Traditions Worship Service ~ 8:30 A.M.

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost — November 8, 2026

For the Lord himself...will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first.
Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air,
and so we will be with the Lord forever. —1 Thessalonians 4:16, 17

Welcome

Recognition of Veterans

Hymn ***This Is My Song*** **ELW 887, vs. 1, 3**

Sharing Peace

Confession and Forgiveness

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

Pastor: Holy God,

People: 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.

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

People: Amen.

Opening Hymn ***God Is Here!*** **ELW 526**

Greeting

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

People: And also with you.

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.**

Anthem "I Thank You, Lord," Joseph Martin Olivet Choir

First Reading

Amos 5:18-24, page 747
Orange Spark Bible page 998
Blue Spark Bible page 995

Psalm (read in unison) **Psalm 70**

[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 Reading **1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, page 960**
Orange Spark Bible page 1,316
Blue Spark Bible page 1,310

Gospel Acclamation ***Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast***

Almighty God, your word is cast like seed into the ground;
Now let the dew of heav'n descend and righteous fruits abound.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 25th chapter.
People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel **Matthew 25:1-13, page 806**
Orange Spark Bible page 1,090
Blue Spark Bible page 1,086

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon Pastor Bill Boelter

Hymn of the Day ~ Offering ***Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning***
(words on the screen)

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Venmo

Offertory Response ***Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*** **ELW 182**

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.**

Apostles' Creed

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
Pastor: Lord, in your mercy,
People: hear our prayer.

Invitation to Communion ~ Words of Institution
*****White grape juice is available in the center of the trays. Gluten-free wafers are also available.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Distribution Hymns ***Lamb of God*** **page 146**
What Feast of Love **ELW 487**
He Leadeth Me (words on the screen)

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 & Dismissal

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: Go in peace. Encourage one another.

People: Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn ***Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand*** **ELW 441**

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Sundays: 8:30 A.M. Traditions worship (in-person & online)
10:00 A.M. Radio broadcast on WDAY 970 AM & 93.1 FM
10:30 A.M. Celebrate! worship (in-person & online)
Wednesdays: 6 P.M. (in-person & online)

WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastors: Kris Gorden, Bill Boelter, Hope Deutscher, Nathan Adu-Gyamfi
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Music Directors: Marlys Herring, Kari del Rio, Matt Aakre

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