**Faith & First**

## Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

## November 17, 2024 ~

**Gathering**

 **Prelude**

 **Welcome & Announcements**

**\* Confession & Forgiveness** WOV pg. 10

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

 ***C: Amen.***

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

 ***C: Amen.***

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

 P: Gracious God,

***C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins, through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

 ***C: Amen.***

***\** Entrance Hymn *“My Lord, What a Morning”*** *WOV #627*

***Refrain: My Lord, what a morning; my Lord, what a morning; oh,***

 ***my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.***

Vs. 1 You'll hear the trumpet sound, to wake the nations underground,
 looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall.

 ***Refrain***

Vs. 2 You’ll hear the sinner cry, to wake the nations underground,
 looking to my God’s right hand, when the stars begin to fall.
 ***Refrain***

Vs. 3 You’ll hear the Christian shout, to wake the nations underground,
 looking to my God’s right hand, when the stars begin to fall.
 ***Refrain***

***Refrain: My Lord, what a morning; my Lord, what a morning; oh,***

 ***my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.***

**\* Greeting** *WOV pg. 28*

P: 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***WOV pg. 28*

 P: Kyrie eleison:

 ***C: Lord, have mercy.***

 P: Christe eleison:

 ***C: Christ, have mercy.***

 P: Kyrie eleison:

 ***C: Lord, have mercy.***

**\* Hymn of Praise** *WOV pg.29*

 Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;

 Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God’s people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

 Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;

 Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God’s people on earth.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

 Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;

 Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God’s people on earth.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone

are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

 Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;

 Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God’s people on earth,

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**\* Prayer of the Day**

 P: Almighty God,

 ***C: 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. Amen.***

**Word**

**First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3**

*The book of Daniel is an example of apocalyptic literature, which is full of strange visions and symbolism. Arising during times of great persecution, apocalyptic literature is concerned with God's revelation about the end time and the coming kingdom of God, when God will vindicate the righteous who have been persecuted.*

1At 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. 2Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. 3Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.

**Psalm 16**

1Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

**2All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble**

**among the people.**

3But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

**4I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,** **never take their names upon my lips. My heart is glad and my spirit rejoices; my body shall rest in hope.**

5O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

**6My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**

7I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

**8I have set the LORD always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken. My heart is glad and my spirit rejoices; my body shall rest in hope.**

9My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

**10For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.**

11You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

**My heart is glad and my spirit rejoices; my body shall rest in hope.**

**SECOND READING**: **Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25**

*Images of worship and sacrifice are used throughout Hebrews to highlight what Christ has uniquely accomplished through his death. Because we have received forgiveness through Christ's death, we live with sincere hearts by trusting in God's promises and encouraging love and good works from each other.*

11Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. 12But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," 13and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." 14For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

[15And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, 16"This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts,

and I will write them on their minds," 17he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." 18Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.] 19Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, 20by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), 21and since we have a great priest over the house of God, 22let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. 23Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. 24And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, 25not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

**\* Gospel Acclamation** *WOV pg. 31*

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

**GOSPEL**: **Mark 13:1-8**

*In the last week of his life, Jesus warned his disciples concerning trials that were to come upon them and upon the world. He exhorts the listener: Do not be alarmed.*

1As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" 2Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

3When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 4Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished? 5Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. 6Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. 7When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. 8For 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."

**Sermon**

 **Hymn of the Day “We Praise You O God”** LBW #241ELW #870

Vs. 1 We praise you, O God, our redeemer, creator;
 in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
 We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you;
 we bless your holy name; glad praises we sing.

Vs. 2 We worship you, God of our fathers and mothers;
 through trial and tempest our guide you have been.
 When perils o'ertake us, you will not forsake us,
 and with your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.

Vs. 3 With voices united our praises we offer
 and gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.

 With you, Lord, beside us, your strong arm will guide us.
 To you, our great redeemer, forever be praise!

\* **Apostles’ Creed** *WOV pg. 33* 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 into hell.

 On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,

 and 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.

**\* The Prayers**

  ***Lord, listen to your children praying,*** *WOV #775*

***Lord, send your Spirit in this place;***

***Lord, listen to your children praying,***

***Send us love, send us pow’r, send us grace.***

Rooted in God’s abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church and all of creation.

O God, in the washing of water you set us free from the power of sin and death. Unite all the baptized in the covenant you have made with us, as we strive for your justice and peace in all the earth. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

By your merciful might you sustain all creation. Stir us from complacency with the harm we inflict on the earth, and urge us to adopt sustainable ways of life that protect and restore our planet. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

With a selfless power you protect all who take refuge in you. As nations rise against nations, defend all who are displaced or affected by war or violence. Empower all people and nations to pursue peace. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

In your presence you give fullness of joy. Care for all for whom joy feels distant. Be present with persons experiencing depression, anxiety, addiction or any mental illness especially

Bring them healing or wholeness. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Through the years you have gathered your church and this community for worship, fellowship, formation and service. Enable us to look beyond the walls of our building to perceive where you are calling us forward. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

With thanksgiving we remember all saints and angels who delight in your everlasting presence. As their lives inspire ours, provoke us always to love, holding fast to the confession of our hope in you. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

***Lord, listen to your children praying,***

***Lord, send your Spirit in this place;***

***Lord, listen to your children praying,***

***Send us love, send us pow’r, send us grace.***

**Meal**

 **Peace**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

 ***C: And also with you.***

**\* Offering *“Let the vineyards”*** *WOV pg. 35*

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of

 blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,

 that we may be fed with the bread of life.

 Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we

 offer now. Grace our table with your presence, Lord,

 and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

**\* Offering Prayer**

P: Merciful God,

***C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given to us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

**\* Great Thanksgiving** *WOV pg. 36*P: The Lord be with you.

 ***C: And also with you.***

 P: Lift up your hearts.

 ***C: We lift them to the Lord.***

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

 ***C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

**\* Words of Institution** *WOV pg. 36*

 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 for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

***C: Amen.***

**\* Lord’s Prayer** *WOV pg. 39*

***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.***

 **Communion Distribution**

**\*Communion Blessing**

 P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep

 you in his grace.

 ***C: Amen.***

**\* Canticle** *WOV Pg. 40*

Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell every-

one what God has done. Let all who seek the

Lord rejoice and bear Christ’s holy name.

Send us with your promises, O God,

and lead us forth in joy with shouts

Of thanksgiving. Alleluia.

**\* Prayer** WOV Pg. 41

P:Let us pray. Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

***C: Amen.***

 **Sending**

**\* Blessing** WOV Pg. 41

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

 **C: Amen.**

**\* Sending Hymn *“Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises”*** *WOV #722*

 ***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.***

 Vs. 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***

 Vs. 2 Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,

 strong in faith, free of doubt. tell to all the joyful Gospel. ***Refrain***

**\* Dismissal**

 L: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

 ***C: We will! Thanks be to God!***

 **Postlude**