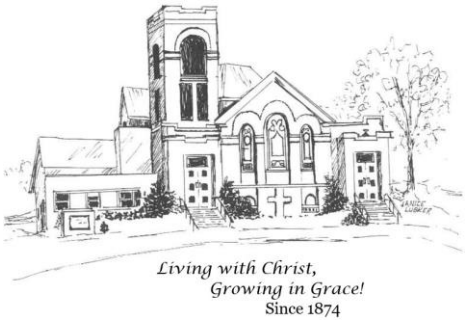


Grace Lutheran Church (ELCA)
Sunday, November 8, 2026
Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

**Please stand as you are able.*

Prelude *Chatter with the Angels* Glory Ringers

Announcements

Confession & Forgiveness

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.

***Gathering Hymn** *Come, We That Love the Lord* WOV 742



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Greeting

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

***Kyrie**


A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. C Lord, have mer - cy.
A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
C Lord, have mer - cy.
A 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.
C Lord, have mer - cy.
A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord. C Lord, have mer - cy.
A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. C A - men

***Hymn of Praise** *This Is the Feast*



***Prayer of the Day**
O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

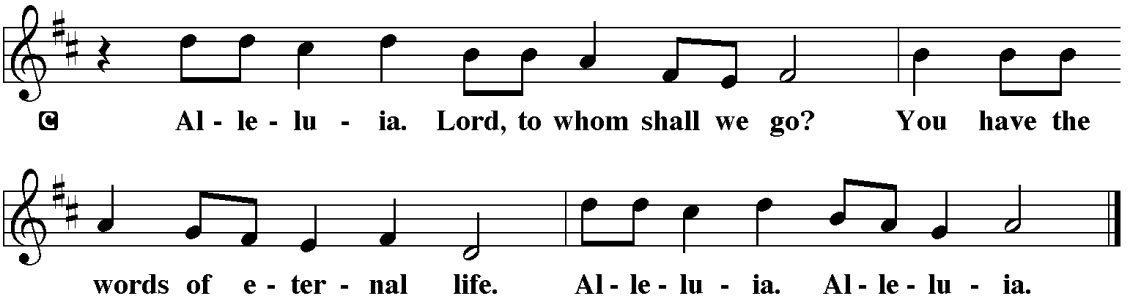
Special Music *You Lift Me Up* Glory Ringers

First Lesson **Amos 5:18-24**
A reading from Amos:
18 Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! Why do you want the day of the LORD? It is
darkness, not light, 19 as if someone fled from a lion and was met by a bear or went into the
house and rested a hand against the wall and was bitten by a snake. 20 Is not the day of the LORD
darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it?
21 I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. 22 Even
though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them, and the
offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. 23 Take away from me the
noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. 24 But let justice roll down like
water and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 70 (read responsively)
1 Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; O LORD, make haste to help me.
2 **Let those who seek my life be put to shame and confounded; let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and be disgraced.**
3 Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back because of their shame.
4 **Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; let those who love your salvation say forever, "Great is the LORD!"**
5 But as for me, I am poor and needy; come to me quickly, O God. You are my helper and my deliverer; O LORD, do not tarry.

Second Lesson **1 John 3:1-3**
A reading from 1 John:
1 See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that
is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we
are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this:
when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. 3 And all who have this
hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

***Gospel Acclamation**



Gospel **Matthew 25:1-13**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 25th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] [1] "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten young
women took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. [2] Five of them were foolish, and five
were wise. [3] When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, [4] but the wise took
flasks of oil with their lamps. [5] As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and
slept. [6] But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet
him.' [7] Then all those young women got up and trimmed their lamps. [8] The foolish said to the
wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' [9] But the wise replied, 'No! there
will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for
yourselves.' [10] And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready
went with him into the wedding banquet, and the door was shut. [11] Later the other young
women came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' [12] But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not
know you.' [13] Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon **Pastor Priscilla**

Hymn of the Day *Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying* ELW 436



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***Apostles' Creed**

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 to the dead. 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 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.

A brief silence.

You illumine the church with the hope of your new day. Prepare our hearts and minds for the inbreaking of your kingdom, that we might awaken to your transforming love at work all around us. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You create and sustain the earth's natural rhythms so that all life might thrive. Show us the wisdom and wonder of nature's balance; make us careful stewards of our common home. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You make justice roll down in all places and among all nations. Encourage all who protect vulnerable communities and help rebuild in the aftermath of conflict. Uphold veterans and those who care for them. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You hasten to heal our wounds and make whole what is broken. Comfort individuals facing a difficult diagnosis, receiving palliative care, or facing uncertain treatment options. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You give rest to weary hearts and bodies. As the days grow shorter in the north, help us to move more slowly and intentionally through our days, honoring the need for quiet and stillness. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You welcome those who have come before us in faith into the joys of heaven. Sustain us by your grace and guide us into the promise of everlasting life. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Gracious God, we entrust to you all who have asked us to pray and remember especially those on our prayer list. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

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

***Peace**

Jesus said to his disciples, *"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."*
The peace of the Lord be with you, always. **And also with you.**

Offering

Please place all offerings in the plate by the entrance to the sanctuary or you may use the QR code found on the back of the bulletin.

***Offertory Hymn** *Let the Vineyards*



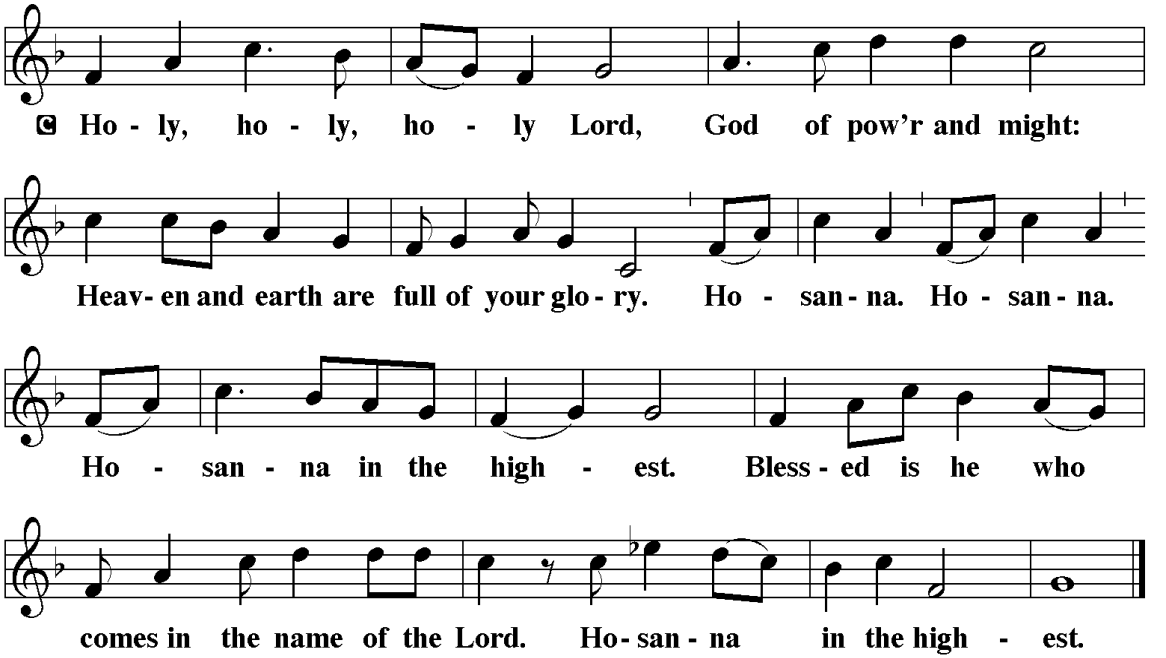
Offering Prayer

Merciful God,
accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory.
You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day
when we will hunger and thirst no more.
Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus,
that goodness and mercy may follow us
and bless the world you love.
In the name of Jesus, **Amen.**

***The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
And so we sing with all the saints in glory…

***Holy, Holy, Holy**



***Words of Institution**

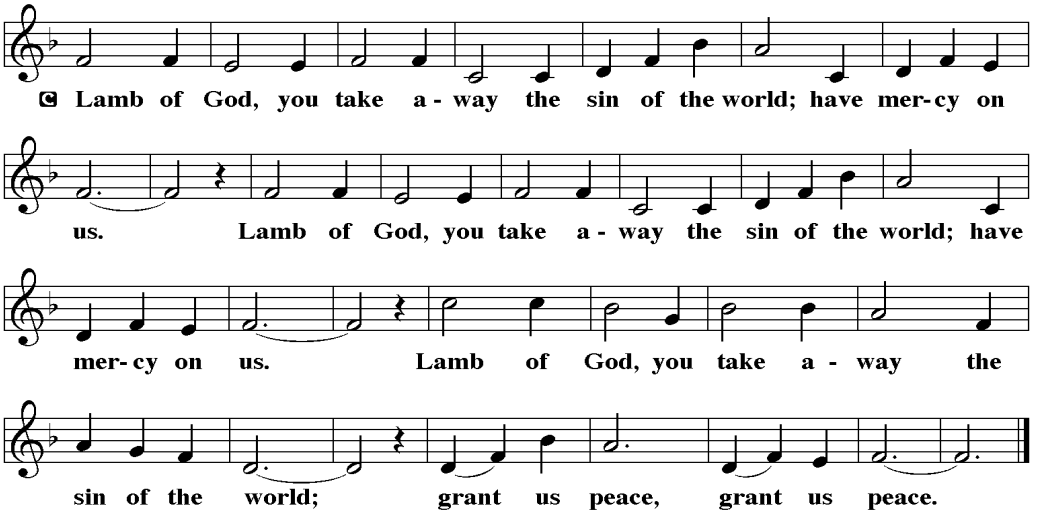
***The Lord's Prayer**

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

The table is set for you and all are welcome. Come, the bread of life and the cup of blessing await you. The body and blood of Christ given for you. Amen.

Lamb of God



Communion *Blessed Assurance* WOV 699



1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.
an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.
watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.

Refrain



This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:

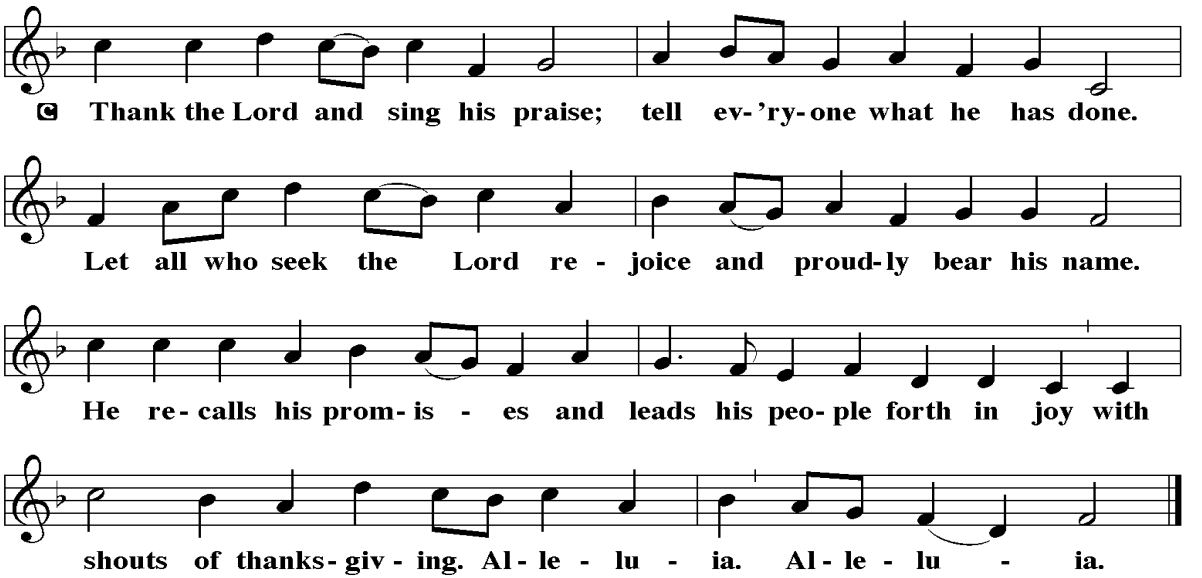


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Blessing after Communion
The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in his grace, from now unto everlasting life. **Amen**.

***Post Communion Canticle** *Thank the Lord*



***Prayer after Communion**
Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, **Amen.**

Blessing
God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ✢ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn *God of Grace and God of Glory* LBW 415



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***Dismissal**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude