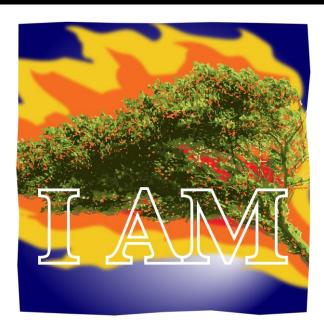
# TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

"Neither Shaken nor Alarmed," — 2 Thessalonians 2:2
8:30 AM, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2025



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# We warmly welcome you in the name of Jesus!

We are always glad to have you worship with us. If you do not have a regular church home, we invite you to make our church home yours.

- † Our worship services are on Sunday mornings at 8:30 and 11:00 AM. We also invite and encourage you to join us in Sunday School and Bible Study at 9:45 AM.
- † Assisted hearing devices, children's bulletins, and large print service folders are available -- please ask an usher for one.
- The While we encourage children to be present in worship, the upstairs cry room opposite the elevator is available for you.
- † Our worship services can now be viewed on the church's Facebook page (live or after the service), as well as on our YouTube channel. *The Lutheran Hour* can be heard on Sundays at 9:00 AM at KAWZ (102.7FM).

#### Prayer before worship:

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

**AS WE GATHER** We are not far from the "holiday season." In the secular world, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's roll into one big celebration. It is typical to have holiday traditions around special times of the year. Traditions can serve to make some moments more memorable and meaningful. But sometimes traditions add stress to an already hectic calendar or distract us from the real reason for celebrating. Before jumping headlong into the holiday season, soak up this moment in worship. See how the Lord repeatedly meets us with His best. See how surrounding ourselves with His Word and sacramental gifts truly makes us ready to celebrate, for this season and forever!

# **DIVINE SERVICE SETTING 4**

# Confession and Absolution

Prelude and Ringing of the Bell Welcome and Opening Prayer



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#### Please stand.

# **Invocation and Opening Sentences**

Psalm 118:24; 1 John 3:1; John 13:35; 1 Corinthians 16:14

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ⅓ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

People: Amen.

Leader: This is the day that the LORD has made;

People: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Leader: See what kind of love the Father has given to us,

People: that we should be called children of God; and so we are.

Leader: Jesus said, "By this all people will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for

one another."

People: Let all that you do be done in love.

#### **Confession and Absolution**

Colossians 1:13-14

Leader: The Lord has delivered us from the domain of darkness

People: and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have

redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Leader: Almighty God and Father,

People: we confess, as Your people, our need for Your merciful kindness. We are prisoners of our own wants, our own traditions, and our own inborn sinfulness. Our actions and interactions often fail as reflections of Your kingdom. Our thoughts and desires often reflect the domain of darkness You have delivered us from. We often act out of our love for ourselves, rather than our love for others or for You. Forgive us and free us, Lord, to love what You love and go where You lead, all by the grace of our Redeemer, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son, Jesus, to die for you, and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As an ordained servant of the Word made flesh, and by His

authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the 🔻

Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

#### **Sharing of the Peace**

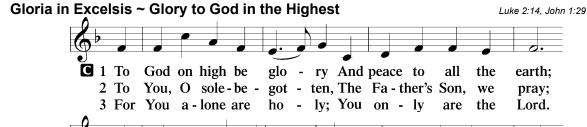
Matthew 5:22-24; Ephesians 4:1-3

The people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

# Service of the Word



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!

O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.

For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

#### Salutation and Collect of the Day

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** 

2 Timothy 4:22

Leader:

Let us pray. Living God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of Your grace to lay hold of Your promises and live forever in Your presence; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

Please be seated.

#### **Old Testament Reading**

Exodus 3:1–15

The Lord announces His intention to deliver Israel from slavery and mobilizes Moses to bear His name.

Reader: Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law. Jethro, the priest

Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. And the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." When the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" He said, "But I will be with you, and this shall be the

sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you." God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

#### Anthem

#### "Let All the People Praise!"

by C. Courtney

#### **Epistle Lesson**

#### 2 Thessalonians 2:1–8, 13–17

Amid confusion and calamity, Paul exhorts believers to cling to his faithful teaching and the hope of Christ.

Reader:

Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we ask you, brothers, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come. Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God. Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? And you know what is restraining him now so that he may be revealed in his time. For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way. And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming. . . .

But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth. To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by our spoken word or by our letter.

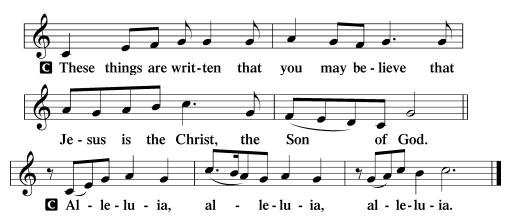
Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Reader: Please stand in reverence to the Gospel. Stand.





Holy Gospel

Luke 20:27-40

Jesus silences the scribes and Sadducees by witnessing of the God of the living.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twentieth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

Pastor:

There came to [Jesus] some Sadducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, and they asked him a question, saying, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, having a wife but no children, the man must take the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. Now there were seven brothers. The first took a wife, and died without children. And the second and the third took her, and likewise all seven left no children and died. Afterward the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had her as wife."

And Jesus said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and to the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage, for they cannot die anymore, because they are equal to angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed, in the passage about the bush, where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for all live to him." Then some of the scribes answered, "Teacher, you have spoken well." For they no longer dared to ask him any question.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

# **Apostles' Creed**

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come 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.

Please be seated.



Responding to His voice.

Soon years on earth are past; But time we spend expressing The love of God brings blessing That will forever last!

6 Yet even though I suffer
The world's unpleasantness,
And though the days grow rougher
And bring me great distress,
That day of bliss divine,
Which knows no end or measure,
And Christ, who is my pleasure,
Forever shall be mine.

Please stand for the final Trinitarian verse.  $\triangle$ 

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#### Sermon

# "Neither Shaken nor Alarmed"

#### 2 Thessalonians 2:2

Please stand.

# **Prayer of the Church**

After each petition:

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy, **People:** Hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with Father and Spirit, one God,

now and forever.

People: Amen.

Please be seated.

**Offering** During this time, we invite you to sign and pass the Friendship Book. All communicants are invited to read and prayerfully consider the following.

#### We believe that...

- † Holy Communion is a Sacrament since it was instituted by Christ Himself.
- † We are truly worthy and well prepared to partake of Holy Communion when we repent of our sins and have faith in these words, "Given and shed for you for the remission of sins."
- † We receive the bread and wine <u>and</u> the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ when, as repentant, true believers we partake of Holy Communion.

# Our Savior Lutheran Church practices close communion.

What does this mean?

Confirmed members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are welcome to commune with us. If you are not a confirmed member of our church or one of our sister congregations, we encourage you to speak to the pastor about preparing to participate in communion at Our Savior.

† Children and those not communing are welcome to come forward for a blessing (indicated by folded hands), or to remain seated for individual prayer. When the wine is offered, communicants have the choice of an individual cup or the common cup. Individual cups containing DARK WINE are alcohol-free for those with medical need only, please.

# Service of the Sacrament

Please stand.

#### **Preface**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give Him thanks and prai

**People:** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

[Psalm 136]
Pastor: It is truly worthy, proper, and beneficial that we would give thanks to You in every time

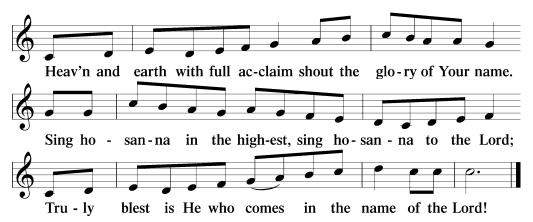
and place, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who committed Himself both to Your fatherly will and to helpless humanity by offering Himself as a substitute and sacrifice for the sins of man. His glorious death and triumphant resurrection testify to His victory over sin and death, setting forth the Gospel that brings life to all who believe. Therefore, as those who bear witness to His triumph until He comes again, we join our voices with the saints and angels, eternally praising

You and singing:



2 Timothy 4:22

[Colossians 3:1]



Pastor:

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer Matthew 6:9-13

#### The Words of Our Lord

Matt. 26:26-28, Mark 14:22-24, Luke 22:19-20; 1 Cor. 11:23-25

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

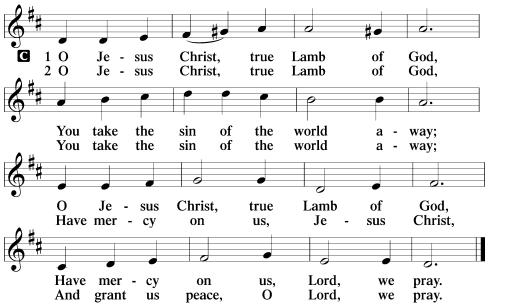
Pax Domini John 20:19

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

People: Amen.







Please be seated.

**Distribution** If you are communing, please come forward at the direction of the ushers.

**Distribution Anthem** 

Truly Present, Christ Is with Us

by R. Gieseke, G. Wismar

**Distribution Song** 

Our God Will Go Before Us

by K. Getty, M. Boswell, M. Papa

Our God will go before us

And guide us by His presence.

What confidence this promise is:

We will never walk alone.

Through unknown paths, through shadows Our hearts fear not tomorrow, For every step His faithfulness Is the truth that lights our way.

#### Chorus

Our God will go before us. The Lord of Hosts is with us. O praise the One who leads us on For His grace will bring us home.

Though evil forms against us,
All heaven will defend us.
The gates of hell shall not prevail,
For the battle is the Lord's. Chorus

Now send us with Your presence
And lead us on to heaven
Where songs of sorrow strain no more,
And our every breath is praise.
O, let our every breath be praise. Chorus twice

For His grace will bring us home.

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Please stand.

#### Nunc Dimittis ~ Song of Simeon

Luke 2:29-32

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- 1 O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace, For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace:
  A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill, The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.
- 2 All glory to the Father,
  All glory to the Son,
  All glory to the Spirit,
  Forever Three in One;
  For as in the beginning,
  Is now, shall ever be,
  God's triune name resounding
  Through all eternity.

#### **Post-Communion Collect**

Pastor:

Lord Jesus Christ, as You deliver Your free and full forgiveness, extend to us also Your good hope, which comforts our hearts and establishes us for the good works prepared for us. Hold us in Your truth, that we would not wander or waver from the reliable testimony of Your Holy Word. And captivate our hearts so fully by Your Gospel that we cannot help but tell all creation of the glories of our triune God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

#### **Benedicamus and Benediction**

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord. [Psalm 103:1]

People: Thanks be to God.

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious

to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and 

→ give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

People: Amen.



## Silent Prayer and Postlude

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Readings for next Sunday, 11/16: Malachi 4, Psalm 98, 2 Thessalonians 3:1–13, Luke 21:5–28

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