# **FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH**

All Saints' Day November 3, 2024 Rev. Patrick Poock



Saints Are Blessed in the Eternal Presence of Christ

"A great multitude from all tribes and peoples and languages," cry out "salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne" (Rev. 7:9–17). Faith-filled saints from every place and time with unified voices eternally magnify the Lamb of God. As His beloved children, we too, "shall see him as he is" (1 John 3:1–3). Joined with the throng of angels and a myriad of saints, we shall "serve him day and night in his temple" (Rev. 7:9–17). In our earthly tension vacillating between saint and sinner, faith and doubt, sacred and profane, we earnestly seek Jesus to calm our fears, comfort our spirits, and forgive our sins. The Holy Spirit, through faith in Christ propels us forward, fortifying us in Word and Sacrament, to our eternal home. In the midst of our constant struggle as believers, we need to be blessed. And so we are. The poor in spirit, the meek, the hungry, the thirsty, the merciful, the pure, and the persecuted are all blessed and we will most certainly inherit the kingdom of heaven (Matt. 5:1–12).

THE DIVINE SERVICE is celebrated each Sunday at 8:00 am and 10:30 am and Wednesday at 5:00 pm. Bible Class is held on Sunday at 9:15 am and Wednesday at 3:30 pm and 6:30 pm.

**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH** is a Christological, Scriptural, Confessional and Liturgical member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. We believe that God has called us to believe, teach and confess that Christ was crucified for our sins and we receive salvation by faith, which is a gift of God through His grace given to us in our baptism, as is revealed in the Holy Bible which is the inspired and inerrant Word of God. In response to His gift of salvation we eagerly desire to do good works out of thanksgiving and praise to the Triune God.

#### **COMMUNION STATEMENT**

Because we take the Word of God seriously and we love our visitors, we ask that if you are not a member of Faith Lutheran or another LCMS church, please refrain from taking communion until you have talked with Pastor Poock. In the meantime, we would love to have you participate by coming forward and receiving a blessing.

Communion offers the immense blessing of forgiveness of our sins. However, it can be taken to one's judgment if not properly understood. 1 Cor 11:27,29 says, "Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the LORD in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the LORD...For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself."

We teach that a person receives the real Body and the real Blood of Jesus Christ "in, with and under the bread and wine." It is not symbolic or merely a spiritual presence.

#### WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

We rejoice to have you with us today. The liturgy is found in the Lutheran Service Book in the rack in front of you. You may place this bulletin in the back of your hymnal to help you follow along with the order of service. The Propers for the day are printed within the bulletin. Please read the message in this bulletin concerning reception of Holy Communion at our church.

# FOURTH QUARTER MISSION PROJECT

The fourth quarter Elder mission project is **Bridging Freedom**, a Tampa, Florida rehab for teens involved in Human trafficking. Their mission is to combat minor sex-trafficking by bringing restoration to those rescued and victim prevention to those we reach with our message. They provide a therapeutic safe home campus community providing long term, comprehensive care to these victims in a secure environment. They educate the community and work with partnering organizations to increase awareness about this horrendous issue. Bridging Freedom is, and will continue to be, a community of God loving people dedicated to sectoring the broken spirits of sex trafficking victims.

# **Weekly Memory Verse**

1 Corinthians 15:22

For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

#### 725 CHILDREN OF THE HEAVENLY FATHER



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#### + CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

#### **INVOCATION**

- P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

**EXHORTATION** 184

- Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- $[\mathbf{P}]$ Our help is in the name of the Lord,

- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

CONFESSION OF SINS LSB 184

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

ABSOLUTION LSB 185

- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the 

  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT Psalm 31:1, 3, 5; antiphon: Revelation 7:14b

Pastor: These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

Cong: They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Pastor: In you, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame;

Cong: in your righteousness deliver me.

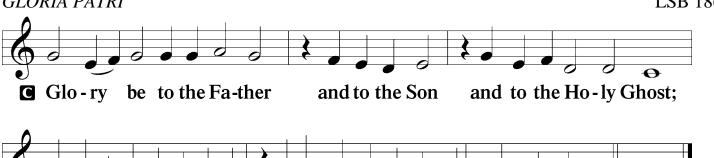
Pastor: For you are my rock and my fortress;

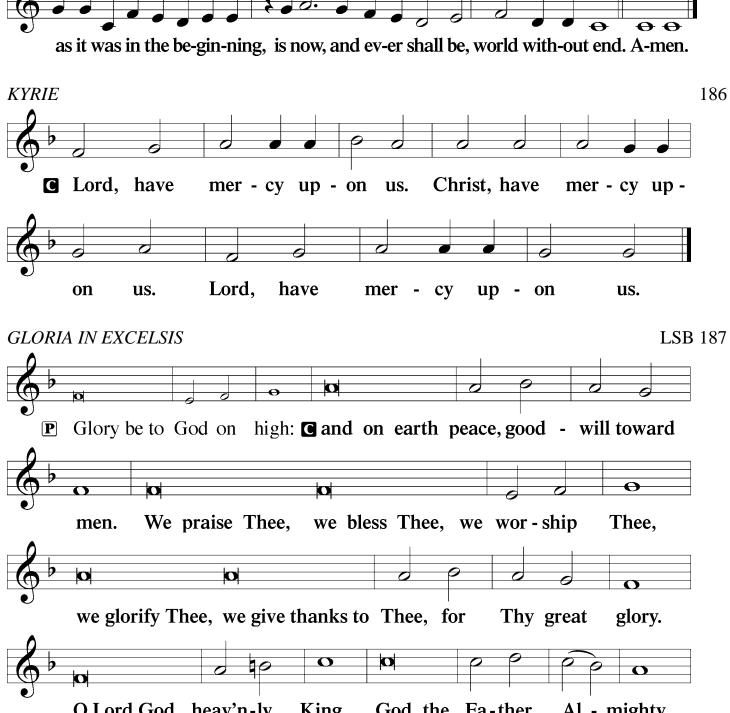
Cong: and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me.

Pastor: Into your hand I commit my spirit;

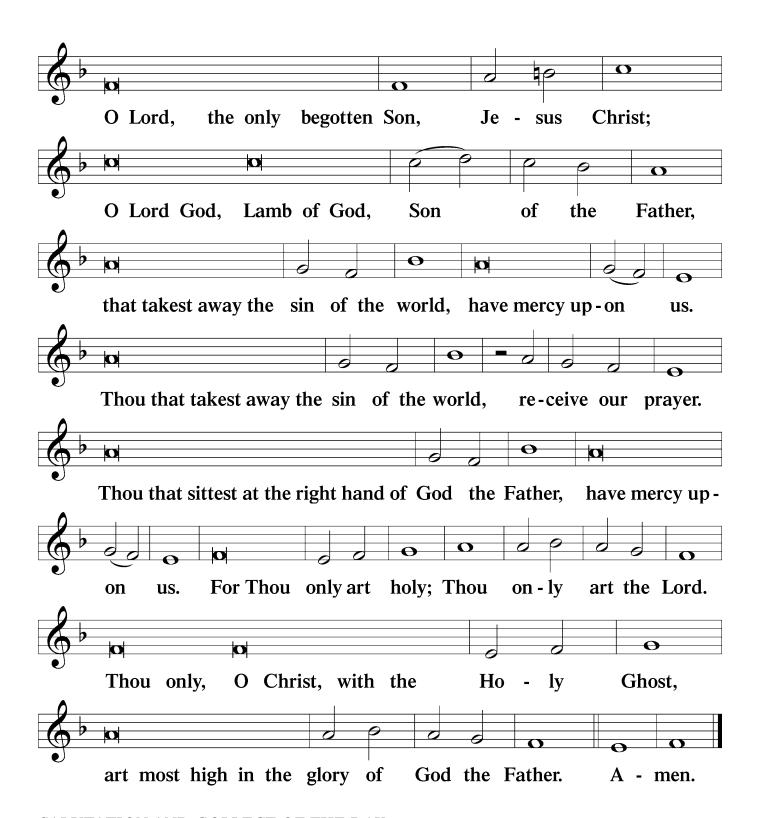
Cong: you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

GLORIA PATRI LSB 186





O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



#### SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.



# **P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



FIRST READING Revelation 7:2–17

<sup>2</sup>Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, <sup>3</sup>saying, "Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads." <sup>4</sup>And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:

<sup>5</sup>12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed,

12,000 from the tribe of Reuben,

12,000 from the tribe of Gad,

<sup>6</sup>12,000 from the tribe of Asher,

12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali,

12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,

<sup>7</sup>12,000 from the tribe of Simeon,

12,000 from the tribe of Levi,

12,000 from the tribe of Issachar,

812,000 from the tribe of Zebulun,

12,000 from the tribe of Joseph,

12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, <sup>10</sup>and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" <sup>11</sup>And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and

they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" <sup>14</sup>I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

15"Therefore they are before the throne of God,
and serve him day and night in his temple;
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.
16They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;

the sun shall not strike them,

nor any scorching heat.

<sup>17</sup>For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE 1 John 3:1–3

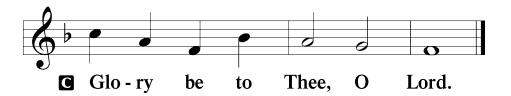
<sup>1</sup>See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.



GOSPEL Matthew 5:1–12

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



<sup>1</sup>Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

- <sup>2</sup>And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:
- <sup>3</sup>"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- 4"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
- <sup>5</sup>"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.
- 6"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.
- <sup>7</sup>"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.
- 8"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
- <sup>9</sup>"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.
- <sup>10</sup>"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup>"Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



#### NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of His Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light,

very God of very God,

begotten, not made,

being of one substance with the Father,

by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary

and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

# And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life + of the world to come. Amen.



- 5 And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,
  Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
  And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
  Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 6 The golden evening brightens in the west; Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest; Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

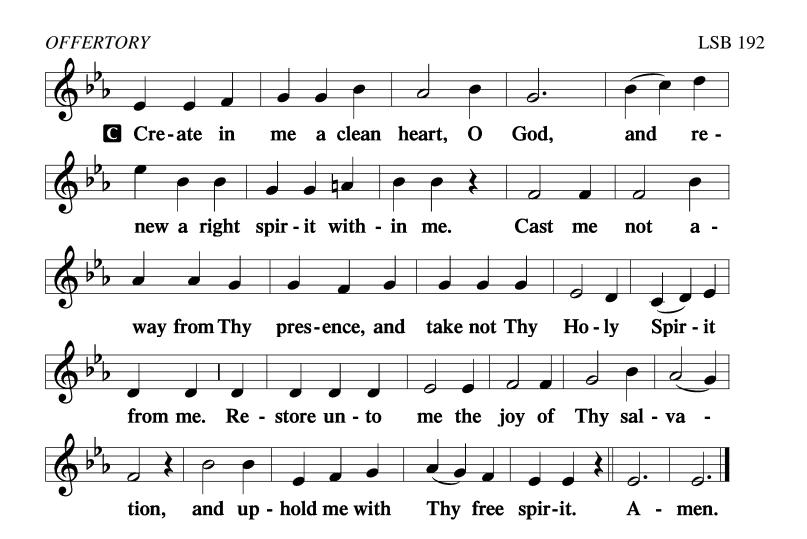
- 7 But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day: The saints triumphant rise in bright array; The King of Glory passes on His way. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- △ 8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

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SERMON

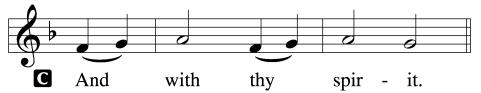
# PRAYER OF THE CHURCH



#### + SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE LSB 194

**P** The Lord be with you.



P Lift up your hearts.



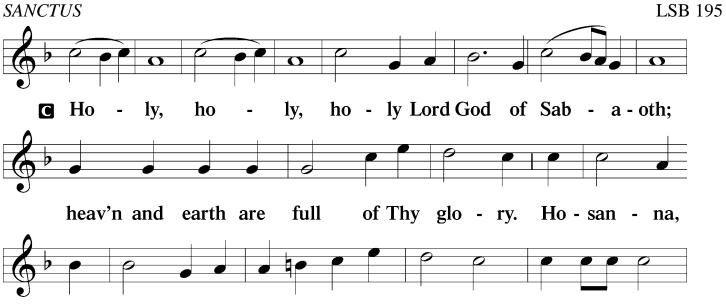
P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



### PROPER PREFACE (ABBREVIATED)

LSB 194

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER 196

P Our Father who art in heaven,

hallowed be Thy name,

Thy kingdom come,

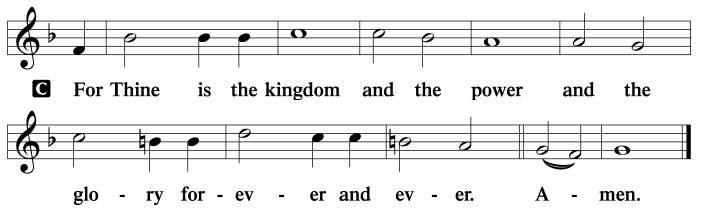
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;

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.



#### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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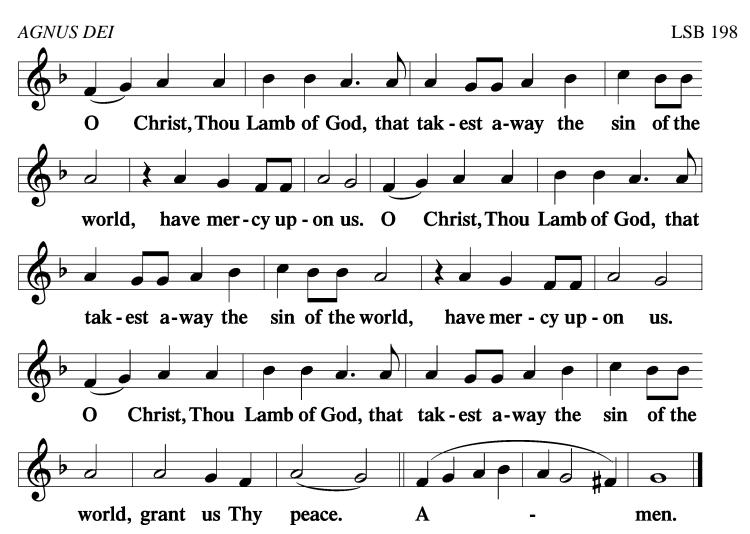
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI LSB 197

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.





#### 622 LORD JESUS CHRIST, YOU HAVE PREPARED



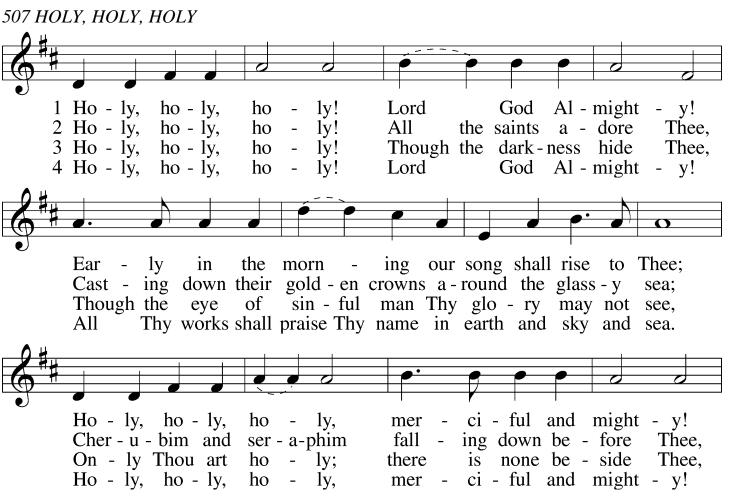
5 Though reason cannot understand, Yet faith this truth embraces: Your body, Lord, is even now At once in many places. I leave to You how this can be; Your Word alone suffices me; I trust its truth unfailing.

- 6 Lord, I believe what You have said;
  Help me when doubts assail me.
  Remember that I am but dust,
  And let my faith not fail me.
  Your supper in this vale of tears
  Refreshes me and stills my fears
  And is my priceless treasure.
- 7 Grant that we worthily receive
  Your supper, Lord, our Savior,
  And, truly grieving for our sins,
  May prove by our behavior
  That we are thankful for Your grace
  And day by day may run our race,
  In holiness increasing.
- 8 For Your consoling supper, Lord,
  Be praised throughout all ages!
  Preserve it, for in ev'ry place
  The world against it rages.
  Grant that this sacrament may be
  A blessèd comfort unto me
  When living and when dying.

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God in three per sons, Which wert and and art fect in in Per pow'r, God three in per sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty! ev - er - more shalt be. love, and pu ri - ty. bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

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#### 733 O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST



help God, our past, Our hope in a - ges for years Thy throne Thy - der the shad - ow of saints have dwelt se - cure: Be - fore the hills in or - der stood Or earth re - ceived her frame, sight Are thou-sand a - ges in Thy like an eve - ning gone,

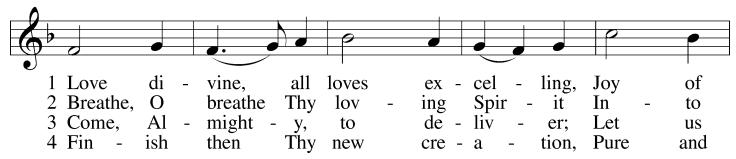


shel - ter from the storm-y blast, And Our e - ter - nal home: our Suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, And de - fense is our sure. From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same. the watch that ends the night Be - fore the Short as ris - ing sun.

- 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
  - Soon bears us all away;
  - We fly forgotten as a dream
    - Dies at the op'ning day.
- 6 O God, our help in ages past,
  - Our hope for years to come,
  - Be Thou our guard while troubles last
    - And our eternal home!

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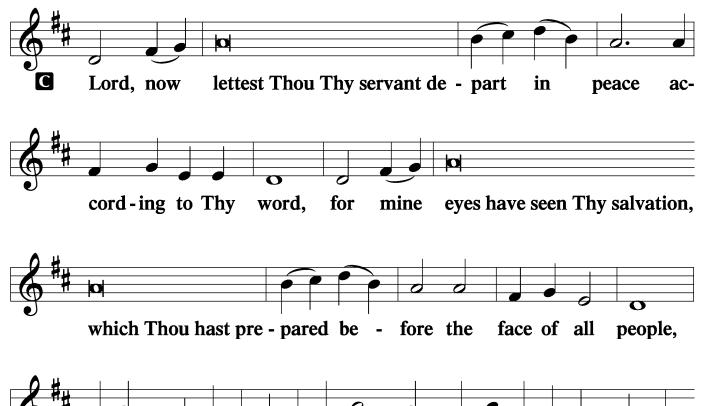
#### 700 LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING

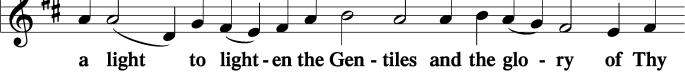




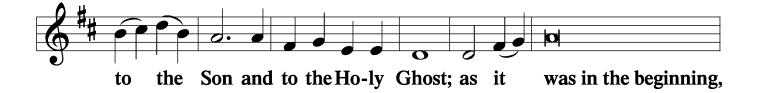
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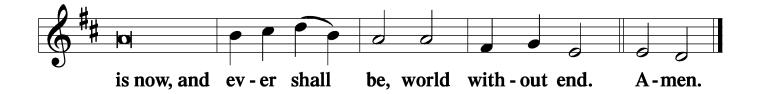
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THANKSGIVING 200



#### POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



SALUTATION 201

**P** The Lord be with you.



BENEDICAMUS 202

**P** Bless we the Lord.



BENEDICTION 202

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and 

→ give you peace.



### 717 ETERNAL FATHER, STRONG TO SAVE



3a Most Holy Spirit, who didst brood
Upon the chaos dark and rude,
And bid its angry tumult cease,
And give, for wild confusion, peace:
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea.

4 O Trinity of love and pow'r,

Our people shield in danger's hour;

From rock and tempest, fire and foe,

Protect them wheresoe'er they go;

Thus evermore shall rise to Thee

Glad praise from air and land and sea.

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#### Rev. Patrick Poock Organist: Lillian Boettcher

#### THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES AT FAITH:

## **Happy Birthday**

Jean Roehrs 3<sup>rd</sup>
Annette Schander 3<sup>rd</sup>
Stan Zygowica 5<sup>th</sup>
Gary Bonadurer 6<sup>th</sup>
Normal Grotelueschen 6<sup>th</sup>
Margi Krewin 6<sup>th</sup>
Dorothy Fredrick 7<sup>th</sup>
Hilde Srubenas 7<sup>th</sup>
Arlene Gasper 7<sup>th</sup>
Tom Kaczmarek 9<sup>th</sup>
Brad Tietelbaum 9th

# Happy Anniversary

None this week

# THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES AT FAITH:

**Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>** 8:00 am Divine Service

9:15 am Bible Study 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Divine Service No Adult Catechism

# Monday, November 4th

6:30 pm Griefshare

# Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>

9:15 Elder's Meeting at Popi's

# Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>

3:30 pm Bible Study 5:00 pm Divine Service 6:30 pm Bible Study

# Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup>

6:30 pm Handbell Choir

# Friday, November 8th

LWML Meeting 10:00 am

# **Looking Ahead**

Sunday, November 10th 8:00 & 10:30 am Divine Service

9:15 am Bible Study9:15 am Sunday School12:15 pm Adult Catechism2:00 pm Griefshare Surviving the Holidays