceived! Ho - liest hearts for a - ges plead - ing,
3. once was dead; Join with all the heav'n - ly voic - es;
4. joy un - known, When, a - mid earth's clos - ing thun - ders,



1. To the form - er days be - long. All a - round the
2. Nev - er that full joy con - ceived. God has prom - ised,
3. Child of God, lift up your head! Pa - tri - archs from
4. Saints shall stand be - fore the throne! Oh, to en - ter



1. clouds are break - ing, Soon the storms of time shall cease; In God's
2. Christ pre - pares it, There on high our wel - come waits; Ev - 'ry
3. dis - tant a - ges, Saints all long - ing for their heav'n, Proph - ets,
4. that bright por - tal, See that glow - ing fir - ma - ment, Know, with



1. like - ness, peo - ple wak - ing, Know the ev - er - last - ing peace.
2. hum - ble spir - it shares it, Christ has passed th'e - ter - nal gates.
3. psalm - ists, seers, and sa - ges, All a - wait the glo - ry giv'n.
4. you, O God im - mor - tal, Je - sus Christ whom you have sent!

Text: 87 87 D; 1 Corinthians 15:20; William J. Irons, 1812–1893; fr. *Psalms and Hymns*, 1873, alt.

Music: Ludwig van Beethoven; adapt. by Edward Hodges, 1796–1867.

Shall We Gather at the River

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- 1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
- 2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
- 3 Ere we reach the shin-ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
- 4 Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv - er, soon our pil-grim-age will cease;



with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?
we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.
soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.

Refrain



Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;



gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899

Music: HANSON PLACE, Robert Lowry

For All the Saints

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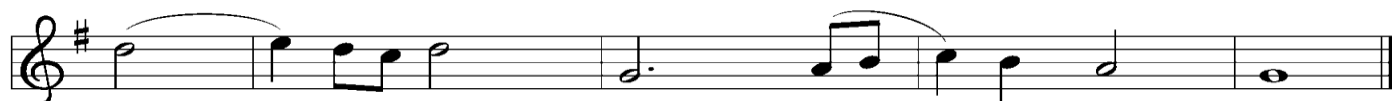
1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who
 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou,
Stanzas 3-5 below.
 6 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day: the
 7 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through



thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
 Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight; ..
 saints tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray; the
 gates of pearl streams in the count - less host, ..



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
 thou, in the dark - ness dread, their one true light.
 King of glo - ry pass - es on his way.
 sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



3 Oh, blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine, we fee - bly strug - gle,
 4 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long, steals on the ear the
 5 The gold - en eve - ning bright - ens in the west; soon, soon to faith - ful



they in glo - ry shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are
 dis - tant tri - umph song, and hearts are brave a - gain and arms are
 ser - vants com - eth rest; . . . sweet is the calm of par - a - dise the



thine. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 strong.
 blest.

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897

Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958

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