



Weekly Announcements

Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church

For the Week of November 14, 2021

CELEBRATION SUNDAY / STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

Please place your pledge card in the offering plate. We'll add them to those we've already received and offer a blessing. We'll also invite you to fill out Time and Talent sheet.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND YOUTH GROUP TODAY

Sunday school (preschool-5th grade) and youth group will follow worship, running from 10:30 – 11:15 a.m. Masks are required. *No classes next week.*

NO IN-PERSON WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

In order to give our staff a Sunday off, on **Sunday, Nov. 21, there will be no in-person worship.** Instead, we will share a pre-recorded worship from the Minneapolis Area Synod featuring Archbishop Musa Filibus, president of the Lutheran World Federation. This pre-recorded worship will be shared on our Facebook and YouTube accounts during our regular worship time at 9:30 a.m.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS

Do you know a family who could benefit from support for Thanksgiving? Let the office know and we will include them in our basket outreach. Please contribute to this ministry with a special offering. We will use the funds to purchase Cub gift cards for each family. Thank you!

ALL SAINTS ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers for All Saints Sunday were given by Marlys Hegstrom in honor of her sister, Joyce.

AFGHAN REFUGEE SETTLEMENT

We are pleased to announce that we have met both our financial commitment to sponsor an Afghan refugee family and recruited the desired number of core group volunteers who will be working directly with this family. A special word of thanks to all who have contributed financially and/or committed their gift of time to this outreach ministry. Over the next couple weeks this core group of volunteers will be receiving some training from the staff at Lutheran Social Services (LSS). After this training has been completed, we will be eligible to be matched with a refugee family. Watch for additional ways which the broader congregation may be able to help with this effort in the near future.

O COME LET US ADORE HIM

O Come Let Us Adore Him, by Marie Pooler

What: a Christmas story for children and adult choirs, speech choir, narrator.

When: December 19 during the worship service.

Who: children, teens and adults who are vaccinated for the COVID virus and would like to participate in a short Christmas story with mostly familiar music.

If you are interested, please contact Ruth Bills (ruthabills@gmail.com) or the church office.



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A CHANGE IN PRAYER REQUESTS DURING WORSHIP

Please pick up a prayer card when you take a bulletin. Fill out the cards with prayer requests as you prepare for worship. An usher will collect the cards during the gathering hymn. We will include your joys and concerns in our prayers.

THOSE WE ARE PRAYING FOR

- Dave Johnson, recovering from surgery
- Aidan, Brenda Wetzel's nephew, who will receive a bone marrow transplant soon!
- Marilyn, Janell Wampler's sister, recovering from femur surgery and multiple infections
- Joe Prondzinski, Bob and Sandy Bauer's son-in-law, for pain relief and healing
- Kathy Halverson, recovering from surgery
- Ryan, friend of Greta Kutzer, struggling with MS
- Glenn, Brian Wirth's brother, struggling with pain following back surgery
- John Salveson, former Mt. Carmel music director, battling cancer.

To include your prayers on this list, contact the church office. If you would like the pastor to be aware of your prayer concerns but do not want them named publicly, please be sure to note that. Let the office know of any updates or changes.

HOMEBOUND AND LONG-TERM CARE

Ethel Antonson, Marlene Black, Lorraine Carlson, Annette Dahl, Marion Harris, Gerry Johnson, Carol Kwiecien, Jennie Porter, Virginia Schaal and Dorothy Warhol

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

November 15 – Julie Larson

November 16 – Isla Christensen

November 19 – Mary Gursky, Dawn Murska

FELLOWSHIP NOVEMBER

- Good Fruits Bible Study—Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m. at Silverwood Park (Contact Leona Olson, onondave@yahoo.com)
- ONLINE Men's Bible Study—Wednesdays at 6:45 a.m. (Contact Ralph Matthes, marinosdelimpls@gmail.com)
- Racial Justice Book Study Group – Thursday, November 4 at 6:30 p.m. in Fireside Room (contact Barb Hollister, bjhollister@comcast.net)

NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH?

The mini-bus is revved up and ready to take you to church! Call the church office (612-781-2796) by noon Friday to let us know you want a ride.

ALTAR FLOWER SIGN UP

If you would like to place flowers on the altar in honor of or in memory of a loved one there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex by the elevator. The cost of one bouquet is \$27. You may pick up the flowers following the service.

COVID INFORMATION

Masks are required in the building for worship and meetings. We continue to ask that everyone distance from each other.



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Twenty Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 14, 2021

Congregation parts are printed in **bold**.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Befriender Commissioning

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

SILENCE IS KEPT FOR REFLECTION.

C: Have mercy on us, O God. We confess that we have sinned against you and against our neighbor. We have built walls instead of tables and have turned away the stranger. We have sought glory for ourselves and have treasured that which does not satisfy. Help us to love as you love, to welcome those you send, and to treasure mercy and justice. Turn us from our ways to your ways, and free us to serve those in need. Amen.

P: God, who makes all things new, forgives your sins for † Jesus' sake and remembers them no more. Lift up your heads and your hearts. Yours is the kingdom of God.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Son of God Eternal Savior

ELW 655 (1-2,4)

**1 Son of God, eternal Savior, source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us hallows all our human race,
you our head, who, throned in glory, for your own will ever plead:
fill us with your love and pity, heal our wrong, and help our need.**

- 2 As you, Lord, have lived for others, so may we for others live.
Freely have your gifts been granted; freely may your servants give.
Yours the gold and yours the silver, yours the wealth of land and sea;
we but stewards of your bounty held in solemn trust will be.**
- 4 Son of God, eternal Savior, source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us hallows all our human race:
by your praying, by your willing that your people should be one,
grant, oh, grant our hope's fruition: here on earth your will be done.**

GREETING

L: 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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

You Are Holy

ELW 525

**You are holy, you are whole.
You are always ever more than we ever understand.
You are always at hand.
Blessed are you coming near.
Blessed are you coming here
to your church in wine and bread,
raised from soil, raised from dead.
You are holy, you are wholeness, you are present.
Let the cosmos praise you, Lord!
Sing hosanna in the highest!
Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna to our God!**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray: Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING

Daniel 12:1-3

“At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia

ELW p. 142

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

GOSPEL READING

Mark 13: 1-8

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 13th chapter:

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?”

Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

Built on a Rock

ELW 652 (vs. 1-3,5)

- 1 Built on a rock the church shall stand,
even when steeples are falling;
crumbled have spires in ev'ry land,
bells still are chiming and calling—
calling the young and old to rest,
calling the souls of those distressed,
longing for life everlasting.**
- 2 Surely, in temples made with hands
God the Most High is not dwelling—
high in the heav'ns his temple stands,
all earthly temples excelling.
Yet God who dwells in heav'n above
deigns to abide with us in love,
making our bodies his temple.**
- 3 Christ builds a house of living stones:
we are his own habitation;
he fills our hearts, his humble thrones,
granting us life and salvation.
Where two or three will seek his face,
he in their midst will show his grace,
blessings upon them bestowing.**

**5 Through all the passing years, O Lord,
grant that, when church bells are ringing,
many may come to hear your Word,
who here this promise is bringing:
"I know my own, my own know me;
you, not the world, my face shall see;
my peace I leave with you. Amen."**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Eternal God, you hold firm amid the changes of this world. Hear us now as we pray for the church, the world, and everyone in need.

A brief silence.

L: God our guide, you are greater than we can imagine. Surround congregations with your expansive inclusion. Be present in the midst of disagreements, differences, and questions. Unite people of diverse viewpoints in the love of Christ. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: God our constant, you love our universe from beginning to end. As the seasons change, protect animals that migrate and hibernate. Bring them safely to a sheltered place and a more abundant season. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: God our ruler, you write your law on human minds and hearts. Give wisdom to all elected leaders and officials to govern with insight and compassion. Make them mindful of the well-being of all people so that your world will flourish. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: God our stronghold, we pray for those affected by natural disasters. Come to the aid of all survivors of earthquakes, famines, floods, hurricanes, and wildfires, and the first responders who support them. We pray for all who need healing in body, mind, and spirit, especially-----Calm their fear, supply their need, and be the solid ground beneath their feet. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

L: God our beginning and our end, we thank you for the lives of all who rest in your eternal mercy. Assure us of your resurrection promise. Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

L: God our hope and strength, we entrust to you all for whom we pray. Remain with us always, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: **Amen.**

PEACE

OFFERING

(Please bring up your pledges during the special music)

Choir

“He Is the Rock”

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Take My Life, That I May Be

ELW 583

Refrain:

**Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

**1 Take my hands and let them move; at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee. [Refrain]**

**2 Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect and use ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose. [Refrain]**

**3 Take my voice and let me sing always, only for my King;
take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee. [Refrain]**

**4 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne. [Refrain]**

MEAL

- *There is bread on hand on a small plate. You may put a cloth or napkin on top if you like.*
- *There is wine or grape juice ready (or some other beverage if wine or grape juice is not available).*
- *That you have small glasses of some kind to drink from. The wine can either be poured ahead of time or at the time of serving.*

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P: 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, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
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:

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

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P: In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

RECEIVING THE MEAL

L: The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

L: Let us pray: Blessed Jesus, at this table, you have been for us both host and meal. Now send us forth to extend our tables and to share your gifts until that day when all feast together at your heavenly banquet.

C: Amen.

SENDING

FINAL BLESSING

P: God the beginning and the end, who has written your name in the book of life, bless and keep you in grace and peace from this time forth and forevermore.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

ELW 674

- 1** Let us talents and tongues employ,
reaching out with a shout of joy:
bread is broken, the wine is poured,
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Refrain:

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,
pass the Word around: loaves abound!
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pass the Word around: loaves abound!

- 2** Christ is able to make us one,
at the table he sets the tone,
teaching people to live to bless,
love in word and in deed express. [Refrain]

- 3** Jesus calls us in, sends us out
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
gives us love to tell, bread to share:
God (Immanuel) ev'rywhere! [Refrain]

DISMISSAL

L: Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

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Son of God Eternal Savior

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