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STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2026

PRELUDE: *"Wake, Awake!"* ..... Gustav Adolf Thomas (German, 1842-1870)

WELCOME

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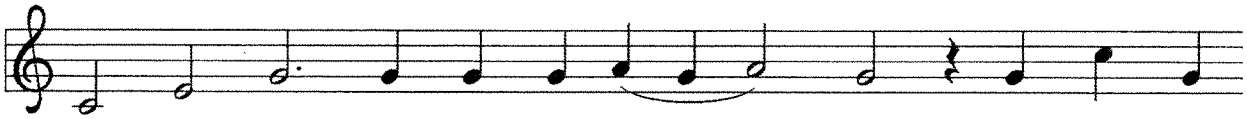
P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and our salvation.
C: Amen.

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, here we are named saints in God's great and diverse family. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.
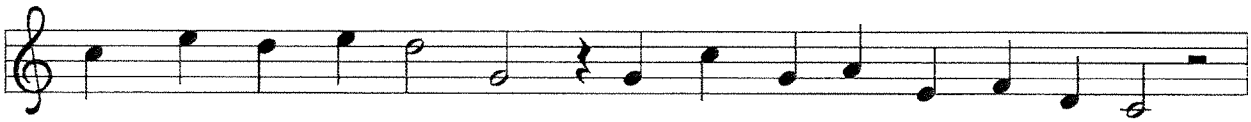
P: We give you thanks, O God,
C: for in the beginning you created us in your image and placed us in a well-watered garden. When we did not know the way, you sent your son, Jesus to lead us to still waters. At the cross, you washed us from Jesus' wounded side, and on this day, you shower us again with the endless water of life.

P: We praise you for your gift of salvation through the waters of love. Wash us in your forgiveness, grace, and mercy.
C: We rejoice that in love, you freely choose to call us your beloved children, and claim us forever as your saints. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ, our living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.
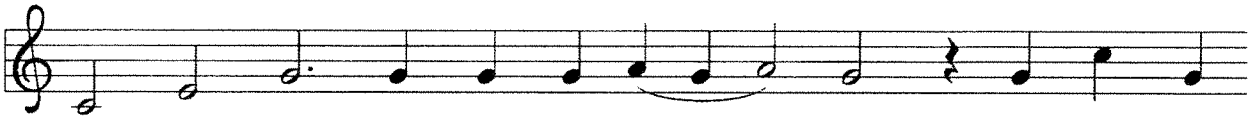
GATHERING HYMN: *"Wake, Awake, For Night is Flying"*.....ELW 436
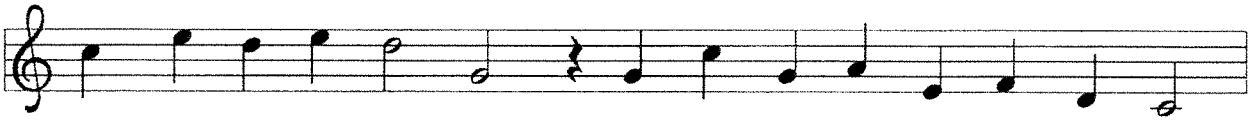


1 Wake, a - wake, for night is fly - ing, the watch-men
2 Zi - on hears the watch-men sing - ing, and all her
3 Glo - ri - a! Let heav'n a - dore you! Let saints and
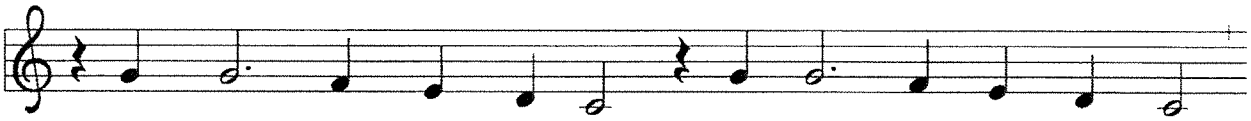


on the heights are cry - ing; a - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, at last.
heart with joy is spring - ing. She wakes, she ris - es from her gloom.
an - gels sing be - fore you, with harp and cym - bal's clear - est tone.



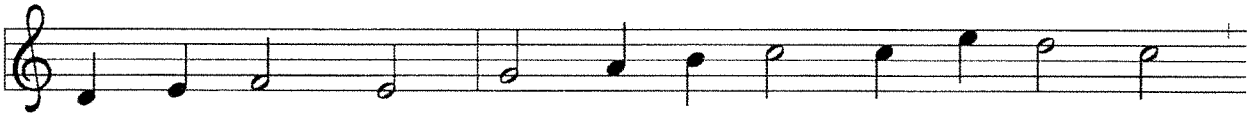
Mid - night hears the wel - come voic - es, and at the
Her dear friend comes down, all glo - rious, the strong in
Gates of pearl, twelve por - tals gleam - ing, lead us to



thrill - ing cry re - joic - es: "Come forth, you maid - ens! Night is past.
grace, in truth vic - to - rious: her star is ris'n; her light is come.
bliss be - yond all dream - ing, with an - gel choirs a - round your throne.



The bride - groom comes! A - wake; your lamps with glad - ness take!"
Now come, O Bless - ed One, Lord Je - sus, God's own Son.
No eye has caught the light, no ear the thun - d'ring might



Al - le - lu - ia! Rise and pre - pare the feast to share;
Sing ho - san - na! Oh, hear the call! Come one, come all,
of such glo - ry. There we will go: what joy we'll know!



go, meet the bride - groom, who draws near.
and fol - low to the ban - quet hall.
There sweet de - light will ev - er flow.

Text: Philipp Nicolai, 1556–1608; tr. composite
Music: WACHET AUF, Philipp Nicolai
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you
C: And also with you

P: Let us pray together:
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.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer for Veterans

P: Almighty and ever-living God,
C: we give you thanks for the men and women who have served and defended our country and the values of freedom and justice we hold so dear. Help us be mindful of the sacrifices they made and the hardship endured by their families and friends, so that we never take for granted the privileges they have secured for us. Hear us, we pray, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

(10:30) **CHOIR ANTHEM:** *"Shout with Joy!*..... Mark Patterson
JAM Choir, Accompanied by Olivia Walker

Anthem Text

Shout with joy to God all the earth.
Sing the glory of God's name.
Shout with joy to God all the earth.
Come join the song,
Sing loud and strong.
Lift up your voice with glorious praise.

Come see the wonders God has made:
The beauty of creation.
Such strength and splendor here displayed:
the moon and stars,
the sky and sea,
the hills that rise,
in majesty.

How awesome are these things.
How marvelous God's mighty deeds

Shout with joy to God all the earth.
Sing the glory of God's name.
Shout with joy to God all the earth.
Come join the song,
Sing loud and strong.
Lift up your voice with glorious praise.
Shout with Joy
Shout with joy
Shout with joy to God all the earth.
Shout with joy!

CHILDREN'S SERMON.....
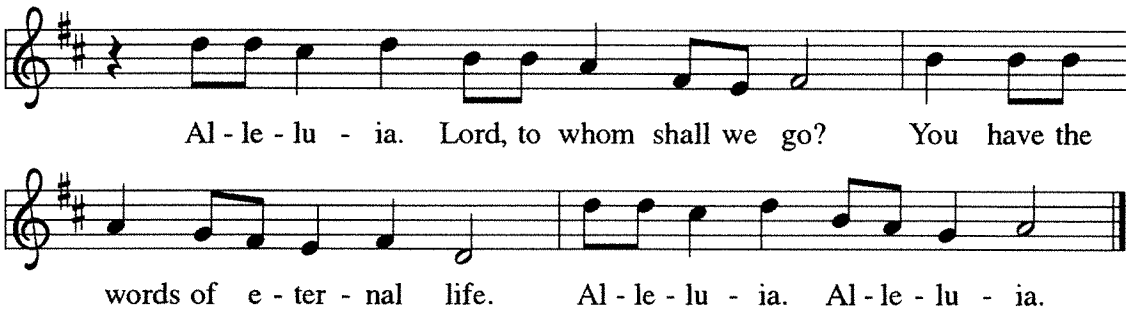
FIRST READING: Proverbs 3:9-10

L: A Reading from Proverbs

9 Honor the LORD with your substance
and with the first fruits of all your produce;
10 then your barns will be filled with plenty,
and your vats will be bursting with wine.

L: The Word of the Lord
C: **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ..... ELW p.142



GOSPEL READING Matthew 25:1-13

P: A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew
C: Glory to you, O Lord

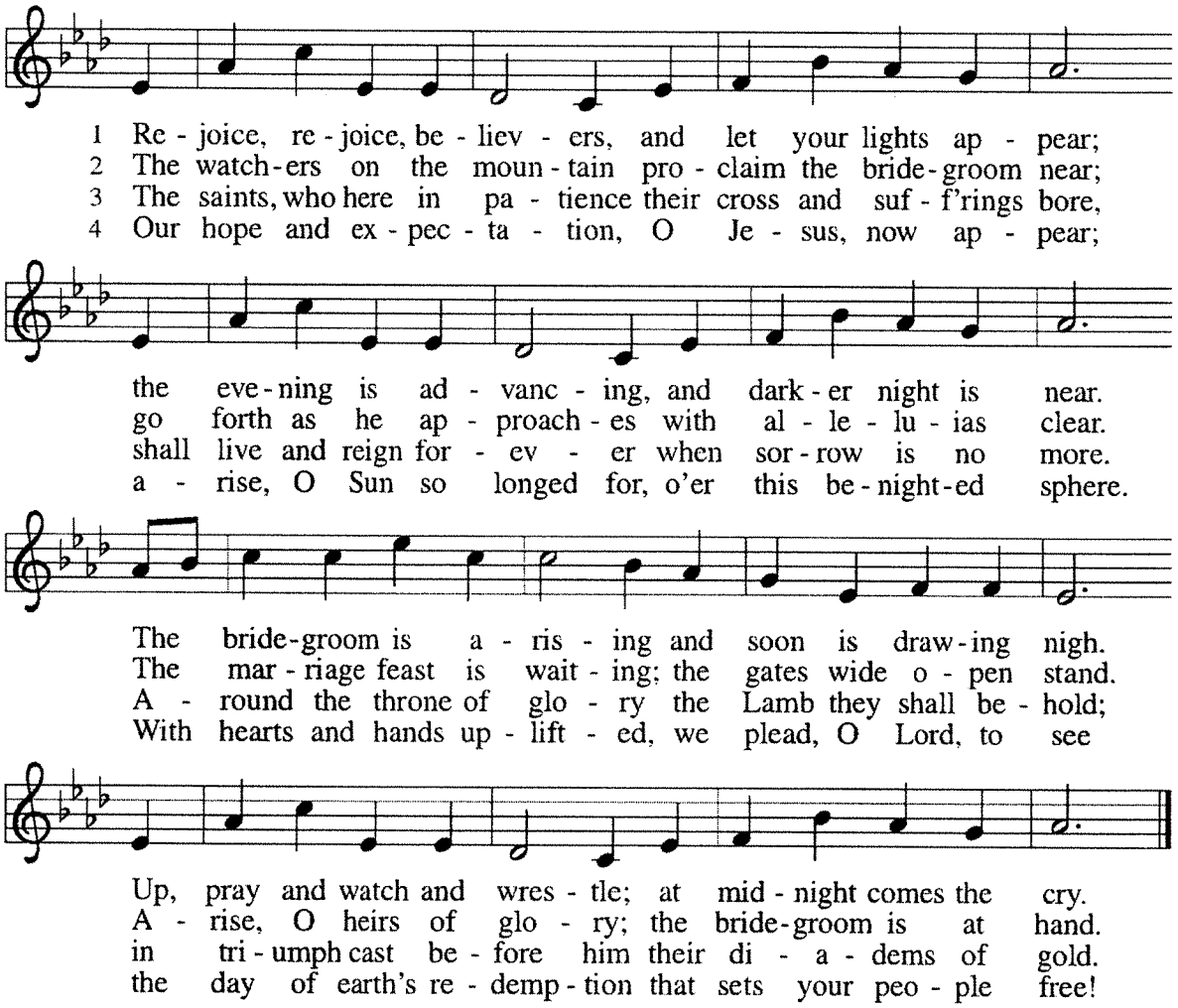
[Jesus said to the disciples:] 1 "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten young
women took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. 2 Five of them were foolish,
and five were wise. 3 When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, 4 but
the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. 5 As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them
became drowsy and slept. 6 But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bride-
groom! Come out to meet him.' 7 Then all those young women got up and trimmed their
lamps. 8 The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going
out.' 9 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.' 10 And while they went to buy it,
the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding ban-
quet, and the door was shut. 11 Later the other young women came also, saying, 'Lord,
lord, open to us.' 12 But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' 13 Keep awake,
therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

P: The Word of the Lord
C: Praise to You, O Christ

STEWARDSHIP FOCUS AND PRESENTATION

HYMN OF THE DAY: *"Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"*.....ELW 244

Please sing stanzas 1, 2 & 4



Text: Laurentius Laurenti, 1660–1722; tr. Sarah B. Findlater, 1823–1907
Music: HAF TRONES LAMPA FÄRDIG, Swedish folk tune

APOSTLES CREED .....ELW p.105

(10:30) Led by 4th grade Sunday School students

Do you believe in God the Father?
I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
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.

OFFERING MUSIC: *"Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"*.....Georg Philipp Teleman
TWV 31:9 (German, 1681-1767)

GIVE WITH YOUR MOBILE DEVICE please scan this QR code
or text "give" to 218-210-7853 and click the link

Pink Envelope Partner for November: For November and our Pink Envelope Partner is The Open Door, Dakota County's largest hunger relief organization, consistently feeding 25,000 people each month. Any donations collected via pink envelopes in November and December will support The Open Door.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PETITION RESPONSE:

L: Hear us O God
C: Your Mercy is Great

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER ..... ELW p.145

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 THE TABLE

P: The invitation is simple: come and eat of the feast. Not a meal to nourish the body, but to feed the soul.

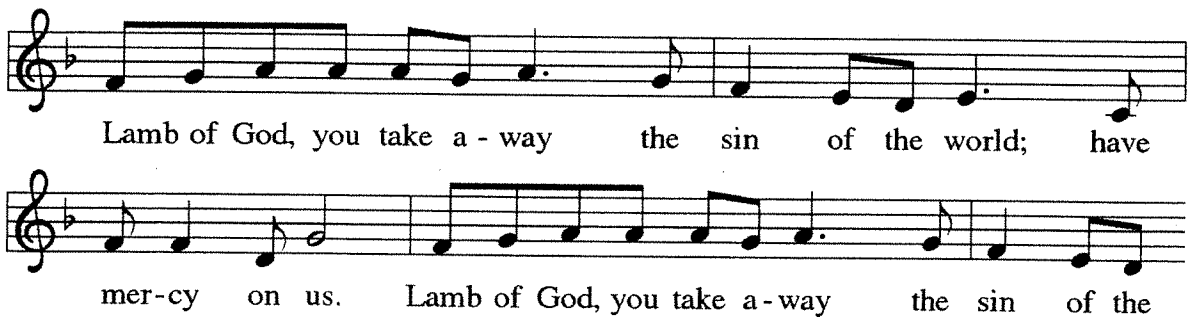
We receive the bread and wine connected to the ages:
to the saint of old who felt unworthy,
to the seeker eager to know God,
to the teenager who wonders what it's all about,
to the child who eats with unburdened faith.

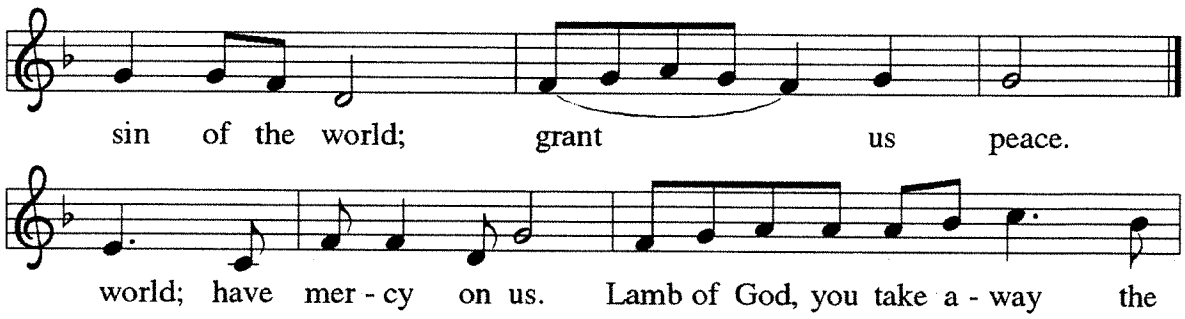
Woven into this time, the hopes and tears of generations.
There is great joy here.
No one is turned away for God is the host!

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

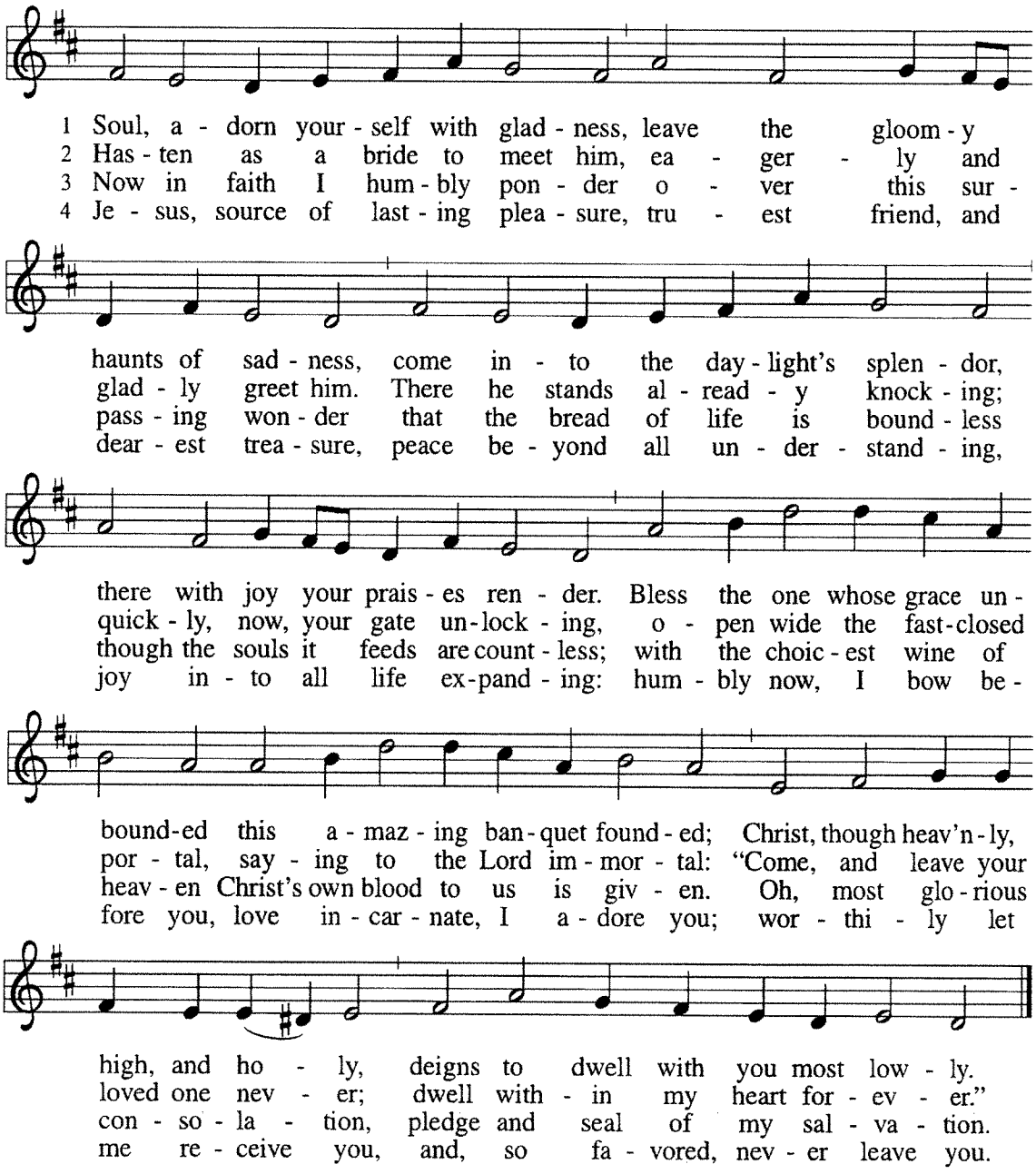
Note about the new communion wafers. *These wafers are prepared with certified gluten-free ingredients using dedicated equipment and ingredients to minimize the risk of gluten cross-contact. While we take steps to reduce the risk of cross-contact with other allergens, some ingredients are manufactured in facilities that also process other allergens. Because of this, we cannot guarantee the complete absence of trace allergens. If you or a family member has a food allergy or other dietary concern, please contact the church office so we can discuss your individual needs.*

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: *"Lamb of God"*..... ELW p. 146





DISTRIBUTION HYMN: *"Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"*..... ELW 488



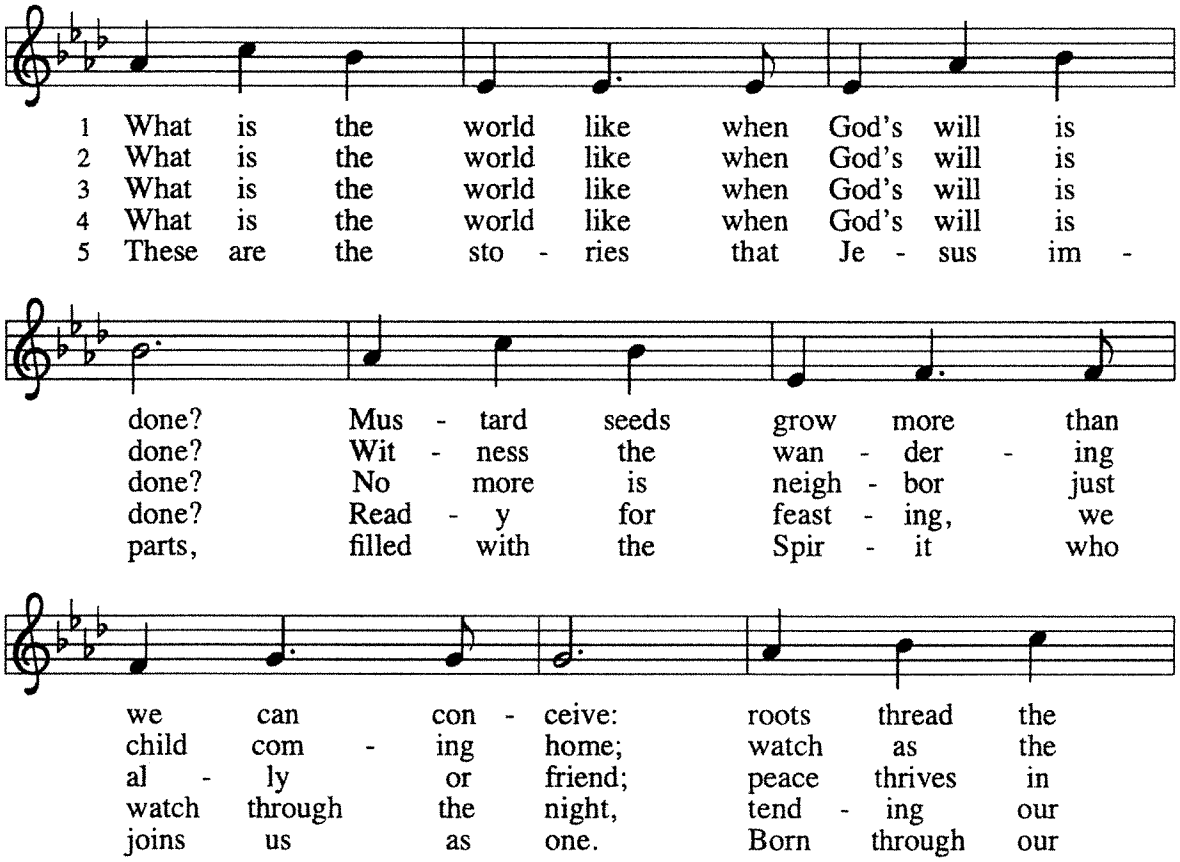
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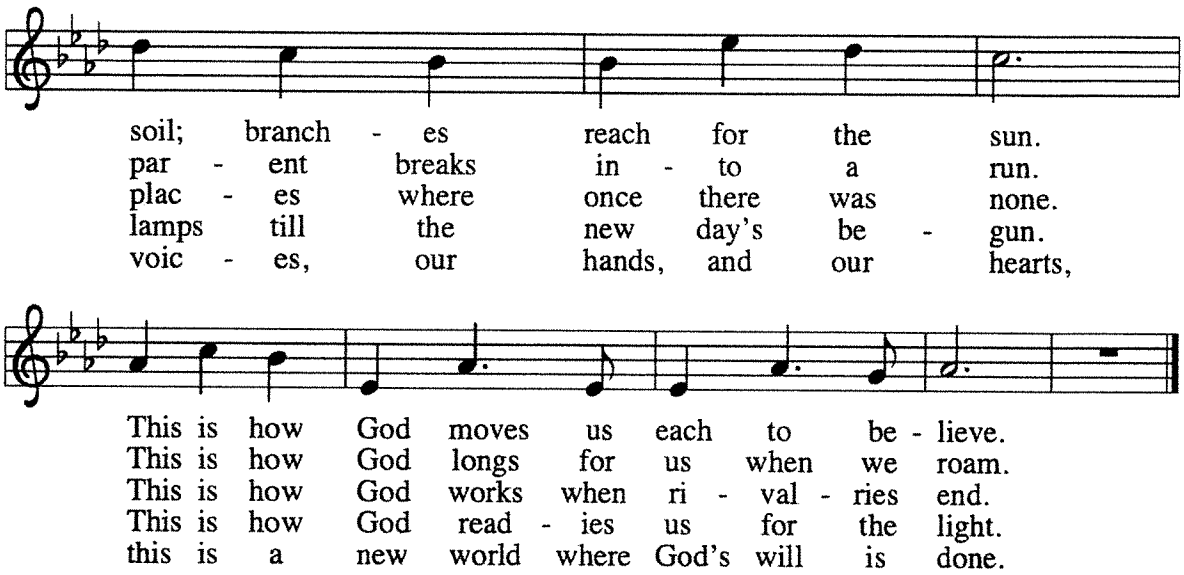
POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Tender, transforming God, you have gathered at this table,
To taste the feast, the same abundant promises offered to our ancestors in faith.
Time and time again you've offered your grace,
Even as we have stepped away,
You continue to call us to be your people.
You have never left us.
We praise you for second, third, and fourth chances.
You are ever-patient, always faithful.

C: We give thanks for this time of celebration.
For the One this meal remembers.
For the life, ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Amen.
BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN: *"What is the World Like"*..... ACS 1047





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Music: NEW WORLD, Sally Ann Morris, b. 1952
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DISMISSAL

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always
C: And also with you

P. We now encourage you to share the Peace of God with others as you leave.

POSTLUDE: *"Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"*.....Georg Philipp Teleman
TWV 31:10 (German, 1681-1767)

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Announcements:

1. **Fall Welcome Lunch: November 15th, 11:45 am**
All prospective new members: as you're getting connected with the rest of the church community, we invite you participate in two upcoming events: to connect with others who are new to St. John's and learn more about the ministry of this community!
Sunday, November 15th - Welcome Lunch
Sunday, November 22nd - Welcome Sunday - where new individuals and families will be named and prayed for at both 8:30 and 10:30 am worship services. **Kindly, RSVP by November 10th.** You can call the church office or scan the QR code.

2. **Restorative Worship - Wednesdays at 6:30 pm**
Join us for Restorative Worship for a time of community, peace, pause, and joy on Wednesdays. This is a 30-minute worship has an intentional, casual feel, providing an alternate option for worship. The abbreviated format, often with tactile elements and a tag-team sermon between our pastors, has become a great opportunity for connection for youth and families participating in Wednesday night ministries, as well as for Sunday morning worshippers looking for a mid-week boost!

3. **Thursday Morning Small Groups:**
Paper Crafters Small Group - 1st Thursdays, 9 am - 2 pm
Quilters Small Group - 2nd & 3rd Thursdays, 9 am - 2 pm
Stitchers Small Group - 4th Thursdays, 9-11 am

4. **Mary Breakfast Bunch Small Group**
Facilitator: Jackie Knauff
Meets: 1st Tuesday of every month at 8:30 am; **Meets next December 1**
Where: Cracker Barrel, Lakeville

5. **Hannah Women's Study Small Group**
Facilitator: Ruth Weber
Meets next December 2. Contact Ruth for details.
Where: St. John's
Topic: A bible study and discussion of the book of Romans led by Pastor Kim, with fellowship and treats. The study group is open to women of all ages and backgrounds.

6. **Dementia Caregivers Support Group**
If you are a family member or caregiver to someone experiencing Alzheimer's disease, join us for this small group, where you'll find an open environment for sharing feelings, thoughts, and experiences to better cope with and manage the shared problems of dementia.
Facilitators: Pastor Kim Kyllo & Colleen Dupree (of Highview Hills)
Meets: Once/month, 10:00am on the 2nd Thursday of the month we **meet next on November 12**
Where: Highview Hills

7. Please review these **sign up links** for worship helpers which have lots of openings for you to choose from. Please review them and sign up for any that work for you. If you have any questions about any of these roles, please contact the church office.

Readers | Worship Coordinators | Clickers

8. **MomCo – You'll Be in Good Company**

Are you a mom (with kids of *any* age) looking for real community? MomCo is a place with no perfect moms, no pressure, no pretending — just connection, encouragement, and genuine friendship. Whether you're navigating toddlers, teens, or simply need a place to breathe, we've saved you a seat.
All moms are welcome to enjoy fellowship and good company.

Meets the second and fourth Sunday of each month from 3–5 PM.
Questions? Email stjohnsmomco1@gmail.com.
Join us — you'll be in Good Company.

9. **Grief Support Event:** In November, St. John's will be hosting a grief support event. Scan the QR code to register. Open to anyone; feel free to invite family members or friends to participate along with you.

Surviving the Holidays Event - Monday, November 23rd, 6:30-8 pm
The holidays can be an especially tender time in grief. Join us to help prepare for a holiday season without your loved one, learn some strategies for navigating the holiday time with grief, and be in community with others who get it. We hope you find support, understanding, and feel less alone.

10. **Muhanga Student Scholarship Giving Opportunities**
As you may be aware, St. John's congregation provides a significant number of student scholarships for our companion congregation in Muhanga Tanzania. With this assistance, many eager children are able to continue their education. These scholarships are vital to the adolescents of Muhanga in helping them reach their full educational potential. If you are interested in providing scholarship assistance, please contact any member of the Church Staff or Global Missions Committee, or simply place your donation in the offering plate in an envelope with both your check & the envelope clearly marked MUHANGA SCHOLARSHIP. A single scholarship for 2027 is $400 and provides for a full year of education. However, any fractional amount is perfectly acceptable and very much appreciated.

11. More Than Just Lunch will be returning to the **History Theatre** for another wonderful performance. Beyond the Rainbow is from the early years of Judy Garland in Minnesota to her musical career starting in 1961. We will be attending it on the **3rd of December at 10:00**. The cost is **$35 which needs to be paid by the 4th of November** to insure our reservation. After the performance we will have lunch at McGovern's Pub. We will meet at church at 8:45.

A note from Ginger Gustafson:
After four years it is time for me to turn the planning over to someone else. As of January, Sandy Johnson will be doing the planning, and, she will be open to suggestions from anyone as time goes by. Thank you to those who have participated.
Thank you Ginger for launching this group and keeping it going from the start.



12. **Save the Date!** Veritas is coming back on **Sunday December 6th!** They will join us in worship on Sunday morning and then will present a **holiday concert at 6pm** in the Sanctuary. ***Veritas*** a nationally known *a Capella* group is coming to share their special sound

with us. This Concert is free and open to the public. A freewill offering will be taken at the concert to help offset the significant cost of hosting such a group. Invite your friends for a fun evening of musical enjoyment.

13. All Saints Catholic Church, Hosanna Church, Mercy Road Church at the Crossroads and St. John's Lutheran Church invite you to the Lakeville Area Thanksgiving Prayer Service on **Tuesday, November 24 at 7:00pm**. The service will be held at Mercy Road Church. Reflection will be led by Father Zachary Ochsenbauer. Family, friends, neighbors and guests are welcome.

14. Save the date for **Thursday, November 19, 6-8pm**
Curious about traveling with St. John's to Tanzania? Come hear about potential itineraries, ministry opportunities, cultural experiences, travel logistics, and costs. Questions are encouraged.

15. **Decorate for Advent** - Join the Worship Arts Ministry (WAM) Team on Sunday, November 22nd at 11:30 am to help decorate the sanctuary (and a bit of the narthex) for Advent and Christmas! The decor will focus on this year's theme "Heaven's Earthly Life" as we explore the season of Advent anew, accompanied by the poetry of Wendell Berry. No sign up - just show up!



Sustain St. John's Expanding, Creative Ministry

It's a good time to be St. John's. We have lots of opportunities for connection, involvement, and community. Whether it's our vibrant Wednesday nights—when all generations gather for a delicious community meal, children and adults make music in choirs, and youth and adults come together in Sunday School Highlights, Ablaze, Affirm and Youth Group—or our Sunday mornings, when the sanctuary fills with long-time members and new visitors eager to hear the Good News of Jesus and put God's love into action, ministry thrives at St. John's.



Submit your pledge card! Let's Burst the Barn today!
There are extra cards on the table in the Narthex
or use this QR code for the online form.

Poinsettia Sale

Order your Gerten's 8" Poinsettia today to decorate the sanctuary this Christmas season!



Choose from red or white. Each plant is $25 and must be paid for at the time of order. **Deadline is Sunday, November 15**! Please plan to pick up your plant no sooner than Christmas Eve after the 6pm service.

Place your order, along with check, in the offering plate or drop off in the church office or mail to St. John's, 20165 Heath Ave, Lakeville MN 55044. You can also order online with the QR code here. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

Online order link

Poinsettias, $25.00. Deadline SUNDAY, November 15	
Name:	Choose Color:
In Honor of:	RED
In Memory of:	WHITE

Those Serving Today:

Organist	Karen Olson
Lector	Dave Coldren (8:30), Jennifer Milbradt (10:30)
Usher Team Leader	Chad Jacobson (8:30) Erin Boerschel (10:30)
Acolyte	Louis Mann (8:30), (10:30)
Crucifer	Elijah Mann (8:30), (10:30)
Communion Set Up & Clean Up	Laurie Barth
Communion Servers	Lynn Coldren, Christie Wright, Jackie Sorensen (8:30) Pam Haukoos, Jeanne Hartwig, Amanda Boe (10:30)
Sound Tech	Randy Franzen (8:30), Sydnee Wright (10:30)
Clicker Team	Nancy Martin (8:30), (10:30)
Livestream Team	Francine Capasso
Worship Coordinator	Paul Johnson (8:30), Jennifer Milbradt (10:30)
Coffee Servers	Jeanne Hartwig

Those Serving Next Week:

Organist	Priscilla Thoreen
Lector	(8:30), Erin Boerschel (10:30)
Usher Team Leaders	Lisa Horn (8:30), Kay Halvorson (10:30)
Communion Set Up & Clean Up	Marce Johnson
Communion Servers	Tricia Murphy, Christie Wright, Barry Fick (8:30) Erin Boerschel, Jenni Tange, Pam Haukoos (10:30)
Sound Tech	Dave Coldren (8:30), Thomas Milbradt (10:30)
Clicker Team	Katie Henning (8:30), (10:30)
Livestream Team	Randy Franzen
Worship Coordinator	Dan Nelson (8:30), (10:30)
Coffee Servers	Boerschel Family

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