Our Savior Lutheran Church
Missouri Synod

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
November 8, 2026

"The Bridegroom Is Coming Soon"

Welcome To Our Worship

We pray God's grace will heal your hurts; His strength will give you courage to face the work before you; His power will prepare your way; and His peace will keep you secure in Christ.

The Prayer

Heavenly Father, I thank You for the precious gift of Your Word. Help me to treasure it and hear it gladly. Curb my wandering thoughts, that with undivided attention I may hear Your voice and sing Your praise. Amen.

As We Gather



The Lord is grieved by the empty worship of His people. Their songs and their offerings mean nothing when their hearts are far from Him, and He will not accept them any longer (Amos 5:21–23). And the day of the Lord will actually catch them off guard and unprepared. Jesus offers the same warning in the parable of the ten virgins, calling His disciples to watch for a bridegroom who will come at an unknown day and hour (Matthew 25:13). Jesus' warning calls us to attention as we reflect on our own position of waiting for His return. His warning is followed by Paul's further description of what our waiting looks like. Since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, our waiting is also filled with hope (1 Thessalonians 4:13–14).

We Enter His Courts With Praise

"God Himself is present. Let us now adore Him,
and with awe appear before Him."

Organ Prelude

Opening Hymn "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" LSB 802



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Divine Service Setting One *LSB 151*

Confession and Absolution

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

C **Amen.**

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.**

(*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*)

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.**

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*** ✠

"Speak, O Lord, your servant listens,
let your Word to me draw near."

Introit *Psalm 84:1, 9–12; antiphon: v. 3*

P Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

P How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!

C **Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of your anointed!**

P For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

C **For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor. No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.**

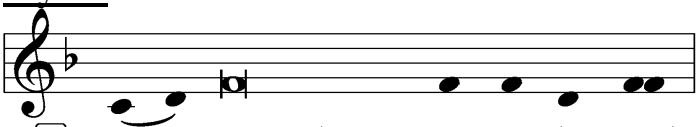
P O LORD of hosts, blessèd is the one who trusts in you!

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Sonand to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

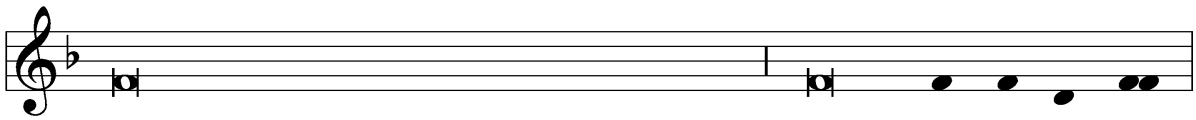
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Kyrie

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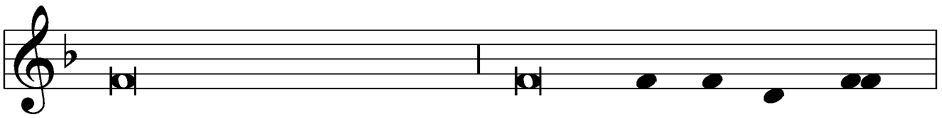




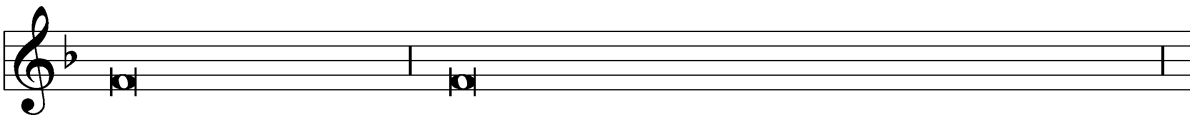


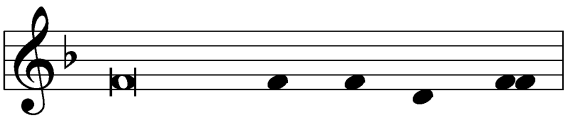




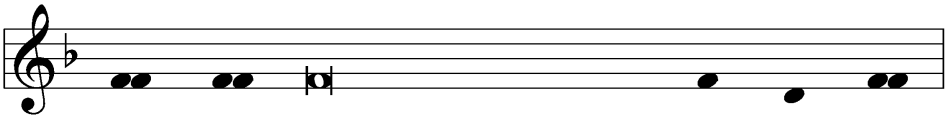












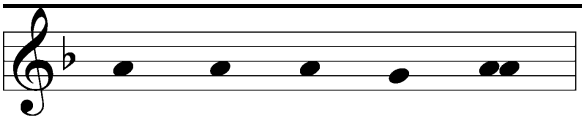


This Is the Feast

LSB 155



Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



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

P Let us pray: Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son to lead home His bride, the Church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C **A - men.**

Old Testament Reading *Amos 5:18–24*

(The day of the Lord will bring justice and righteousness that silences all false and shallow worship.)

[18]Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! Why would you have the day of the LORD? It is darkness, and not light, [19]as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him, or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall, and a serpent bit him. [20]Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? [21]"I hate, I despise your feasts, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. [22]Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the peace offerings of your fattened animals, I will not look upon them. [23]Take away from me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen. [24]But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle *1 Thessalonians 4:13–18*

(We grieve with hope and await the day when Christ will awaken all who are asleep.)

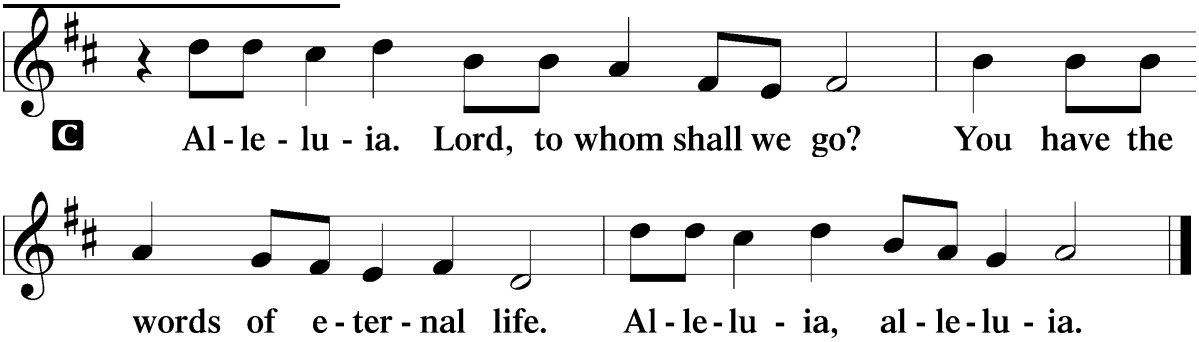
[13]But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. [14]For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those

who have fallen asleep. [15]For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. [16]For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. [17]Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. [18]Therefore encourage one another with these words.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse *LSB 156*



Holy Gospel *Matthew 25:1–13*

(Watch for the Bridegroom, who will return at any moment.)

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



[1][Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. [2]Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. [3]For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, [4]but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. [5]As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. [6]But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' [7]Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. [8]And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' [9]But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' [10]And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. [11]Afterward the other virgins came

also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ [12]But he answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ [13]Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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

Children’s Sermon

Hymn of the Day

"Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying" LSB 516



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Sermon "Ready When You Are" Matthew 25:1–13

Apostles' Creed

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ✢ everlasting. Amen.**

Offering and Registration of Attendance

Prayer of the Church

Each petition ends:

P Lord, in your mercy,

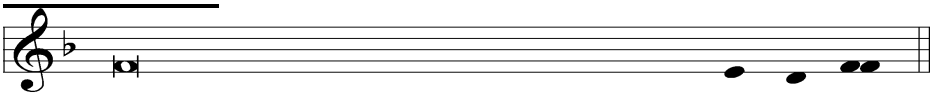
C **Hear our prayer.**

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.**

Closing Prayer

Benediction *LSB 166*



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.



Announcements

Closing Hymn "Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers" LSB 515



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Ringing of the Bells

Postlude

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WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR

- All the families of Our Savior.
- Protection for our armed forces and strength to their families, especially Linnea Elmore.
- Wisdom and guidance for our nation's leaders.
- Wisdom, guidance and protection for our schools.
- Seasonal weather to bless the Lord's earth.
- Missionaries
- Seminarians, including J. T. & Dana Elmore.
- Continued guidance & blessing for Pastor Pase.

OUR HOMEBOUND/SHUT-IN MEMBERS

- Chesley Fletcher
- Harold Hohhertz, Coronado Nursing Home #203
- Lucille Jacobson, Lyndale Memory Care #16.
- Barbara Weeks
- Martha Williams, Lyndale Senior Living, #223
- Mike Welch
- Irma Garrett, Lyndale Senior Living, #208

ONGOING HEALTH CONCERNS

- Brady Brigance (20), who has AMLeukemia.
- Bruce Overbeck, Tom Denslow's cousin, who has Stage 3 Lung Cancer.
- David Tafelmeyer, will receive radiation treatments in Dallas over the next 9 months.
- Jeffrey Carpenter (Alexis Fetsch's father), Cancer, last chemo on 11/5.
- Russell Angeletti, Brian's dad, chemo has begun.
- Kathy Wallace recovering from a stroke at Avir at Haskell, 1504 N 1st St. Haskell, TX 79521.
- Joe & Sandy Jager, former members, he has prostate cancer, she has early dementia and Parkinson's.
- Melinda Reed, Cousin of Cherri Stegemoeller, Stage 3 Breast Cancer.
- Myron Leesman, rare type of Leukemia.
- Gray Kincaid, Irene's uncle, who has a growth in his esophagus that cannot be removed.
- Suzanne Rhodes stomach cancer is gone. They removed 30 lymph nodes and PET scan was completely clear. She will need 4 more rounds of chemo and then she will go once a month for immunotherapy.
- Everett Foster- Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy.
- Patsy Tadlock intense nausea.
- Bowen Burleson- complications after being born 4 months early and making progress.

BLESSINGS

- State Bound: Wylie Band on placing 4th and went to San Antonio. They placed 32nd. They play at the Bands of America in San Antonio this weekend.

ILL OR RECOVERING

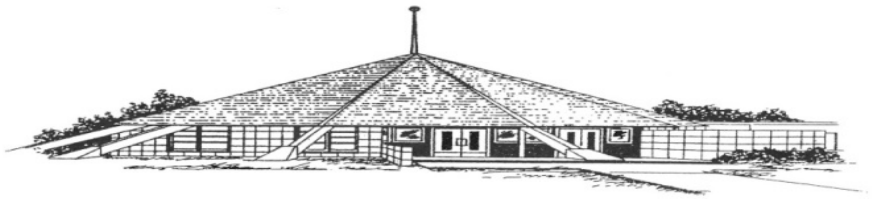
- Jessica (client of Shannon Gannaway) who's cancer was in remission but has come back aggressively. Chelsea (friend of Shannon) who is facing some hard legal situations.
- Shannon Sanders (grandma of Alexis Fetsch's granddaughter Peyton), who had fluid drained from her belly and masses removed. She cannot stop throwing up. She has Stage 3 Ovarian Cancer. She is still in the Ft Worth Hospital.
- Russell Mullins, neighbor of Mark & Jan Koslan who had his heart shocked but is having pulse regulating issues.
- Walt Kionka, Lindie Roberts, Eric Foster, Willa Dean (Mike Martinez's mother), Lupie, Belinda (friends of Shannon Gannaway), Tony (client of Shannon Gannaway), Mitsy Hardman (Danise Weise's mother), Pat Kionka, Alexis Fetsch's Grandmother, (son of a cousin of Ardyce Hill), Cynthia, (sister of Deb Leesman), Larry Earley, Herb (Dana Elmore's dad), Sonya Bartz, Sonya Bartz's dad.
- Judy Manske, Irma Garrett, Amy Turner, Harold Hohhertz, Cherri Stegemoeller, recovering after surgery.

MOURNING

- Family of Mabel Koslan, Mark Koslan's cousin's wife, who passed away 10/15.
- Family of Clayton Arvison (94), Kim Homeyer's Uncle/Godfather who passed 10/14.
- Family of Curt Christiansen, husband of Mark Koslan's cousin, who passed 10/9.

Serving the Lord Today

Presiding Minister ..... Reverend Robert Pase
Music Director..... Janna Atkins
Elder ..... Myron Leesman
Acolyte ..... Ben Brown
Altar Guild..... Mary Donaldson, Jan Koslan
Greeter..... Myron & Deb Leesman
Teller ..... Andy Bradley



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The Altar Flowers

have been provided to the Glory of God by Welch Family in celebration of grandson, Spencer Welch's birthday on 11/9, and by Donna Miller and family in memory of Steve Miller's birthday on Veteran's Day 11/11.

Please read the announcement page for the week's calendar and other important information regarding the ministry of our congregation!