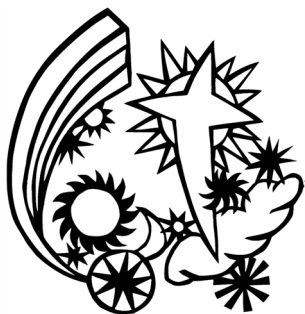




23rd Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am - November 16, 2025

Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Messiah

We are a community of grace where we live out Jesus' commandment to love God with our whole heart and to love our neighbors as ourselves. We also seek to be a welcoming community for all people. This includes people of every race, ability, sexual orientation and gender identity, ethnic background, economic grouping, religious affiliation, and political persuasion. We do this simply because God created all people in God's own image and Christ Jesus came so all people might have abundant life. We may not always be perfect, but this is our intention--all are welcome!

GATHERING HYMN

#525 "You Are Holy"

1*



Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer
You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more



än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.



Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here



väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

2



Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,



du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!

The presiding minister will read the sections in plain text. **You are invited to read the bold portions.**



Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!

ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Amen.

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

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.

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.

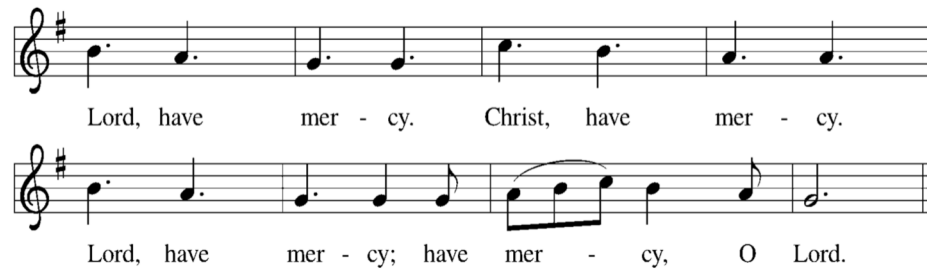
Amen.

GREETING

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

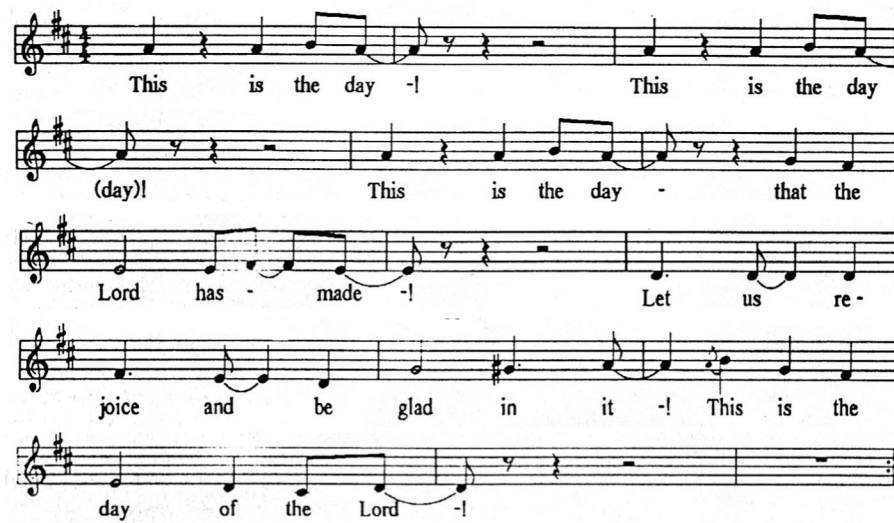
KYRIE

#154 "Kyrie"



HYMN OF PRAISE

“This is the Day”



PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, 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

¹ 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. ^{2a} But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Please
be seated

⁶ 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. ⁷ For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not irresponsible when we were with you, ⁸ 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. ⁹ This was not because we do not have that right but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹ For we hear that some of you are living irresponsibly, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹² Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"Jazz Alleluia"

Please
stand as
you are
comfort-
able in
body or
in spirit.

1 Al - le-luia, A-men! Let us hear the Word of the

7 Lord. Sing it o-ver a - gain. Let us

13 hear the Word of the Lord! Shout for joy, let the

19 earth re - joice. Sing to-ge-ther with one great voice!

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GOSPEL

Luke 21:5-19

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁵ When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, ⁶ "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."

⁷ They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" ⁸ 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.

⁹ "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." ¹⁰ Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹ there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

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

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ!

Please be
seated

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

ACS #902 "Come Now, O God"



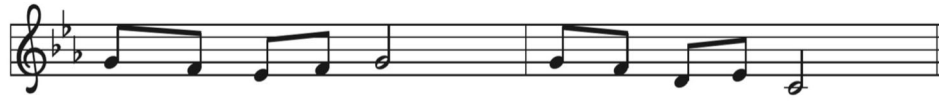
1 Come now, O God, when our love is for-saken.
2 Come, when we squander the freedom you gave us.
3 Come, put an end to our self-serving madness.



Come, when our bed-rock of faith has been shaken.
Come, break the systems of sin that enslave us.
Come, while the world is enshrouded in sadness.



Come, when our deepest hopes are mistaken.
Come, though we wonder if you can still save us.
Come, turn the tears of our mourning to gladness.



Come, Em - man - u - el.

Come, Em - man - u - el.

Please
stand as
you are
comfort-
able in
body or
spirit.

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 OF INTERCESSION

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

God of roots and branches, defend the leaders of your church as they proclaim the gospel using discernment, wisdom, and brave testimony. Keep all the baptized on righteous paths in response to Christ's call. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of roaring seas, in a world of earthquake, famine, and plague, use your mighty power to nurture the land and all that lives upon it. Restore peoples and places experiencing natural disasters. Strengthen organizations who provide aid to any in crisis. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of victory, among quests for power, guide those in government, courts, law enforcement agencies, and the military. Turn them from war and violence to actions of care that build up the common good. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of healing, where injustice and exploitation result in populations that are marginalized or underserved, accompany those abandoned by friends, hurt by family, and harmed by violence or oppression. Care for all who are ill, anxious, or in pain of any kind, especially... Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of new songs, in a congregation of faithful believers, energize us for compassionate service and delight us through worship and inspired prayer. Encourage your people in building equitable community where all are valued. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of every generation, we remember the saints with steadfast love and faithfulness. Confident in Christ's victory over death, may we be inspired by the example of the faithful. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Please be
seated

SPECIAL MUSIC

OFFERING PRAYER

Please stand
as you are
comfortable
in body or
spirit.

Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right —

our joy and our calling—

... we lift our hearts and join the ancient hymn:

5 Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord,

9 God of Power and might.

13 Hea - ven and earth are full of your glory, Ho -

17 sa - na in the High - est.

21 Bles-sed is he who comes in the name, the

25 name of the Lord! Ho -

29 san-na, Ho - san-na, Ho - san-na, Ho - san-na. Ho -

san - na in the High - est.

...So we remember.

We remember his life, his death, his rising from the grave.

We proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

... Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all glory and honor are yours,

now and forever. **Amen.**

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.

COMMUNION HYMNS

“Lamb of God”

Please be seated.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins
of the world, have mer - cy
on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the
world, have mer - cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

#1023 ACS “God Alone Be Praised”

#1069 ACS “God Bestows on Every Sense”

BENEDICTION

Please stand
as you are
comfortable in
body or spirit.

Benediction:
*God blesses us
and sends us in
mission to the
world.*

Go forth into the world in peace. Be of good courage. Hold fast that which is good. Render to no one evil for evil. Strengthen the fainthearted. Support the weak. Help the afflicted. Show love to everyone. Love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

"The Earth Is Yours" by Gungor

VERSE 1

♩ = 136 D A Bm G

1. Your voice, it thun - ders, the oaks start twist - ing; The for - est sounds with ce - dars break - ing.

8 D/G D A/C# Bm G/B

The wa - ters see You and start their writh - ing; From the depths a song is ris - ing.

PRE-CHORUS 1 **CHORUS 1**

16 D/G A G D A/C# Bm

Now it's ris - ing from the ground. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord.

26 G D F#m7 Bm G

The earth is Yours, and sing - ing: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord." The earth is Yours,

VERSE 2

36 N.C. D D/A F#m7 Bm

the earth is Yours. 2. Your voice, it thun - ders, the ground is shak - ing; The might -

44 G A/G G/A D F#m7

y moun - tains now are trem - bl - ing. Cre - a - tion sees You and starts com - pos - ing;

PRE-CHORUS 2

51 Bm G G/B A G

The fields and trees, they start re - joic - ing. And now it's ris - ing from the ground.

59 A G/B A/C# Gm/Bb Gm/D Gm/A Gm

Now it's ris - ing from the ground. Hear us cry - ing out. Hear us cry - ing out.

D A/C# Bm G D F#m7

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. The earth is Yours, and sing - ing: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. The earth is Yours, and sing - ing: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord."

ho - ly Lord." The earth is Yours, and sing - ing: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord."

The earth is Yours, the earth is Yours, the earth is Yours. ___

SENDING

Go in peace. Share the harvest.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Welcome to Messiah Lutheran Church



Children belong in worship!

Worship kits and a nursery space is available. God rejoices in the joyful noise of children and so do we!



God calls us to welcome everyone!

Messiah seeks to be a welcoming community and to share the love of God with our neighbors. If you are new, please introduce yourself to our pastors.



Worship should be accessible!

Hearing devices (and T-Coil) and large print bulletins are available. We invite you to sit or stand as you are comfortable. All gender and family restroom facilities are available on the first level, please see signs in the Narthex.



All are welcome at Jesus' table!

During communion grape juice and gluten-free options are available. Those not wishing to commune may come forward for a blessing. Those not able to come forward may receive communion in their pew, please notify the usher.



God calls us to pray!

Private prayer requests may be made by writing them on the back of the Welcome Card. If you would like to be added to the prayer list or receive a pastoral care visit, please contact the church office.

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Liturgists:	Pr. Molly Hunter
Assisting Minister:	Molly Luty
Reader:	Mark Paulsen
Ushers:	Brooklyn Fortin Jean Reynolds
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