HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday, November 8th, 2026

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

"The Little Church with a Big Heart"

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP at HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH.

We're glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please sign a visitor card and place it in the offering plate. We thank you for joining us in worship and pray that our time together is a blessing to you. And…. please join us for our weekly fellowship brunch after worship. There's always plenty and you are very welcome. If you are looking for a faith community, we would be pleased to have you call HVLC your "church home".

PRELUDE AND RINGING OF THE BELL
WELCOME AND STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
CHILDREN'S CHAT AND NOISY OFFERING *(used for local hunger relief)*

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

C Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Holy God,

C 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.

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

C Amen.
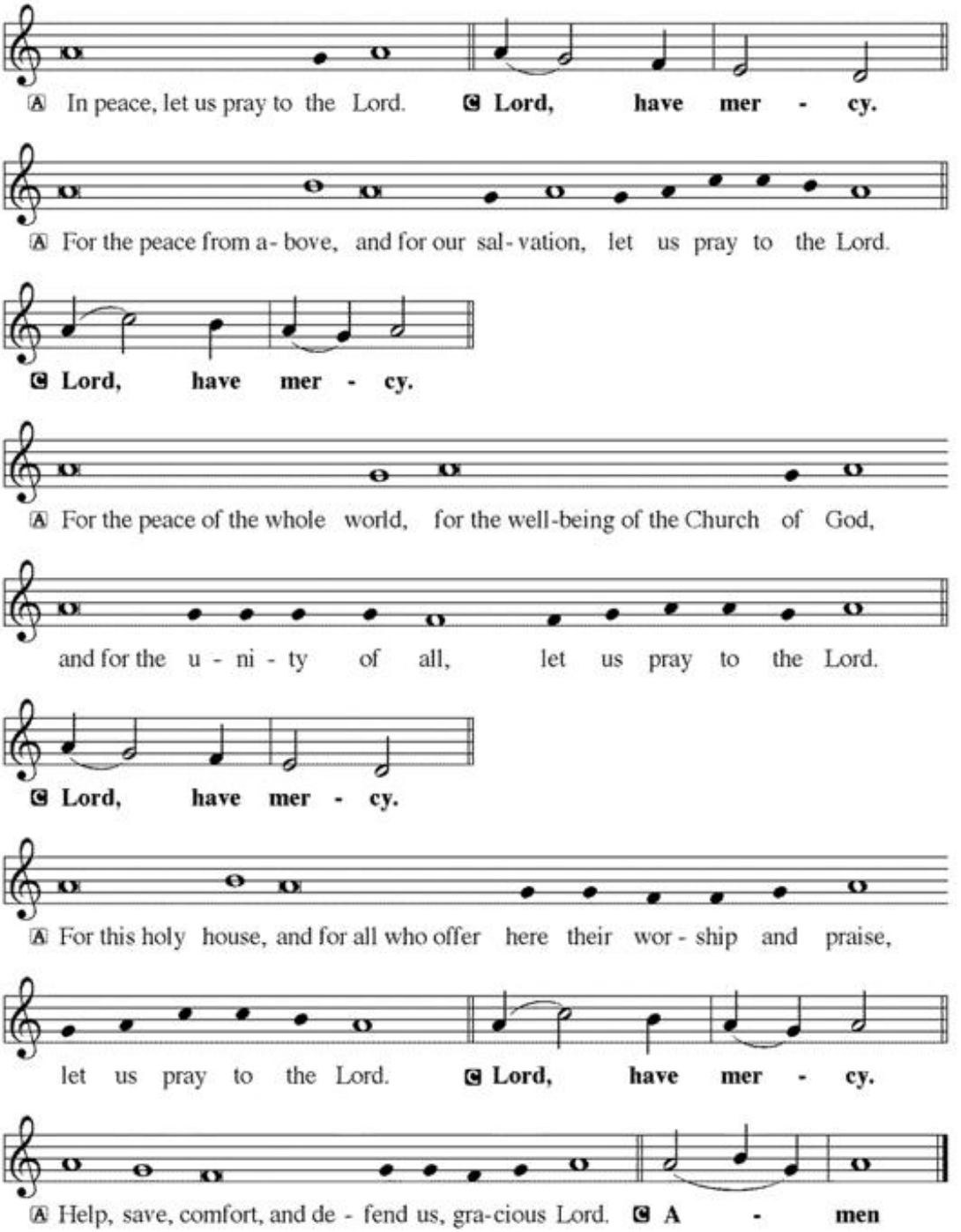
GATHERING HYMN *"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"* **HYMN 834**

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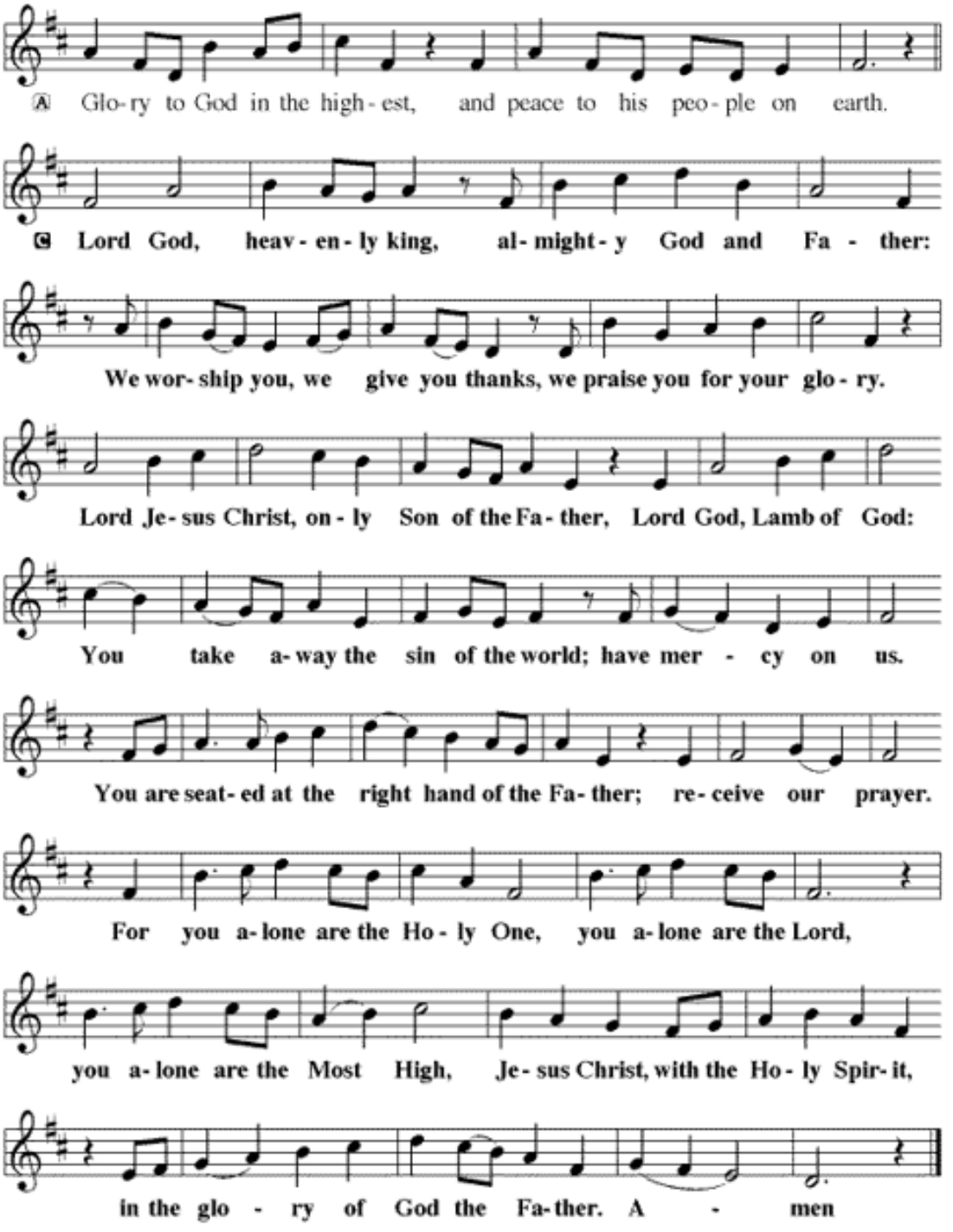
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE *(setting 4 pp 147-148)*



HYMN OF PRAISE (*setting 4 pp 149-150*)



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. O God of justice and love,

C 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.

FIRST READING: Amos 5:18-24

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.

R The word of the Lord **C Thanks be to God**

PSALM: Psalm 70 *(read responsively)*

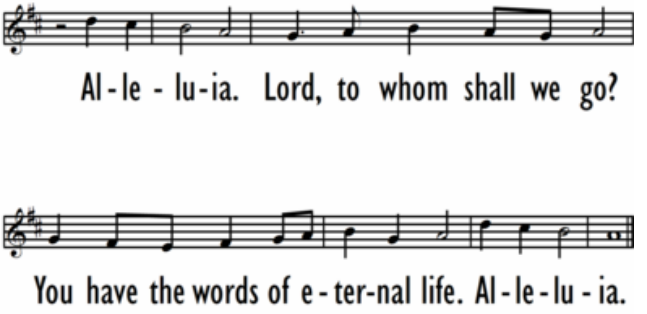
1 Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; O LORD, make haste to help me.
2 **Let those who seek my life be put to shame and confounded;**
let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and be

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 READING: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
13 We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. 14 For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. 15 For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. 16 For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 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. 18 Therefore encourage one another with these words.

R Word of God, Word of Life **C Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *(please stand as you are able)*



GOSPEL: Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus tells a parable about his own second coming, emphasizing the need for readiness at all times.

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

C 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."

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

GOD'S WORD FOR TODAY Pastor David Raben

HYMN OF THE DAY "*Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying"* **HYMN 436**

APOSTLES CREED

P Let us confess our faith in the words of the 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 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 catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you.

C And also with you. *(please share Christ's peace with one another)*

OFFERING

OFFERTORY **"***We Give Thee but Thine Own"* **HYMN 686**

C We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

OFFERING PRAYER

P 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.

C Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

RESPONSE TO PRAYERS P God, in your mercy **C hear our prayer**

Sharon (Albert), **Linda** (Anderson), **Tom** (Angermeier), **Bill & Sue** (Aune), **Cindy** (B), **John** (B), **Mike & Rina** (Clumpner), **Elaine** (Caelwaerts), **Dan** (Fenrich), **Pam** (Freiberg), **Alan** (G), **Pastor Hankermeyer, Betty** (J), **Charlotte** (K), **Patricia** (Kehl), **Keith** (Knapp), **Don** (L), **Joel** (L), **Pat** (M), **Kenny** (Meyer), **Monika**

(Perry), **Dale** (Peterson), **Kristin** (Reinert), **Matthew** (Rocque), **Delores** (Schuyler), **Irene** (Thorson), **Arnie** (Zahn), **Brixanna, Marley, Russ, Christina, Gretchen, Joanne, Katlyn, Marissa, Sophia, and the family of David Sandlund.**

C **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C **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**

BLESSING

P Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ☩ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C **Amen.**

TABLE BLESSING

P Let us pray together the table blessing.

C **Come Lord Jesus, be our guest and let these gifts to us be blessed. Amen.**

SENDING HYMN *"Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us"* **HYMN 789**

SENDING FORTH

P Although we may be a little church…

C **…we will carry God's big heart into the world. AMEN!**

POSTLUDE

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Secret Santa money collection has begun. We will be using the money collected to help a family with children during the Christmas Season. Money needs to be given to the church office by December 6. If you are writing a check please put Secret Santa on the memo line. Thank you for your generosity.

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Church envelopes for 2027 are now available downstairs. Any questions, please see Ellen Klister.

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We are looking for people who would be willing to learn to record our worship service perhaps once a month. It is not a difficult thing to do, but very important part of our ministry because there are some who are not able to make it to worship. There will be a schedule where you will be able to choose the Sunday(s) that you are able to help with, much like ushering. As with everything else, many hands make the load less for all. Please see Dean Larson to volunteer. Thank you for stepping up.

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Did you know that there are large print bulletins each week for worship? If this would make your enjoyment and participation in the service better, please ask an usher for a copy. There are also large print copies of the words for the hymns that we are singing. The ushers have these as well.
On the table by each entrance to the sanctuary you will find several things:

1. The current Christ in Our Home
2. Brick order forms
3. The current directory (pictorial as well)
4. The current newsletter
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New to Hainesville. We are starting a lending library. We have been gifted 2 copies of Tallak!, 3 CD's from Janet Anderson, and 1 CD from Peggy Odegaard. These will be on the mantle in the Gathering Room. Please sign your name when you borrow something and the date. Please also indicate the date when it is returned. Thank you for your cooperation.

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The new pictorial directory is now available. We are asking that you limit it to one per household. This was done with the intention of helping to put a face to a name to those that we see here on Sunday mornings. Hope this helps.

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There will be an Ecumenical Thanksgiving Worship Service at Tanum Forest on Sunday, November 22nd at 5:00. Father Bill will be preaching. There will also be an Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing prior to the service at 4:30. All are welcome.

Serving in worship today (Nov 8th)
Presiding minister: Pastor David Raben
Liturgist: Jim Hanstad
Reader: Jan Shusta
Ushers: Dave & Deb Grunwald
Keyboard: Heidi Hintz
Video Tech: Bob Pachniak

Serving in worship next week (Nov 15th)
Presiding minister: Pastor David Raben
Liturgist: Jim Hanstad
Reader: Roy Jilburg
Ushers: Roy Jilburg & Joanne Adlon
Communion Assist: Lana Ferry
Keyboard: Janet Anderson

Readings for next week (Nov 15th)
Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18
The day of the LORD
Psalm 90:1-8 [9-11] 12
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Be alert for the day of the Lord
Matthew 25:14-30
The story of the slaves entrusted with talents

Stewardship Opportunities Nov 8-15
Today the fellowship meal today is the Chili Feast. Next week the fellowship meal will be provided by the folks whose last name begins A-K.

Week at a glance Nov 8-15
Tuesday Bible Study "Grace" chapters 10&11
Wednesday Men's Bible Study at 8 at Tanum Forest
Friday 9-11
Office hours for Lana

Attendance last week: 89

Birthdays in November

Nov 2nd	Robert Peterson
Nov 6th	Kirsten Dixner Young
	Hannah Grohman
Nov 10th	Rachel Hanson
Nov 18th	Kayla Wilke
Nov 20th	Pat Malley
Nov 21st	Greg Jacobson
Nov 26th	Nancy Keyser

Wedding Anniversaries in November

Nov 4th	Kim & Greg Jacobson
Nov 10th	Alice & Tom Angermeier
Nov 27th	Ellen & Russ Klister