

HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH — ELCA



Sunday, November 23rd, 2025

Christ the King Sunday

"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

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Faithful God,

C you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. Amen.

P Hear the good news: God the Faithful One loves you, ✚ in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN “Crown Him with Many Crowns” **HYMN 885**

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)



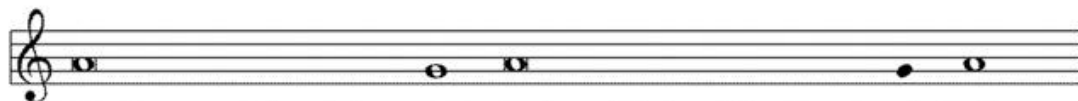
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



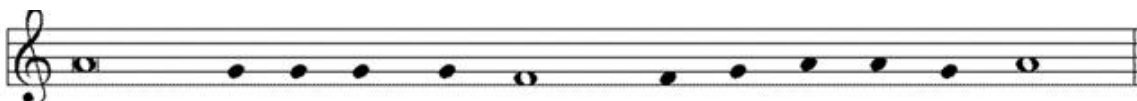
A For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



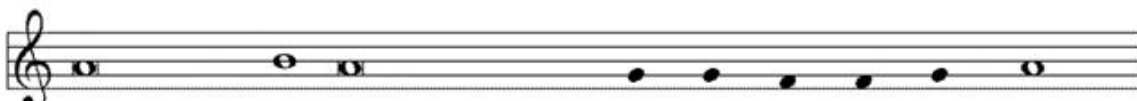
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



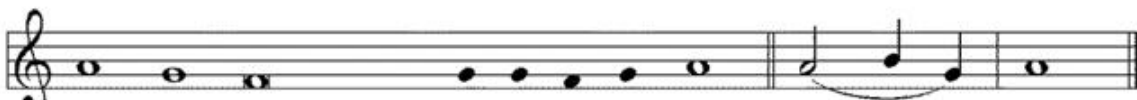
G Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. **G** A - men

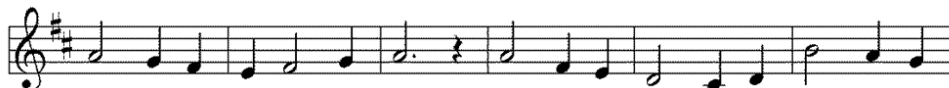
HYMN OF PRAISE *(setting 4 pp 149-150)*



A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



B Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



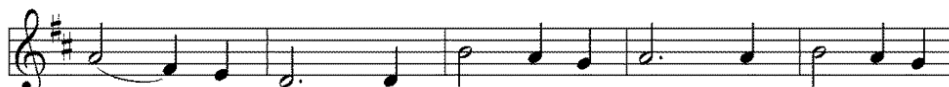
free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



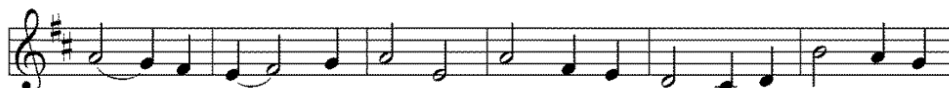
strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



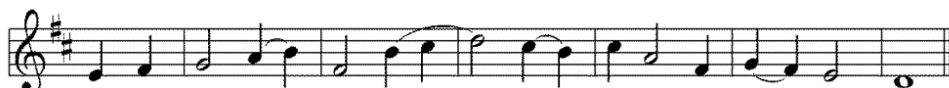
hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. O God,
C **our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, 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: Jeremiah 23:1-6

¹ Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ² Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³ Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴ I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall no longer fear or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: “The LORD is our righteousness.”

R The word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

PSALM: Psalm 46 (*read responsively*)

¹ God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

² **Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**

- ³ though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.
- ⁴ **There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.**
- ⁵ God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;
God shall help it at the break of day.
- ⁶ **The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth melts away.**
- ⁷ The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- ⁸ **Come now, regard the works of the LORD,
what desolations God has brought upon the earth;**
- ⁹ behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the
bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.
- ¹⁰ **“Be still, then, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”**
- ¹¹ The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

SECOND READING: Colossians 1:11-20

¹¹ May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³ He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, ¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things,

whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

R Word of God, Word of Life

C Thanks be to God

GOSPEL: Luke 23:33-43 *(please stand as you are able)*

Amid scoffing and slander from those who sarcastically call him Messiah and king, Jesus reveals that to be Messiah and king is to give one's life for others. Here he uses his power to welcome a despised sinner to paradise but puts his own death into God's hands.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 23rd chapter

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

³³ When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴ [[Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."]] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵ And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" ⁴¹ And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom." ⁴³ He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

P The Gospel of the Lord

C **Praise to you O Christ.**

GOD'S WORD FOR TODAY

Pastor Mary Lou Plummer

HYMN OF THE DAY *"Praise to the Lord the Almighty"* **HYMN 858**

APOSTLES CREED *(please stand as you are able)*

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

(please stand as you are able)

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 God of healing and hope, you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things. Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts. Nourish us with the abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

RESPONSE TO PRAYERS P Hear us, O God C **Your mercy is great**
Linda (Anderson), **Tom & Alice** (Angermeier), **Bill & Sue** (Aune),
Evelyn (B), **John** (B), **Elaine** (Caelwaerts), **Mike & Rina**
(Clumpner), **Erin** (Culbertson), **Tom** (D), **Dan** (Fenrich), **Pat**
(Fenrich), **Alan** (G), **Barbara** (Hughes/Dean), **Dawn** (Jeanquart),
Charlotte (K), **Cindy** (Knapp), **Keith** (Knapp), **Myriah** (Krueger),
Kenny (Meyer), **Beth** (Pachniak), **Monika** (Perry), **David** (Plummer),
Matthew (Rocque), **Kathy** (S), **Todd** (S), **Delores** (Schuyler), **Deb**
(Ulrich), **Irene** (Thorson), **Mary** (Zirbel), **Betty, Bill, Brixanna &**
Marley, Carole & Russ, Jay, and Laurie.
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 The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with
us, ✚ be upon you now and forever.
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

"Let All Things Now Living"

HYMN 881

SENDING FORTH

P Go in peace. Spread the Good News.
C Thanks be to God!!!

POSTLUDE

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Serving in worship today (Nov 23rd)

Presiding minister: Pastor Mary Lou

Plummer

Liturgist: Jim Hanstad

Reader: Ellen Klister

Ushers: Russ & Ellen Klister

Keyboard: Janet Anderson

Serving in worship next week (Nov 30th)

Presiding minister: Pastor Mary Lou

Plummer

Reader: Cheryl Larson

Advent Candle: Marie Weber

Ushers: Dean & Cheryl Larson

Keyboard: Heidi Hintz

Readings for next week (November 30th)

Isaiah 2:1-5

*Weapons of war transformed into
instruments of peace*

Psalms 122

Romans 13:11-14

*Salvation is near; time to wake from
sleep*

Matthew 24:36-44

The sudden coming of the Son of Man

Stewardship Opportunities Nov 23-30

Today the fellowship meal is being provided by the folks whose last name begins A-K. Next week the fellowship meal will be provided by the folks whose last name ends L-Z.

Week at a glance Nov 23-30

**Monday Bulletin & Newsletter
printed 9-12**

Tuesday Quilting 9:00

Wednesday Men's Bible Study at 8

Birthdays in November

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

Wedding Anniversaries in November

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

Attendance last week: 52

The 2025 Advent Daily Devotions booklet is available both in hard copy and digital format. Written by Door and Kewaunee County clergy, the daily devotions are offered to shed light on God's plan of sending us a Messiah. The theme: *In Days of Old, In Various Ways...God Spoke*. Each devotion features a text from an Old Testament prophet, and a text that connects the prophetic text to the Messiah.

Hard copies of the booklets can be found on the table at each entrance to the sanctuary. A digital format of the booklet can be accessed at <https://dcadventdevos2025.blogspot.com/>. May the devotions add wisdom to our anticipation of Jesus' birth. Enjoy!



Secret Santa time is upon us. We are collecting money for a family in need this Christmas time. There are cans at each entrance to the sanctuary and in the fellowship area. Checks are also welcome with Secret Santa in the memo line. We are asking that the donations be made by December 7th. Thank you.



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. **NEW** there are also large print copies of the words for the hymns that we are singing. The ushers have these as well. We are seeing if this is beneficial to our worshipers. Feedback is welcome.

There is a basket in the fellowship area for receipts from Tadych’s Market Place. We ask that you bring them and place the whole receipt in the basket. They are kind enough to give us a percentage back for our projects. Unfortunately, Pick’n Save no longer has this service so there is no need to bring those receipts at this time. Dianne Eskildsen has generously agreed to tally up the receipts and bring them in. Thank you, Dianne. If you have any questions, please ask one of the ladies in WELCA.



- 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
 - 4. The current newsletter
 - 5. The Wired Word for that week. **Note this is new.** These copies will be on the table each week for you to read and contemplate.

Oct 2025						
	TOTAL					
	Oct	Budget	Variance	YTD	Budget	Variance
Offerings	4,629	7,083	(2,454)	80,780	70,830	9,950
Stain Window	15,000			15,000	0	
Total Income	19,629	8,375	(3,286)	372,346	83,750	288,596
Total Expenses	6,114	8,375	(2,261)	80,883	83,750	(2,867)