



*Ye are...
fellowcitizens
with the saints*

Ephesians 2:19

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✦ Please stand as you are able. WOV: *With One Voice*, the blue hymn book.
LBW: *Lutheran Book of Worship*, the green hymn book.

Prelude Music

We prepare our hearts for worship.

Welcome and the Sharing of God's Peace

✦ Confession and Forgiveness

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

ALL: Amen.

PASTOR: Almighty God, to Whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

PASTOR: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for personal reflection.

PASTOR: Most merciful God...

ALL: ...we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart: we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.

Announcement of forgiveness.

♪ Opening Hymn "Rise Up, O Saints of God"

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PASTOR: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

ALL: And also with you.

♪ The Kyrie, a Prayer for Mercy

PASTOR: In peace, let us pray to the LORD.

ALL: LORD, have mercy.

PASTOR: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the LORD.

ALL: LORD, have mercy.

PASTOR: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the LORD.

ALL: LORD, have mercy.

PASTOR: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the LORD.

ALL: LORD, have mercy.

PASTOR: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious LORD.

ALL: Amen!

♪ Hymn of Praise

PASTOR: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth!

ALL: LORD God, heavenly King, Almighty God and Father: We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. 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. 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.

♪ A Hopeful Blessing

PASTOR: The LORD be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

**ALL: We give You thanks, LORD God,
for all the saints who ever worshiped You –
whether in forest clearings or towering cathedrals,
weathered wooden churches
or crumbling clay meeting houses –
wherever Your name was lifted and adored!
They left their mark on this world for You,
for us, and for our children to come.
Thank You, Christ Jesus, for encouraging them to sacrifice,
to share Your perfect love by following Your example.
Bless our memories of these saints, O LORD.
May we learn to walk wisely from their faith,
dedication, worship, and compassion! Amen.**

First Reading

Isaiah 25:6-9

Psalm 85:7-11, 13

READER: ⁷ Show us Your unfailing love, O LORD;
save us now and forever!

**ALL: ⁸ We listen carefully to God,
to what the LORD is saying.**

We know that He speaks peace to His faithful people.

READER: But we must not return to our former ways,
to our foolish ways.

**ALL: ⁹ God's salvation is near to those who respect Him.
It's true – we will be filled with His glory!**

READER: ¹⁰ Unfailing love and truth have met together.
Righteousness and peace have kissed!

**ALL: ¹¹ Truth springs up from the earth,
and righteousness smiles down from Heaven.**

READER: ¹³ Righteousness walks ahead of God like a herald.
Good and right living sings,
preparing a path for His arrival!

Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-5

✦  Reading Response

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

 The Gospel, God's Good News

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PASTOR: This is the holy gospel of Luke, the twenty-third chapter.

ALL: Glory to You, O LORD!

Luke 23:32-33, 39-43

PASTOR: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to You, O Christ!

Children's Sermon

Sermon "Unexpected Saints"

✦ The Apostles Creed

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ALL: 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 Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

 Offering Hymn "For All Your Saints, O Lord"

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✦ ♪ The Offering Response

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ALL: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence, and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with Your free Spirit.

The Words of Institution

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♪ Communion Hymns

“I Come, O Savior, to Your Table” #213 LBW

“Rise, O Children of Salvation” #182 LBW

Prayers of the People

PASTOR: LORD, in Your mercy...

ALL: ...hear our prayer.

A Moment of Silence Honoring the Saints

† Virginia Bruder

† Lee Fearing, *husband of Deb Fearing and parent to Pastor Ethan & Alyssa Fearing and Aaron & Jamie Fearing*

† Bob Fox

† Alisha Hanson, *wife of Donovan Hanson and mother to Everett, Ethan, and Emilia*

† Rhonda Mathiason

† John Monson, *husband to Helen Monson, parent to Stacy Cavallero, and grandparent to Hunter, Averie, and Keegan*

† Donna Schneekloth

† Sharon Wieggers, *sister of Linda Guse and Theresa Wieggers*

† RoseAnn Zinter, *wife of Bob Zinter*

The Lord's Prayer

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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 Hymn “Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand” #351 LBW

Postlude

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!

Today's KEYL Radio Broadcast of our worship service is sponsored by LaMoine and Linda Hatton in memory of Erica Shea Hatton. Thank you for ensuring God's Word can reach people over the airwaves!

If you would like to sponsor a broadcast, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. The cost is \$75. Thank you!

Bible Readings for Next Week: November 10, 2024

Proverbs 27:9 Colossians 3:13-15a

Psalms 15:1-4 Luke 5:17-26

Sermon Title: "Faithful Friends"

Worship Leaders

Pastor: Ethan Fearing

Altar Guild: Betty Oliver

Deacon: Betty Oliver

Organist: Mason Ellingson

Acolyte: Madison Parker

Reader: Dave Atkinson



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today is All Saints Sunday. In our worship service we will be remembering immediate family members who have died since November 1st, 2023.

Attention all Veterans: We will be honoring our veterans on Sunday November 10th. All veterans are encouraged to wear their uniforms to worship that day. Veterans Day is Monday, November 11th.

All are welcome to attend the Family Night Thanksgiving Dinner “Carnival of Thanks” which will be held Wednesday, November 6th from 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm. To reserve a meal time, please sign up on the reservation sheet in the narthex or call Lori at the church office. This is a Youth & Family sponsored event in partnership with Operation Christmas Child shoebox program and all are encouraged to participate.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service will be on Wednesday, November 27th at 6:00 p.m. If you would like to be a part of a Praise and Worship Team for the Thanksgiving Eve worship service, please sign up on the easel in the narthex or contact Alyssa.

Dear Congregation, “For God is working in you, giving you the DESIRE and the POWER to DO what pleases Him.” *Philippians 2:13* Please, personally, consider this promise from God's Word, if you are contacted by a member of the nominating committee for serving on a board or committee in 2025. **THANK YOU!**

New Devotional now available for free – “Daily Devotional – The Word for you Today” for months September – November. Pick up your copy from the rear of the sanctuary or from the narthex.

The September - November copies of Our Daily Bread are at the rear of the sanctuary and in the narthex.



CARNIVAL

OF THANKS

November 6, 2024

American Lutheran Church

turkey & ham dinner served by our youth

5:30 - 7:30 pm

**kids carnival games - fill a shoebox for tickets to play
games or face painting**

5:30 - 7 pm

reserve your table - sign up sheet in the narthex or call

Lori at 320-732-2932

free will donation goes towards shipping shoeboxes



SAVE THE DATE

We love to sing at American Lutheran Church!

Sunday School children are invited to sing songs during the 9:00am service. We will practice at 8:15am in the choir room.

Thanksgiving Singing

November 24th

9am Worship Service

Christmas Program Practice

December 1st

10:15am Sunday School

December 8th

10:15am Sunday School

Christmas Program Service

December 15th

9am Worship Service



Questions?

Call Alyssa Fearing 320-304-3691

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.

Weekly Report:

Worship Attendance for last week: 170

General Fund receipts for September: \$24,015.64

General Fund budgeted monthly needs: \$20,236.62

As of October 20th, our 2024 YTD General Budget receipts were \$37,031.69 behind our YTD General Budget needs.

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PRAYER LIST

Our current prayer list includes Deb Adamek, Larry Adamek, Joe Ayers, Bernette Burgeson, Jodi Eckel, Karin Fearing, Blain Hall, Larry Hatton, Stephanie James, Jan Jorgensen, Donna Lardy, Karl Lawin, Joni Love, Aubrey Olson, Mark Pachan, Joan Pesta, Roger Schultes, Sam Tesch, Kevin Thole, Carole Thompson, Rose Thorp, and Steph Wehrenberg.

Our ongoing prayer list includes Pratik Biswakarma and Chintapalli Divya, ALCW's Kidstown International sponsorship children.

If you would like someone added to these lists for special prayer or know of someone who would like a pastoral visit, please contact Pastor Ethan and let him know of your request.

We are so frequently reminded of the extreme danger those involved in Law Enforcement face. Within our congregation, there are many individuals and families who have friends and loved ones serving in these roles. Therefore, several of us are requesting that we regularly include these names in our weekly congregational prayers.

Presently we are requesting prayers for our law enforcement officers:

- Kyle Drum, husband of Toni Drum
- Nick Eldred, son of Chuck & Nancy Eldred
- Tom Haugen, son of Bryan & Linda Haugen, grandson of Ione Krause
- Colton Larson, deputy sheriff in Waseca County, MN, grandson of Sue & Dennis Kaneski
- Tim Schroeder, son of Sue & Dennis Kaneski
- Brian Schultes, son of Dean & Julie Schultes
- Pete John, cousin to Janie Thole
- Barry Tirk, son of Allan & Blanche Tirk
- Tony Solseth, grandson of Carole Thompson
- Dave Greaver, Todd County Sheriff's Department Chaplain
- Kristi Ruess & Tim Huston, Todd County Sheriff's Department Assistant Chaplains

2024-25 Wednesday Night Family Supper Schedule

November 6th – Thanksgiving Dinner “Carnival of Thanks”
from 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm. **To reserve a meal time,
please sign up on the reservation sheet in the
narthex or call Lori at the church office.**

November 13th – Team 2 – Potluck

November 20th – Team 3 – Spaghetti

November 27th – **No Supper** – Thanksgiving Break

December 4th – Team 4 – Taco Temptations

December 11th – Youth Mission Trip Fundraiser

December 18th – Team 5 – Soupers

December 25th – **No Supper** – Christmas Break

January 1st – **No Supper** – New Year’s Break

January 8th – Team 1 – Duke’s Mixture

January 15th – Team 2 – Potluck

January 22nd – Team 3 – Spaghetti

January 29th – Team 4 – Taco Temptations

February 5th – Team 5 – Soupers

February 12th – Youth Mission Trip Fundraiser

February 19th – Team 1 – Duke’s Mixture

February 26th – Team 2 – Potluck

March 5th – Team 3 – Spaghetti

March 12th – Team 4 – Taco Temptations

March 19th – Team 5 – Soupers

March 26th – Team 1 – Duke’s Mixture

April 2nd – Team 2 – Potluck

April 9th – Team 3 – Spaghetti

April 16th – Team 4 – Taco Temptations

April 23rd – Team 5 – Soupers

April 30th - ALCW

