# HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH — ELCA



## Sunday, November 16th, 2025

Twenty-Third 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

## "MICHAEL ROW YOUR BOAT ASHORE" RILYNN, ELLIOTT WELCOME AND STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES CHILDREN'S CHAT

#### **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** "Come Now Is the Time to Worship"

#### Chorus

Come now is the time to worship Come now is the time to give your heart Come just as you are to worship

## Come just as you are before your God

#### Come

Verse 1

One day every tongue

Will confess You are God

One day every knee will bow

Still the greatest treasure remains (chorus)

For those who cladly choose you now

Verse 2

Willingly we choose to surrender our lives

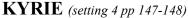
Willingly our knees will bow

With all our heart soul mind and strength

We gladly choose You now (chorus)

#### 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.





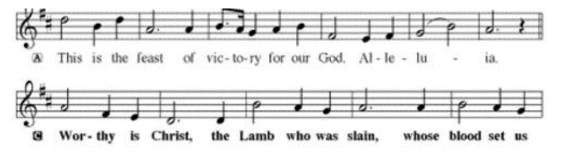


B For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.





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



men



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray. O God,
- C the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is

## temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### FIRST READING: Malachi 4:1-2a

<sup>1</sup> See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. <sup>2a</sup> But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

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

#### **PSALM: Psalm 98** (read responsively)

- <sup>1</sup> Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done marvelous things, whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.
- <sup>2</sup>O LORD, you have made known your victory, you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.
- <sup>3</sup> You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- <sup>4</sup> Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- <sup>5</sup> Sing to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.
- <sup>6</sup> With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the king, the LORD.
- <sup>7</sup> Let the sea roar, and all that fills it, the world and those who dwell therein.
- <sup>8</sup> Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to judge the earth.
- <sup>9</sup> The LORD will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

#### **SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13**

<sup>6</sup> Now we command you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from every brother or sister living irresponsibly and not according to the tradition that they received from us. <sup>7</sup> For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not irresponsible when we were with you, <sup>8</sup> and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day so that we might not burden any of you. <sup>9</sup> This was not because we do not have that right but in order to give you an example to imitate. <sup>10</sup> For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: anyone unwilling to work should not eat. <sup>11</sup> For we hear that some of you are living irresponsibly, mere busybodies, not doing any work. <sup>12</sup> Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. <sup>13</sup> Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

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

#### **GOSPEL:** Luke 21:5-19 (please stand as you are able)

As history moves toward God's fulfillment there will be frightening signs and events. Before the end, believers will draw strength from their relationship to God and will be given the words they need to testify and to endure without fear.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 21st chapter

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

<sup>5</sup> When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, <sup>6</sup> "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" <sup>8</sup> And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray, for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately."

<sup>10</sup> Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; <sup>11</sup> there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

<sup>12</sup> "But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. <sup>13</sup> This will give you an opportunity to testify. <sup>14</sup> So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, <sup>15</sup> for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. <sup>16</sup> You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. <sup>17</sup> You will be hated by all because of my name. <sup>18</sup> But not a hair of your head will perish. <sup>19</sup> By your endurance you will gain your souls "

P The Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to you O Christ.

(please be seated)

**GOD'S WORD FOR TODAY** 

Pastor David Raben

#### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

"On Bended Knee"

Verse 1

On bended knee I come
With a humble heart I come
Bowing down before Your holy throne
Lifting holy hands to You
As I pledge my love anew
I worship You in spirit
I worship You in truth
Make my life a holy praise unto You

Verse 2

On bended knee we come
With a humble heart we come
Bowing down before Your holy throne

Lifting holy hands to You As we pledge our love anew We worship You in spirit We worship you in truth Make our lives a holy praise unto You (2x)

#### **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.

#### 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), Joan (Goessel), Barbara (Hughes/Dean), Dawn (Jeanquart), Charlotte (K), Cindy (Knapp), Keith (Knapp), Judy (Krahn), Myriah (Krueger), Amie (M), 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, Chelsa, Jay, Jeff, and Laurie.

#### C 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)

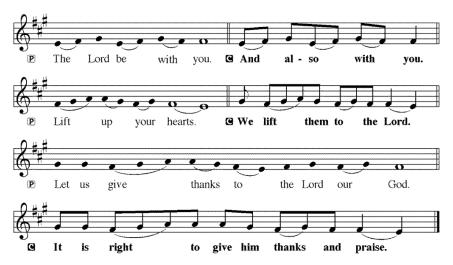
**OFFERTORY** "Let the Vineyards" (please stand) **HYMN #184** 

C Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

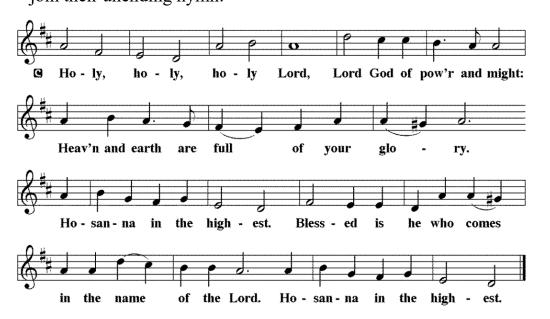
#### OFFERING PRAYER

- 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.

#### THE COMMUNION LITURGY



P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes again to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

#### 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

#### **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION** (you may be seated)

We welcome all believers in Christ to share in God's Holy meal. Please come to the front and receive the Body and Blood of Christ. Grape juice and gluten free wafers are available on the stand in the center. Children who have not received their first communion instruction are invited to come forward and receive a pastoral blessing.

<b>COMMUNION HYMN</b>	"Let Us Break Bread Together"	<b>HYMN 471</b>
	"Here Is Bread"	<b>HYMN 483</b>
	"One Bread, One Body"	<b>HYMN 496</b>

#### **COMMUNION BLESSING** (please stand)

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- P God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name.
- C Amen.

#### BLESSING

P The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you, God the Son save you,

and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead. The holy Trinity bless you + and grant you a faithful and courageous heart 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 "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" HYMN 886

#### SENDING FORTH

- P Go in peace. Share the harvest
- C Thanks be to God!!!

#### **POSTLUDE**

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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 7<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

The Salvation Army is again looking for people to help with bell ringing. The bell ringing begins November 21<sup>st</sup> and ends December 24<sup>th</sup>. There is a poster in the fellowship area with more information. They ask that you please sign up with them. This is a worthy cause in our community.

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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. <u>NEW</u> 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. 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. <u>The Wired Word</u> for that week. <u>Note this is new.</u> These copies will be on the table each week for you to read and contemplate.

This Thursday will be the last Hainesville Lunch Bunch until February. They will be meeting this Thursday at Belgium Delight at 11:30. Please let Marla Vogel know if you are planning on attending by Tuesday so that she can make the proper arrangements. Thank you.

There will be an Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service next Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at Holy Name of Mary Parish in Maplewood at 5:00PM. All are invited to attend.

Serving in worship today (Nov 16<sup>th</sup>)

Presiding minister: Pastor David Raben

Reader: Youth Ushers: Youth

Communion Assist: Dean Larson Keyboard: Janet Anderson

Serving in worship next week (Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>)

Presiding minister: Pastor Mary Lou

Plummer

Reader: Ellen Klister

Ushers: Ellen & Russ Klister

Keyboard: Heidi Hintz

Readings for next week (November 23<sup>rd</sup>)

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Coming of the shepherd and righteous Branch who will execute justice

Psalm 46

Colossians 1:11-20

Hymn to Christ, firstborn of all creation; peace through his blood

Luke 23:33-43

Jesus is crucified between two thieves: you will be with me in Paradise

#### **Stewardship Opportunities Nov 16-23**

Today the fellowship meal today is being provided by the Church Council. Next week the fellowship meal will be provided by the folks whose last name begins A-K.

#### Week at a glance Nov 16-23

Monday Church Council at 6:00

#### **Tuesday WELCA at Noon**

Thank offerings will be collected

Wednesday Men's Bible Study at 8

Thursday Hainesville Lunch Bunch at

#### 11:30 at Belgium Delight

Please let Marla know by Tues if attending

### **Thursday Grief Support Group at**

6:00

#### Friday 9-12

Office hours for Lana

Attendance last week: 45

#### **Birthdays in November**

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

#### **Wedding Anniversaries in November**

| Nov 4 <sup>th</sup>  | Kim & Greg Jacobson    |
|----------------------|------------------------|
| Nov 10 <sup>th</sup> | Alice & Tom Angermeier |
| Nov 27 <sup>th</sup> | Ellen & Russ Klister   |