

St. Paul's Lutheran Church *Reformation* October 26, 2025

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

You are the treasured people of the LORD,

C a people holy to the LORD our God.

Keep the words of the LORD in your heart; teach them to your children.

C Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

One does not live by bread alone,

C but by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.

GREETING

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.

KYRIE

Refrain



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the

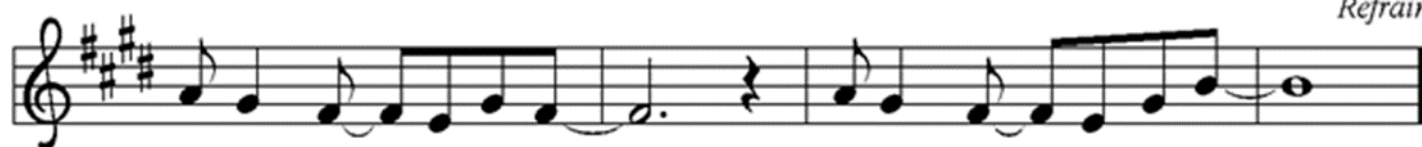


u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

Refrain



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain



This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be



peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

Refrain



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. This is the feast of



vic - t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -



le - lu - ia. 2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the

Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, our righteous judge, daily your mercy surprises us with everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

⁷ Although our iniquities testify against us, act, O LORD, for your name's sake; our rebellions indeed are many, and we have sinned against you. ⁸ O hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble, why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a traveler turning aside for the night? ⁹ Why should you be like someone confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot give help? Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not forsake us! ¹⁰ Thus says the LORD concerning this people: Truly they have loved to wander; they have not restrained their feet; therefore the LORD does not accept them; now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins. ¹⁹ Have you completely rejected Judah? Does your heart loathe Zion? Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing for us? We look for peace but find no good, for a time of healing, but there is terror instead. ²⁰ We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD, the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have sinned against you. ²¹ Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us. ²² Can any idols of the nations bring rain, or can the heavens give

showers? Is it not you, O LORD our God? We set our hope on you, for it is you who do all this.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 84:1-7

(Refrain: Happy are the people whose strength is in you.)

¹ How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts!

C ² My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

³ Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young, by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my king and my God.

C ⁴ Happy are they who dwell in your house! They will always be praising you. (Refrain)

⁵ Happy are the people whose strength is in you, whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

C ⁶ Those who go through the balsam valley will find it a place of springs, for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

⁷ They will climb from height to height, and the God of gods will be seen in Zion. *(Refrain)*

(Refrain: Happy are the people whose strength is in you.)

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

⁶ As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷ I have fought the good fight; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. ⁸ From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

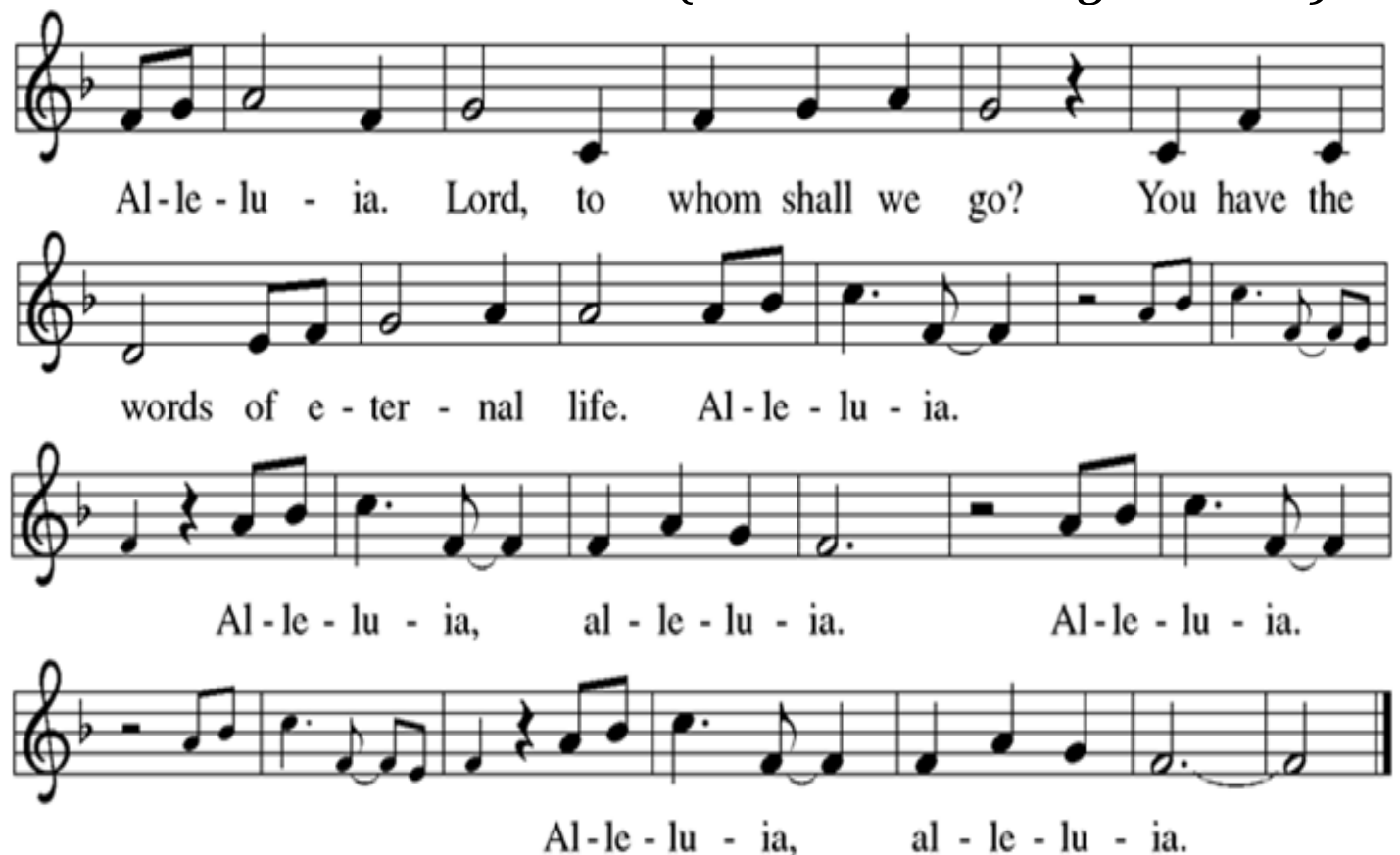
¹⁶ At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them!

¹⁷ But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸ The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(10 measures organ intro)*



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Luke 18:9-14

C Glory to you, O Lord.

⁹ [Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt:¹⁰ “Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ ¹³ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ ¹⁴ I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other, for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON *Terry Seitz*

HYMN OF THE DAY

LBW 229 "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

APOSTLE'S CREED

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 INTERCESSION

Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

Uniting God, you draw your church together as the one body of Christ. Bring congregations into conversation and dialogue so the church is transformed and reformed in your abundant grace.

God of grace,

C receive our prayer.

Sustaining God, you create all the beauty around us. We give you thanks for the harvest of your creation. Restore creation as the seasons change. God of grace,

C receive our prayer.

Governing God, you bring peace and justice through mercy. Guide judges, lawmakers, attorneys, and those in any authority to act with compassion and understanding. God of grace,

C receive our prayer.

Healing God, you comfort those who suffer. Console people whose lives are disrupted by cancer, disease, and illness. Bring your healing mercy to any in need. *(We pray especially for Joe Alles, Zach Andry, Ron Bauer, Karen Bettag, Clint Breitweiser, Martha Buchta, Angie Danzer, Courtney Hagedorn Drew, Juanita Hembree, Brenda, Lana Hoffman, Ann Hopf, Mary Ann Jerger, Carol Keller, Tammy Kieffner, Zach Leinenbach, Larry Lorey, Bob Lottes, Zander Mann, Logan Musgrave, Pat Opel, Tammy Peek, Remington Rainey, Adam Ramsey, Steve Rothgerber, Melody Saylor, Annette Schepers, Glen Schmitt, Kaine Seitz, Larry Sendelweck, Makenzie VanHoy, and all those we name before you either silently or aloud.)* God of grace,
C receive our prayer.

We pray that you guide the military serving to protect us. Grant them safety and wisdom to carry out their assigned duties. *(We pray especially for Austin Breitwieser, Luke Himsel, and Cooper Uebelhor.)* God of grace,
C receive our prayer.

Proclaiming God, you gift the church proclamation through music. We thank you for all music ministers of this congregation. Transform your church through the musical arts. God of grace,
C receive our prayer.

Resurrecting God, you crown your beloved children with righteousness. We thank you for those who have died in faith, fought the good fight, finished the race, and kept the faith. God of grace,
C receive our prayer.

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

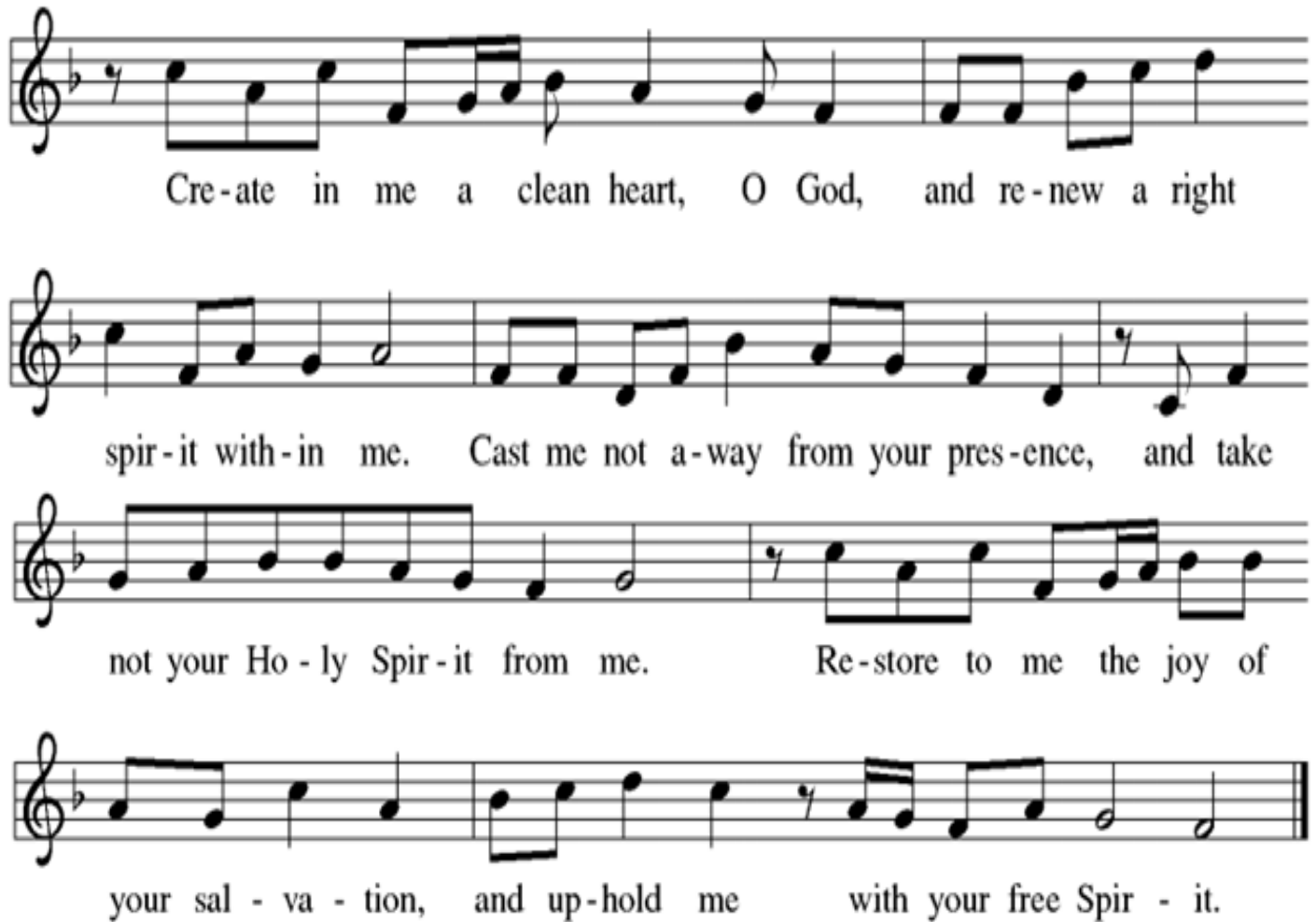
The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY *Handbells “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast”*

OFFERTORY RESPONSE



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.

C Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

THE 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.

BLESSING

The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, ✝ bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

WOV 649 “We Are Marching in the Light of God”

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Mission Statement: *Worship Boldly, Empower for Discipleship,
Cultivate Spiritual Maturity, Strengthen Community, Serve.*

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THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE FOR YOUR SERVICE TODAY:

Greeters: Charlene Rasche & Doris Salmon
Comm. Asst: Keith Keller
Video: Amy Beckman
Organist: Arlene Vonderheide
Lay Reader: Duane Hembree
Audio: Bryan Buchta
Acolytes: Chloe Beck

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 79 SS:

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF Oct 19th – Oct. 26th

Sun. Oct. 26 th	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service <i>(no communion)</i>
Wed. Oct 29 th	6:30 PM	Handbell Practice
	6:30 PM	Confirmation
Sun. Nov. 2 nd	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service <i>(Sunday School following communion- 10:30)</i>

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers on the altar this Sunday are presented in honor of Marvin and Vicky Eisenhower's 59th wedding anniversary!

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In Service to Our Country

Austin Breitwieser
AMC Luke Himsel
Cooper Uebelhor

Redzikowo, Poland
Virginia Beach, VA
Colorado Springs, CO



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The Women of the ELCA will have the shoeboxes available inside the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, October 12th through Sunday, November 16th. *Grab a shoebox or use an empty cardboard shoebox that you have.* Brochures are available with the boxes that give an explanation on how to pack the box.

If you don't want to shop, there will be a donation box available to make a monetary donation. The filled boxes need to be returned to the church by Sunday, November 16th. If you have any questions, please contact any WELCA officer.

WHAT WILL I PACK?



Gift-filled Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes are delivered together with **the Good News of Jesus Christ** as expressions of God's immense love for a child. **So, be sure to make them ...**

FUN: Include a quality "wow" item to delight the child, such as ...

- Soccer ball with pump
- Doll
- Stuffed animal

FULL: To fill empty spaces, add school supplies and personal care items, such as ...

- Pens, pencils, crayons, and notebooks
- Sunglasses
- Flashlights

PERSONALIZED: Make sure every shoebox is unique and covered in prayer.

Include a note of encouragement and photo of you, your family, church, or group to further personalize the gift. These personal letters often are children's favorite shoebox items!

Wondering
if certain items
are OK to pack?
**See our gift
suggestions and
search tool:**



WHERE WILL IT GO?

A donation of \$10 per shoebox is critical to help cover collecting, processing, and shipping costs. Local churches for evangelism and discipleship use our Box and Discover the Love of Jesus Tool.



"Be alike!"

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SUNDAY SCHOOL

OCTOBER 2025

10/5

**PREK-1ST: JESUS CALLS DISCIPLES
2ND-6TH: KING SOLOMON**

10/12

**PREK-1ST: JESUS BLESSES CHILDREN
2ND-6TH: JOSIAH**

10/19

FALL BREAK: NO CLASS

10/26

FALL FUN ACTIVITY: WHOLE GROUP



SUNDAY SCHOOL NOVEMBER 2025

11/2

PREK-1ST: MEMORY WORK + GAMES
2ND-6TH: MEMORY WORK + GAMES

11/9

PREK-1ST: THE PRODIGAL SON
2ND-6TH: ELIJAH

11/16

PREK-1ST: THE PRODIGAL SON
2ND-6TH: ELISHA

11/23

PREK-1ST: THE CHRISTMAS STORY
2ND-6TH: JONAH

11/30

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PRACTICE:
WHOLE GROUP

ST. PAUL'S MEMBERS: WE NEED YOUR HELP AND INFORMATION!



Our church's membership directory is out of date and we need your help in making sure we have the correct information for you and your family!

Options for entering your information (and please do enter, even if you think what we have is correct.):

1. Scan QR code below to take survey
2. Pick up a hard-copy survey and drop it in the box in fellowship hall
3. Visit an Evangelism member with a laptop after service



How to Scan a QR Code

1. Open the camera app on your smartphone.
2. Point the camera steadily at the QR code.
3. A link or notification will appear on your screen.
4. Tap the link to open it.

Deadline to complete: Nov 9

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