

Let them give thanks
to the Lord for His unfailing love
and His wonderful deeds for men,
for He satisfies the thirsty and
fills the hungry with good things."

# **AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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**Ethan Fearing, Pastor** 

✦ Please stand as you are able.

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We prepare for worship.

Greetings and the Sharing of God's Peace

→ Confession and Forgiveness

PASTOR: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

PASTOR: Almighty God, we have so much for which we can be thankful. It's a shame we only dedicate this one day to gratitude, but even now, we fail to reflect on the true bounty of our blessings.

ALL: We take our lives for granted.

PASTOR: Do we honor the good gifts the LORD God has given us?

ALL: Not usually, no.

PASTOR: But this is an opportunity for change. We have gathered for thanksgiving, so let's pause. Let's reflect. Let's see the perfect goodness God is working in our lives despite the chaos and ruin of the world around us. How is God blessing you today, and what has He done for your yesterday and tomorrow?

Silence for personal reflection.

PASTOR: Most merciful God...

ALL: ...You came in person to give us the greatest gifts. As Jesus Christ, You lived, suffered, died, and rose again. That miracle forgives sins, delivering Your people from eternal death, giving them a new and eternal life.

Announcement of forgiveness.

Prayer of the Day

ALL: Heavenly Father, we thank You tonight for every good thing. We count our blessings, knowing some have been overlooked. Help us to see, to know, and to cherish, to truly give

You thanks for this life and every opportunity it offers. Guide us by Your Spirit, so we would live in gratitude, and show us how we might best share our gifts with those who need them. We pray all of this in the holy name of Jesus Christ. Amen!

□ Opening Song "Praise and Thanksgiving"

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First Reading

1 Chronicles 16:34-35

Psalm 95:1-3, 6-7a

READER: 1 Come, let us sing to the LORD!

Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation.

ALL: 2 Let us come to Him with thanksgiving.

Let us sing psalms of praise to Him.

READER: 3 For the LORD is a great God,

a great King above all gods.

ALL: 6 Come, let us worship and bow down.

Let us kneel before the LORD our maker,

7a for He is our God.

READER: We are the people He watches over.

**Second Reading** 

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

★ The Gospel, God's Good News

Matthew 9:35-38

The Nicene Creed

ALL: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of Heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through Him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation He came down from Heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit He became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in

accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His Kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified. He spoke through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sermon "Are You With the One?"

☐ Our Offering of Worship "Give Thanks"

ALL: Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One; give thanks, because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

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Prayers of the People

PASTOR: LORD, in Your mercy...

ALL: ...hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

ALL: 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.

Benediction

A word of blessing.

□ Closing Song "We Praise You, O God"

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Postlude Music

We depart in peace, ready to serve the LORD!

### The Mission Statement of American Lutheran Church

Led by the Holy Spirit and strengthened by the Gospel of Jesus Christ, we seek to make the Kingdom of God real and present in our world through ongoing worship, witness, and service.

# **WELCOME TO WORSHIP!**

Visitors are welcome to sign our guest book in the narthex gathering area. If you are looking for a church home, please contact Pastor Ethan or talk to one of the ushers about our American Lutheran Church family!

Our current prayer list includes Joe Ayers, Deb Adamek, Everett Bullert, Elaine Clementson, Bob Fox, Lisa Guse, Larry Hatton, Mike Holden, Stephanie James, Kay Larson, Karen Ness, Rose Thorp, nephew Dave, niece Joni, and the family of Marlys Poegel.

**Please consider** signing up to serve as an usher or greeter. Sign-up sheets are on the wall in the back of the sanctuary.

### Bible Readings for Next Week: November 27, 2022

Proverbs 4:23 Romans 7:15-17 Psalm 1:1, 4, 9-10 John 3:1-6, 16-17

Sermon Title: "The Flesh, Our Enemy's Defensive Tactic"

## **Worship Leaders**

Pastor: Ethan Fearing Pianist: Alyssa Fearing

Altar Guild: Betty Oliver Deacon: Jon Fevig

# **CHURCH OUTREACH**

Missionaries: Dan and Nancy Butkowski; Dwight and Dorothy Hazard; Chris Mikkelson.

**Prayer Partners** is our confidential chain of prayer. To request a prayer, send an e-mail to prayer@americanlutheranchurch.org. If you would like your name added or removed from the Prayer Partners' e-mail list, contact Patty Ostendorf or Becky Hillig.

Our Mission Focus for November is Dan & Nancy Butkowski with CRU.

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# QUEST KIDS 2022 FALL CALENDAR

# **SEPTEMBER**

September 14 - Quest Kick Off Carnival! @ 6:00 PM

September 21 - Quest Kids @ 6:00 PM

September 28 - Quest Kids @ 6:00 PM

## **OCTOBER**

October 05 - Quest Kids Family Night
Pumpkin Painting/Carving! @ 6:00 PM

October 12 - Quest Kids @ 6:00 PM

October 19 - NO QUEST - MEA Weekend

October 26 - Quest Kids @ 6:00 PM

October 31 - Trunk Or Treat! 5:00-6:30 PM

## **NOVEMBER**

November 02 - Quest Kids Family Night

Thanksgiving Dinner @ 6:00 PM

November 09 - Quest Kids @ 6:00 PM

November 16 - Quest Kids @ 6:00 PM

November 23 - No Quest - Happy Thanksgiving!

November 30 - Quest Kids @ 6:00 PM

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Questions?
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### AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

## **Weekly Schedule at American Lutheran Church**

Wed. Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> 6:00 pm Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service 7:00 pm Choir Practice

Thu. Nov. 24th Office Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

Sun. Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> 8:20 am Choir Rehearsal 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am Prayer at Altar after Service 10:15 am Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Advent Festival with Potluck

Sunday worship services are radio broadcast on KEYL 1400 AM and 103.1 FM, live-streamed on Facebook, and posted with video recordings of services later on our website.