

St. Paul's Lutheran Church *Pentecost* 18 October 12, 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

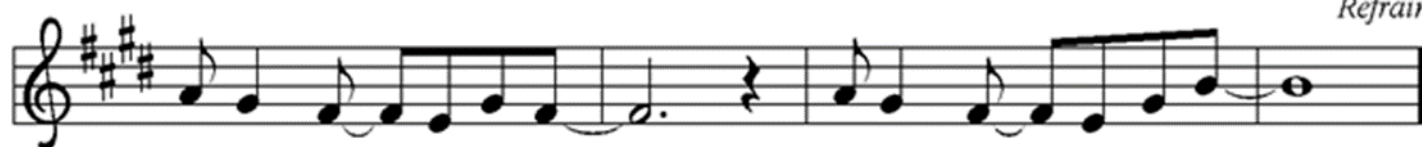


u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



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

Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

FIRST READING: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

¹ Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. ² Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³ She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease." ⁷ When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me." ⁸ But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." ⁹ So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. ¹⁰ Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." ¹¹ But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come

out and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! ¹² Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. ¹³ But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" ¹⁴ So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. ^{15a, b, c} Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 111

(Refrain: I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart.)

¹ Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

C ² Great are your works, O LORD, pondered by all who delight in them. *(Refrain)*

³ Majesty and splendor mark your deeds, and your righteousness endures forever.

C ⁴ You cause your wonders to be remembered; you are gracious and full of compassion.

⁵ You give food to those who fear you, remembering forever your covenant.

C ⁶ You have shown your people the power of your works in giving them the lands of the nations. *(Refrain)*

⁷ The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice; all of your precepts are sure.

C ⁸ They stand fast forever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.

⁹ You sent redemption to your people and commanded your covenant forever; holy and awesome is your name.

C ¹⁰ The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all who practice this have a good understanding. God's praise endures forever. *(Refrain)*

(Refrain: I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart.)

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, ⁹ for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. ¹⁰ Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. ¹¹ The saying is sure:

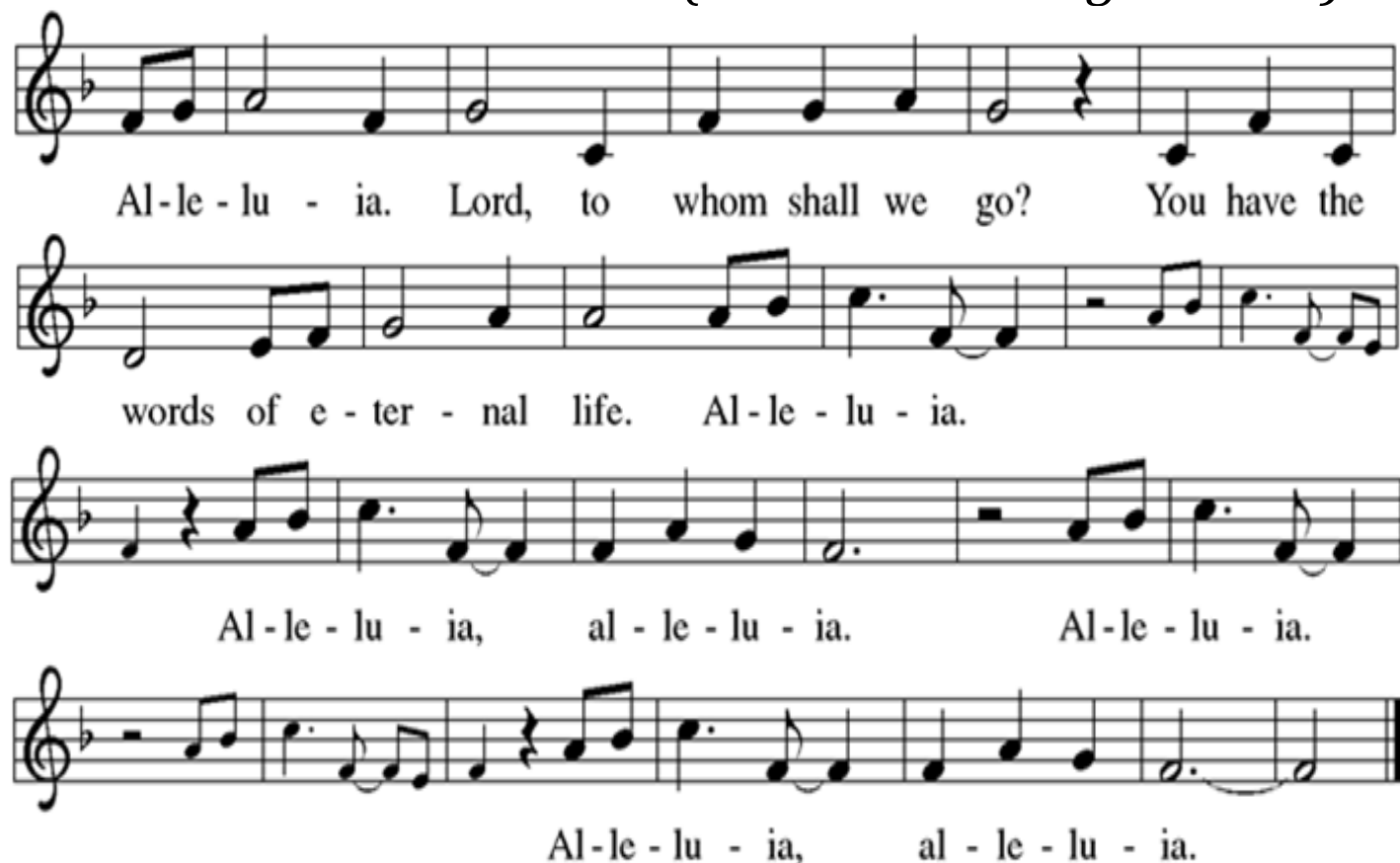
If we have died with him, we will also live with him;
¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him;
if we deny him, he will also deny us;
¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful—
he cannot deny himself.

¹⁴ Remind them of this, and warn them before the Lord that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. ¹⁵ Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

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 17:11-19

C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw

that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? ¹⁸ Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON *Jeff Mann*

HYMN OF THE DAY

LBW 559 "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

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.

Gracious God, you lead your people to faith. Remind the church that your word flows into the world. By your Spirit, teach the church to share the word of God for the sake of the world. God of grace,

C receive our prayer.

Restore clean water to all communities, and guide the work of all who advocate for safe and abundant water supplies. God of grace,

C receive our prayer.

Righteous One, you bring justice and wholeness throughout the world, and your righteousness endures forever. By your spirit, guide leaders of all nations and lands to right relationship with you and with one another. God of grace,

C receive our prayer.

Merciful God, you know the needs of your people. Show mercy to those suffering in the world. Comfort those in need of your healing. *(We pray especially for*

Joe Alles, Zach Andry, Ron Bauer, Judy Beckman, Karen Bettag, Clint Breitweiser, Martha Buchta, Wilma 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 Himself, and Cooper Uebelhor.)* God of grace,
C receive our prayer.

Life-giving God, you free us by your word. Help us, by your Spirit, to be transformed to live your word of freedom honestly and uprightly in our teaching, preaching, and serving. God of grace,

C receive our prayer.

Holy God, thank you for the witness of those who have died in faith. Guide us to trust in the baptismal promise of resurrection in Christ. 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.

OFFERTORY *(Chancel Choir)*

The first staff of music is written on a treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It contains two measures. The first measure has a quarter note on G4, a quarter note on A4, and a quarter note on B4. The second measure has a quarter note on A4, a quarter note on G4, a quarter note on F4, and a quarter note on E4. The staff ends with a double bar line.

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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

LBW 543 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

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: Glenn & Marie Neukam

Comm. Asst: Keith Keller

Video: Geoff Stallwood

Organist: Arlene Vonderheide

Lay Reader: Duane Hembree

Audio: Bryan Buchta

Acolytes: Ryder Freyberger

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 167 SS: 8

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF Oct 12th – Oct. 19th

Sun. Oct. 12 th	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service <i>(no communion)</i>
Tues. Oct. 14 th	6:30 PM	Property Meeting
Wed. Oct 15 th	9:30 AM	Archive Meeting
	6:30 PM	Handbell Practice
	6:30 PM	Confirmation
Sun. Oct. 19 th	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service <i>(no communion)</i> <i>(Sunday School following communion- 10:30)</i>

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today after church, volunteers are needed to load the Lutheran World Relief boxes. We will meet at the east entrance of the church since boxes are in a Sunday room instead of the basement. *-Donna Rasche*

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WELCA BOOK SIGN-UPS

There are sign-up sheets on the welcome center desk for committees for the 2026 year. Committees include flower, visiting, birthday cakes for members 85+, and refreshments for our monthly meetings. Please review the list and faithfully consider one of these projects.

-Darlene Ziegler, President

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Concordia Lutheran Church, 305 Howard Rd, Greenwood IN, hosting its 5th annual gathering of Mission Quilts and Kits for Lutheran World Relief on Friday, October 17, from 10 am to 11:30 am.

For anyone unable to come on that date, the church will accept boxes during the week by appointment. Please call the Ruth Everson (317-530-5761) to arrange a time deliver your donations. If you receive a voice mail, please leave a message and Ruth will get back to you to schedule an appointment. All appointments will be for the morning hours only on Oct 14-16.

From Lutheran World Relief - please bring form with the description of your items and how many boxes you are sending. We are also being asked to print in large letters on each box - LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF - ITEM AND #. If you still want to put your church name and address on them, no problem.

Thank you for all of your contributions that you have put together this year and safe travel to bring them here. Remember to call to make an appointment beforehand.

Co-chairs - Ruth Everson and Becky Lanning

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.

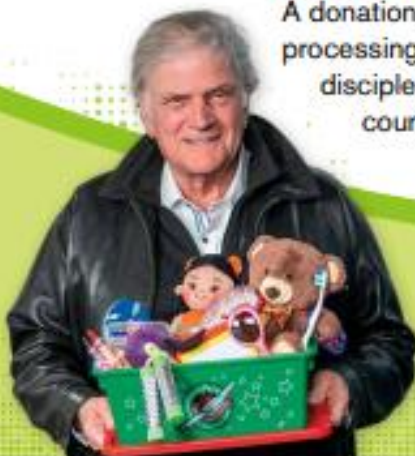
Include a note of encouragement and photo of you, your family, church, or group to further personalize the gift. These personal letters often are children's favorite shoebox items!

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 gifts to equip local churches for evangelism and discipleship. Give online through Follow Your Box and discover the country destination of your gift through our Look-up Tool.



**"Shoebox gifts are like
snowflakes—no two are alike!"**

—Franklin Graham, President, Samaritan's Purse

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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

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



In Service to Our Country

Austin Breitwieser
AMC Luke Himself
Cooper Uebelhor

Redzikowo, Poland
Virginia Beach, VA
Colorado Springs, CO

