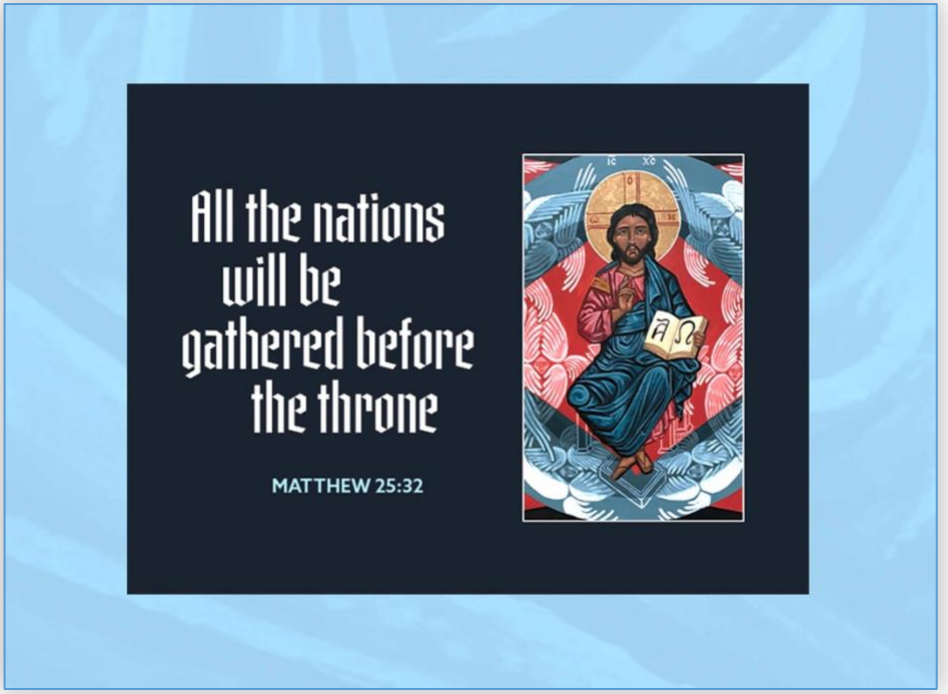
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22nd, 2026

26th Sunday after Pentecost, Christ the King



Our Savior's Lutheran Church

Virginia, MN

Pastor Liz Cheney



PRELUDE ***Anna De Foe, Organist***

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN ***When Morning Gilds the Skies*** **ELW# 853**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

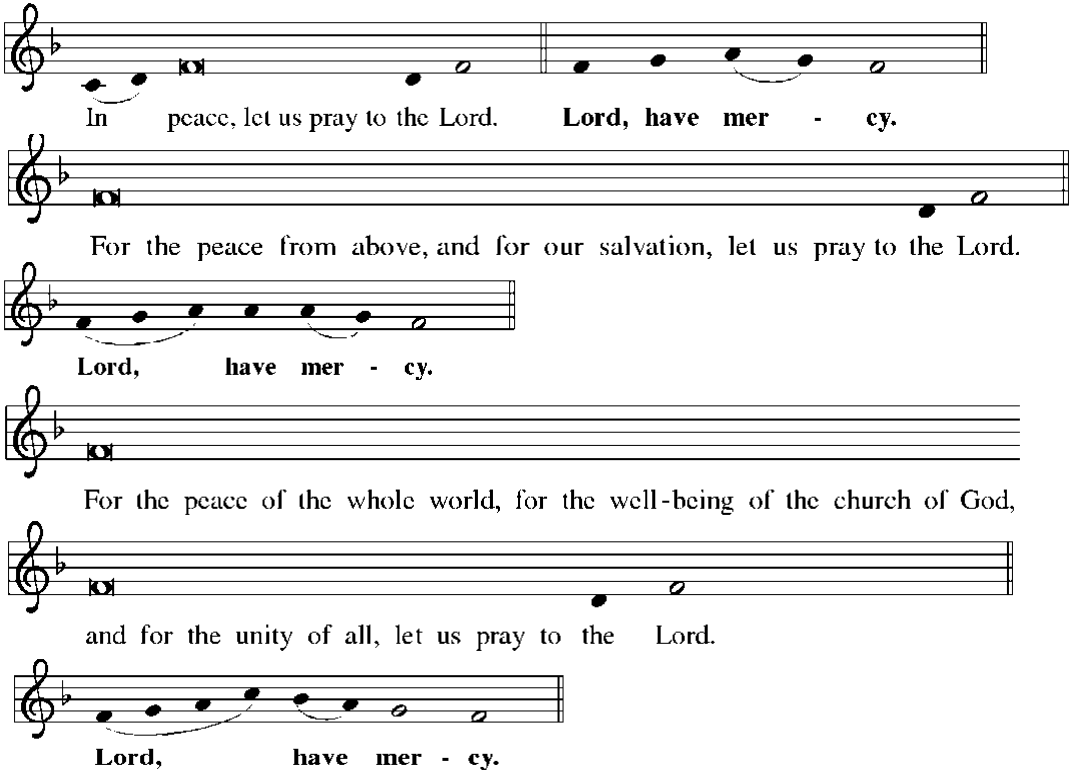
Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
our dwelling place for all generations, whose compassion never slumbers. **Amen.**

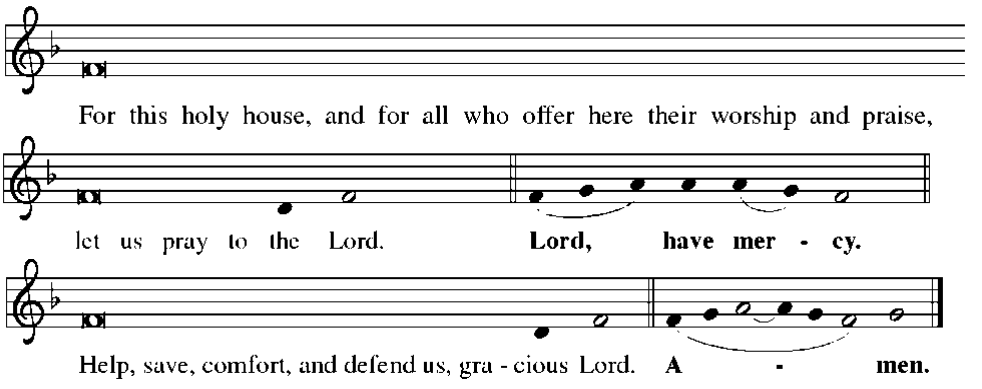
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God,
we confess that we have trusted in our preparation instead of your invitation.
We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved.
We trust the voice of our shame and fear, which keeps us from entering fully into relationship with you and others.
We are not awake to the coming of your reign.
Rouse us and rescue us, that we may enter into your joy. Amen.

Inherit the riches of God's grace.
☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy.
You are forgiven. Blessed are you. **Amen.**

KYRIE





THIS IS THE FEAST





PRAYER OF THE DAY **O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service, and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 ***Lector, Nina Kampf***

Because Israel's kings proved to be bad shepherds, Ezekiel declares that the LORD will assume the role of shepherd in Israel. The LORD will also set over them a shepherd-messiah, "my servant David," who will feed and care for the people.

11 Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep and will sort them out. 12 As shepherds
sort out their flocks when they are among scattered sheep, so I will sort out my sheep. I will rescue
them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. 13 I
will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries and bring them into their
own land, and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the
inhabited parts of the land. 14 I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel
shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich
pasture on the mountains of Israel. 15 I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them

lie down, says the Lord GOD. 16 I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strays, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

20 Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. 21 Because you pushed with flank and shoulder and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, 22 I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged, and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

23 I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them; he shall feed them and be their shepherd. 24 And I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I the LORD have spoken.

Word of God. Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM Psalm 95:1-7a. ***Please respond with verses in bold print.***

1 Come, let us sing to the LORD;
let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.

2 **Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving**
and raise a loud shout to the LORD with psalms.

3 For you, LORD, are a great God,
and a great ruler above all gods.

4 **In your hand are the caverns of the earth;**
the heights of the hills are also yours.

5 The sea is yours, for you made it,
and your hands have molded the dry land.

6 **Come, let us worship and bow down,**
let us kneel before the LORD our maker.

7a For the LORD is our God,
and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep of God's hand.

SECOND READING Ephesians 1:15-23

In this passage, God is praised for revealing ultimate divine power in raising Jesus from the dead. The resurrected, exalted Christ is Lord of both the church and the entire universe, now and in the age to come.

15 I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason 16 I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, 17 that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, 18 so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, 19 and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. 20 God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, 21 far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above

every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. [22] And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, [23] which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Matthew 25:31-46. The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus compares himself to a king who moves among his subjects to see how he is treated: what is done for the least of those who belong to his family is truly done for him.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] [31] "When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. [32] All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, [33] and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. [34] Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, [35] for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, [36] I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' [37] Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? [38] And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? [39] And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' [40] And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.' [41] Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You who are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels, [42] for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, [43] I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' [44] Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison and did not take care of you?' [45] Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' [46] And these will go away into eternal punishment but the righteous into eternal life."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON ***Pastor Dorothy Sand***

HYMN OF THE DAY ***Give to Our God Immortal Praise!*** **ELW# 848**

APOSTLES CREED **pg. 105**

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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

Response after each petition: *(Pastor) "God, in your mercy,"* ***(Congregation) "hear our prayer."***

Concluding prayer: Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved. **Amen.**

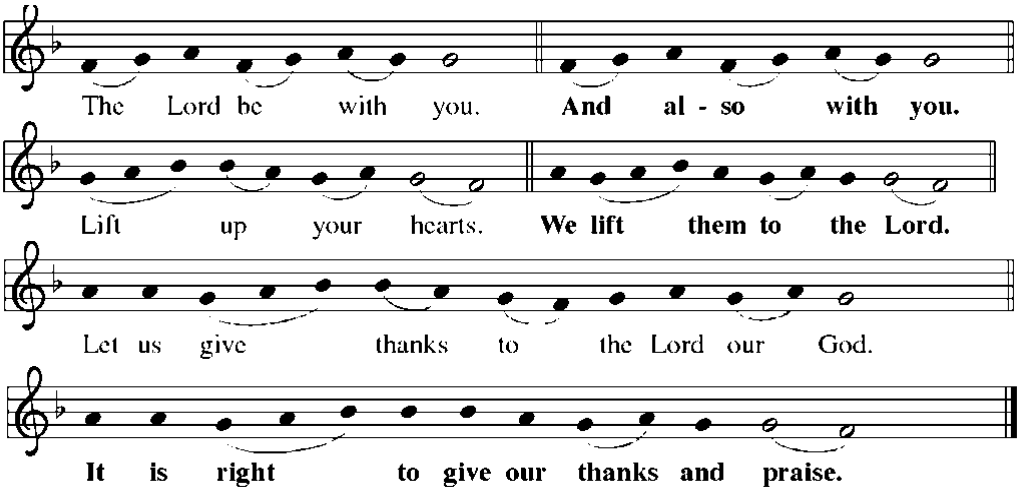
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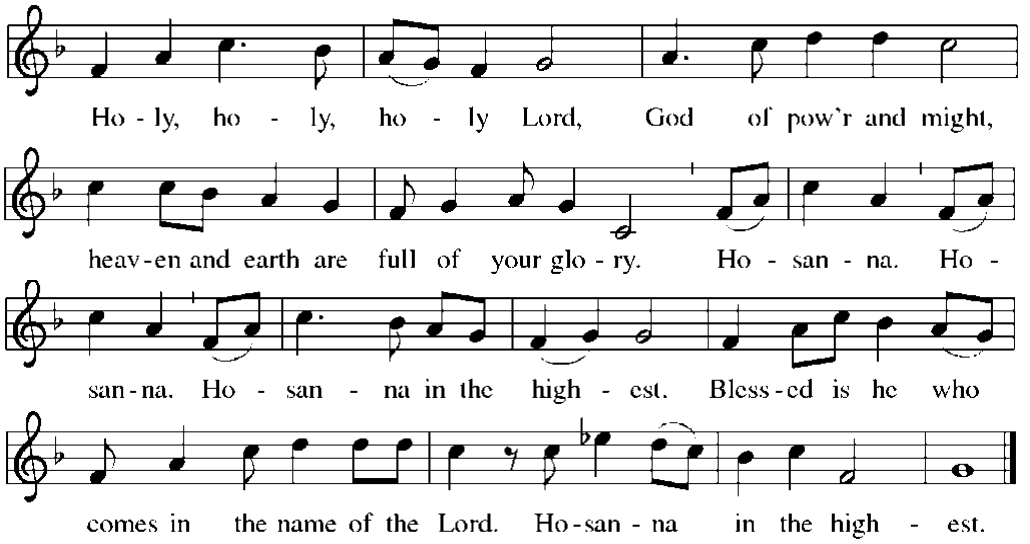
CHOIR HYMN ***The King of Love My Shepherd Is*** ***Choir Director, Jim De Foe***

OFFERING PRAYER Eternal God, our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



PASTOR CONCLUDES . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



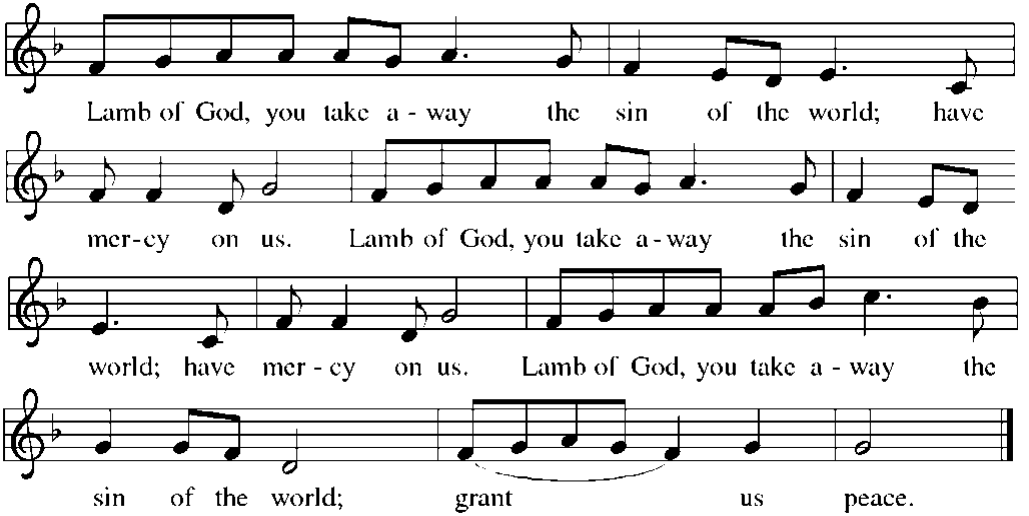
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray. **pg. 191**

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in. Come, receive what Christ has prepared.



The King of Love My Shepherd Is **ELW# 502**

TABLE BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION Holy God, we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING The holy Trinity, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God, today and always. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN ***Praise to the Lord, The Almighty*** **ELW# 858**

DISMISSAL Go in peace. Encourage one another. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE ***Anna De Foe, Organist***

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WE HOLD IN OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for people in need of comfort, hope, healing, safe transition, and for those serving away from home: Ralph M., Scooby, Pr. Dorothy, Butch, Tom, Gordy, Paul, Jean, Fred, Megan, Ellen, Steven, Gary, Chuck, Ron, Nadia, Mary, Ruth, Hudson, Wilson, Logan, Nel, Jim, Kyle, Cliff, Ryan, Alexandra W, Leslie, Shannon, Dale, Adeline, Sue, Jim, Wendy, Fred, Harry, Larry, Caleb, Jake, Laurie, Mike, Tedd, Matthew, Rick & Betsy, Gordon, Ross, Anna, Archer, Sharon, Mary, Debbie, Leanne, Addy, Deb, Kyle, Gerilyn, Wally, Ralph, Sue.

Call the church office or Pastor if you have a prayer need: we can send it to the prayer chain if you desire. If you are in need of any pastoral care or if you or someone you know would like a visit, please call Pastor Liz Cheney at 218-780-8907 or the church office at 218-741-6207.

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Hanging of the Greens

SUNDAY, NOV. 22nd AFTER WORSHIP. JOIN US TO DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR ADVENT & CHRISTMAS!



NOVEMBER LECTORS

NOV. 1- SHELLEY SVATOS
NOV. 8- ANNA DE FOE
NOV. 15- KEVIN BROWN
NOV. 22- ALL LECTORS AVAILABLE
NOV. 29- KRISTI ONGALO

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLIDAY WREATHS **TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO ORDER!** The sign-up sheet is in the narthex. Pick-up will be **Dec. 6th ~ Supports the Youth** National Gathering trip. Bowde and Morgan Klatt. Gunner Skager and Pastor Liz are attending from OS along with 7 others from Messiah and Gethsemane.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS If you are bringing food for the baskets, or helping back them, please be here by 9:30am tomorrow!

THANKSGIVING WORSHIP There will be an Ecumenical Service, **tomorrow, Mon., Nov.23rd at 6pm** with Coffee & Pie to follow at Sts. John & Paul Episcopal Church, 231. 3rd St S. Our Savior's & 6 churches will participate. There will be a time of offering you are invited to consider a donation of a non-perishable food item or a monetary gift of cash that will be go to No Hungry Neighbors and food items will be distributed between the church's various food pantries.

LUTEFISK DINNERS This annual event is held at Gethsemane Lutheran and takes place **Dec. 1st, 3-7pm.** There will be a silent auction to **support youth**; if you want to donate items, bring to Gethsemane by Nov. 25th. Youth will help serve and clean-up. **Trinity in Cook** will hold their Lutefisk dinner on **Dec 5th from 4-6.**

ADVENT WORSHIP We will have joint services led by the Confirmands this year. The first one will take place **Wed. Dec. 2nd, Soup Dinner @ 6, Worship 6:30**, **at Messiah Lutheran Church**.
The next worship will be **@ OSLC Wed., Dec. 9th,** Soup Dinner @ 6, Worship 6:30, and the last will take place at **Gethsemane Lutheran on Wed., Dec. 16th,** Soup Dinner @ 6, Worship 6:30.

LIFT YOUTH & ADULT STUDY will resume on January 13th at Messiah. Join us during Avent Wednesdays for three youth led Advent services, one at each congregation: 6pm Soup supper. 6:30pm worship.

CHORALAIRES CONCERT The Concert @ OSLC is **Sun., Dec. 6th, 2pm.** Consider bringing Christmas Cookies the week before for the Coffee Reception held after the concert. Label them for the "Choralaires" and bring them to the kitchen. *Thank You!*

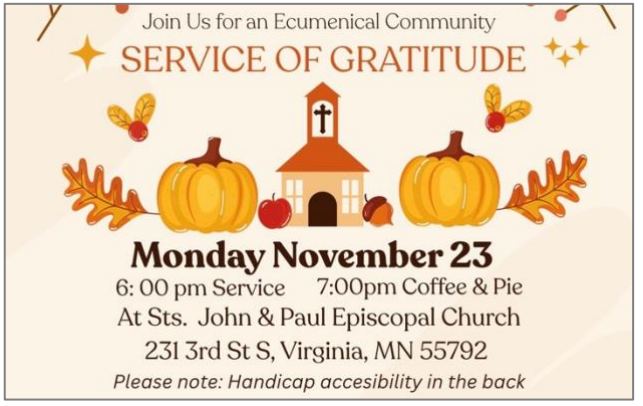
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****The church office will be closed this Thursday and Friday for the holiday. Happy Thanksgiving!***

MON. NOV. 23	TUES. NOV. 24	WED. NOV. 25	THURS. NOV. 26	FRI. NOV. 27	SAT. NOV. 28	SUN. NOV. 29
10:30AM AA 2 PM ORGAN PR. 6PM ECUMENICAL WORSHIP AT ST. JOHN & PAUL EPISC.CHURCH 6PM SCOUTS 7PM NA	10:30AM AA 2 PM ORGAN PR.	9AM QUILTING 10:30AM AA 12-3PM C.CLOSET 3PM CHOIR 5:30PM ALANON	10:30AM AA 7PM NA Happy Thanksgiving	10:30AM AA 7PM NA *OFFICE CLOSED*	10:30AM AA 7PM NA *OFFICE CLOSED*	9:30 AM 1ST ADVENT WORSHIP 1PM AA 3PM CUB SC. 7PM NA









COMMUNITY CLOSET PANTRY

Below are the following challenge items for the pantry. You can buy what you desire & at the store that is most convenient for you; we are just providing examples below:

1. *HEARTY SOUPS, 18OZ CANS @ WALMART*
   WALMART BRAND $1.86, CAMPBELLS & PROGRESSO $1.98
2. *GREAT VALUE BLOCK CHEESE @ WALMART*
   $1.87/8OZ BLOCK VARIOUS KINDS
3. *GREAT VALUE UNCOOKED SAUSAGE LINKS @ WALMART*
   $2.57/12OZ PACKAGE
4. *GREAT VALUE TUNA IN WATER @ WALMART*
   $3.84/4-PK OF 5OZ CANS
5. *COMPLETE PANCAKE/WAFFLE MIX @ WALMART*
   $2.08/32OZ BOX




Choralaires Christmas Concert
Friday, Dec. 4th, 6pm @ Gethsemane
Sunday, Dec. 6th, 2pm @ Our Savior's
Coffee reception to follow


ADVENT JOINT WORSHIP 2026
WED., DEC. 2ND: MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH
6PM SOUP DINNER, 6:30PM WORSHIP
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WED., DEC. 16TH: GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH
6PM SOUP DINNER, 6:30PM WORSHIP
CONFIRMANDS FROM ALL CHURCHES WILL ASSIST
IN LEADING WORSHIP


Join us for
Christmas Eve Worship
Thursday, December 24th
4:00 PM
Family friendly, favorite Christmas carols,
the Good News, children's message,
Silent Night by candle light &
Holy Communion!
Pre-service Music by the choir @ 3:40