



Weekly Announcements

Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church

For the Week of November 13, 2022

STEWARDSHIP PLEDGES AND TIME & TALENT DUE

The Stewardship Committee would like to remind all member households to please return the Stewardship Giving Pledge form and Activities and Committee Sign-up form either by mail or in the offering plate by **November 20**. This is so that the Church Council can do the necessary budget planning in December for 2023. If you did not receive these Stewardship materials in the mail, please contact the Church Office to have them mailed to you.

NO YOUTH GROUP NOV. 20

Youth group will not meet next week. Jenni is out of town.

BLESSING OF ADVENT WREATHS – NOV. 27

One of the beloved rituals of Advent involves the use of the Advent wreath, a practice that dates back to 16th Century Germany. The four candles, lit individually each Sunday of Advent, represent the light of Christ who will come into the world at Christmas. Advent invites us to spiritually prepare for the coming of the light – our Lord!

The blessing of Advent Wreaths is a ritual practiced by many Christian churches. Please bring your wreath from last year, or perhaps a family wreath, with you to church on the 27th. During the coffee hour wreaths will be displayed and Karen Moeller will lead a short service of blessing for the wreaths.

** If you did not get materials for a wreath last year, we will have a few kits available on the 27th.

MOUNT CARMEL LIBRARY ROLLS OUT THE BOOK BUS

The Book Bus is revving up in the Fellowship Hall. Also, the Fireside Room offers a comfortable space to select a library item. Both locations feature a variety of books and other items for all ages. For example, the book *Giant Pumpkin Suite* by local children's author and former Mt. Carmel Assistant Pastor, Melanie Heuser Hill. Stop by either location on a Sunday morning, during church office hours or when you are in the building for another activity. Browse, select items, return them to the labeled container, and repeat. Enjoy! If you have questions about the library, contact Myrna Flatland, m-flat@umn.edu, or Janell Wampler, janell.wampler@gmail.com.

LITTLE KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Little Kitchen food shelf is looking for volunteers on Wednesday or Friday mornings between 9:30 a.m.-noon. They are typically staffed with dedicated volunteers, but a couple turned out to be the migrating kind. You will assist customers in filling grocery orders. Help is needed one, two or more mornings (some lifting is required).

For more information contact Myrna at 612-246-7095 or the food shelf director, Lynn, at 612-703-0250.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND YOUTH GROUP TODAY

Sunday school (preschool-5th grade) will follow worship, running from 10:45 – 11:30 a.m. Please return to the Sanctuary for music at 10:45! Youth (6th-12th grade) will meet in the Youth Room downstairs.



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THOSE WE ARE PRAYING FOR

- The family of Marion Harris, who passed away on Friday morning
- Dan, Nancy Nordeen's father, in intensive care with an infection
- Betty, Dave Olson's sister-in-law, undergoing radiation therapy
- Pastor Christine, recovering from additional surgery and hospitalization
- Marilyn, Janell Wampler's sister, continuing to receive wound care and transitioning back to live in her group home

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. Please provide an update to the office every 3 weeks if you want your request to remain on our prayers list.

HOMEBOUND AND LONG-TERM CARE

Ethel Antonson, Marlene Black, Lorraine Carlson, Annette Dahl, Dave Johnson, Gerry Johnson, and Dorothy Warhol

THIRD SUNDAY OFFERING / THANKSGIVING BASKETS

In November our Third Sunday offering will benefit the Thanksgiving basket outreach. Please contribute to this ministry with a special offering. We will use the funds to purchase Cub gift cards for each family. Do you know someone who could benefit from support for Thanksgiving? Let the office know. Thank you!

COFFEE SERVERS NEEDED

Thank you to all who have taken a turn (or two!) to host coffee hour. More volunteers are needed. Sign up to serve is on the wall by the serving windows. Training provided! Treats are in the freezer. Feel free to call either Barb at 612-590-6469 or Karen at 612-619-3743 if you have any questions.

TIDINGS ARTICLES DUE

Please submit your newsletter items by 10:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 15.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

11/15 Julie Larson

11/19 Mary Gursky, Dawn Maruska

REMEMBERING TO GIVE

Please continue to support our congregation with your faithful financial contributions to Mt. Carmel as you are able. There are several ways to give:

- Mail your check to the church or drop off in the secure mailbox.
- Online by credit card or bank account. Visit mountcarmelmpls.org/give or scan the QR code for online giving opportunities.



Your generous support for Mt. Carmel and our ministry is truly appreciated.



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Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

November 13th, 2022

Congregation parts are printed in **bold**.

Please make sure you have the following items on hand and ready for communion:
Bread on a small plate. You may put a cloth or napkin on top if you like.
Wine or grape juice (or some other beverage) and small glasses to drink from.

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Temple Talk

Dave Larson on Stewardship

GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, who redeems us in Christ Jesus, whose steadfast love endures forever.

C: **Amen.**

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Most merciful God,

C: **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✚ Jesus

Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

If You But Trust in God to Guide You

ELW 769 verses 1,3,4

- 1 If you but trust in God to guide you
with gentle hand through all your ways,
you'll find that God is there beside you
when crosses come, in trying days.
Trust then in God's unchanging love;
build on the rock that will not move.**

- 3 The Lord our restless hearts is holding,
in peace and quietness content.
We rest in God's good will unfolding,
what wisdom from on high has sent.
God, who has chosen us by grace,
knows very well the fears we face.**

- 4 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways unswerving,
offer your service faithfully.
Trust heaven's word; though undeserving,
you'll find this promise true to be.
This is our confidence indeed:
God never fails in time of need.**

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

Hallelujah, We Sing Your Praises

ELW 535

[Refrain]:

Hallelujah! We sing your praises,

**all our hearts are filled with gladness.
Hallelujah! We sing your praises,
all our hearts are filled with gladness.**

**1 Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread,
I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hunger. [Refrain]**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING

Malachi 4: 1-2a

L: 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 Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall.

SECOND READING

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

L: Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do

their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

L: Word of God, Word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia

ELW p. 205

Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word. Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred. Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 21:5-19

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 21st chapter.

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

P: When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, '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.'

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

'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.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

'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 kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you

words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

You Are Mine

ELW 581

- 1** "I will come to you in the silence, I will lift you from all your fear.
You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice.
Be still and know I am here."
- 2** "I am hope for all who are hopeless, I am eyes for all who long to see.
In the shadows of the night, I will be your light.
Come and rest in me."

Refrain:

"Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me, I will bring you home;
I love you and you are mine."

- 3** "I am strength for all the despairing, healing for the ones who dwell in shame.
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free,
and all will know my name." [Refrain]
- 4** "I am the Word that leads all to freedom, I am the peace the world cannot give.
I will call your name, embracing all your pain.
Stand up, now walk and live!" [Refrain]

APOSTLES CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: United with your saints across time and place, we pray for our shared world.

A brief silence.

L: Reviving God, keep your church active in its mission and ministry. Encourage bishops, deacons, pastors, and lay leaders to risk boldly in their proclamation and fill them with wisdom and endurance for challenging times. Lord, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Renewing God, as the northern hemisphere prepares for winter, make us mindful of the ordered beauty of your creation. Teach us to treasure cycles of rest and new life. Help us care for what you have made. Lord, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Loving God, accompany all who make sacrifices for the sake of others. Safeguard first responders and active duty military personnel. Grant peace to veterans and heal any wounds in body, mind, or spirit. Lord, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Healing God, your people cry out to you. Sustain doctors, nurses, and hospital personnel in their tireless work. Uphold mental health professionals and those in their care. May the sun of righteousness rise on all who are sick *especially* Lord, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Uniting God, unite this assembly in its shared mission and ministry for the sake of the gospel. Highlight ways we can better work together and give us patience to work through disagreement. Lord, in your mercy,

C: **receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

L: Consoling God, abide with all who grieve for loved ones who have died especially those who knew and loved Marion. Comfort us with the promise of resurrection and new life with you. Lord, in your mercy,

C: **receive our prayer.**

L: Accept these prayers, gracious God, and those known only to you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

PEACE

OFFERTORY

Sanctuary Choir

“Soon and Very Soon”

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am *(Sing 2x)*

ELW 814

C: **Take, oh, take me as I am; summon out what I shall be;
set your seal upon my heart and live in me.**

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).*

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 our 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, ELW p.207
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

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 the prayer 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

P: Come, the table is ready.

Lamb of God

ELW p. 208

**C: O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;
you suffered death our lives to save: have mercy now, we pray.
O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;**

**You set us free from guilt and grave; have mercy now, we pray.
O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;
Eternal peace with God you made; have mercy now, we pray.**

RECEIVING THE MEAL

For those doing the consecrating at home, AT THIS TIME you can now do the distribution words:

P: This is the body of Christ, broken for you.
This is the blood of Christ, shed for you.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

L: Let us pray: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

FINAL BLESSING

P: Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Take My Life That I May Be

ELW 528 verses 1,3,4

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***

- 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***

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

You are invited to remain and enjoy the postlude.

Serving in Worship Today

- Presiding..... Rev. Dave Olson
- Music Director Ruth Bills
- Altar Guild Janell Partyka
- Liturgist Al Erickson
- Lector Sinead Carolan
- Soundboard Tech Myrna Flatland and Paul Lathrop
- Usher..... Rich Feist, Fred Chinquist, Stephenie Labandz
- Mini-Bus Driver Rick Labandz
- Coffee Fellowship Karen Moeller and Barb Hollister

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