Sunday, November 22, 2026 – 8:30 a.m. Online Bulletin

PRELUDE **“Preludium, Fugue and Cicona” D. Buxtehude, organ**

WELCOME (mention yellow prayer cards)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God,
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.

☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy.
You are forgiven. Blessed are you.
Amen.

OPENING HYMN “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!”

1 All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem
and crown him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem
and crown him Lord of all.

2 O seed of Israel's chosen race
now ransomed from the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace
and crown him Lord of all.
Hail him who saves you by his grace
and crown him Lord of all.

3 Hail him, you heirs of David's line,
whom David Lord did call
the God incarnate, man divine
and crown him Lord of all.
The God Incarnate, man divine
and crown him Lord of all.

4 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
the wormwood and the gall,
go spread your trophies at his feet
and crown him Lord of all.
Go spread your trophies at his feet
and crown him Lord of all.

5 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe
on this terrestrial ball
to him all majesty ascribe
and crown him Lord of all.
To him all majesty ascribe
and crown him Lord of all.

6 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
we at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song
and crown him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song
and crown him Lord of all.

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.

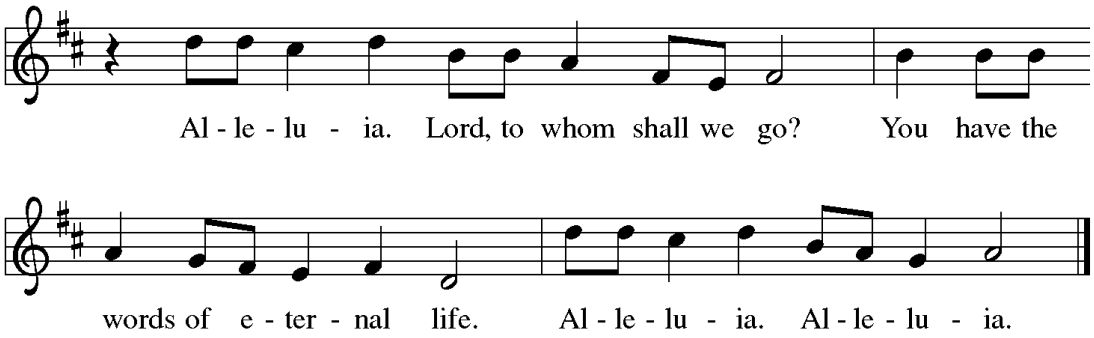
PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together:
O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service, and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE — Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

ALLELUIA VERSE



SCRIPTURE:

The holy gospel according to St. Matthew, the 25th chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 25:31-46

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON — "The Wonderful Reign of God: Compassion Rules!" Pastor Frank Janzow

SERMON SONG — "You Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd"

1 You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shepherd.
You, Lord, are both prince and slave.
You, peacemaker and sword-bringer
of the way you took and gave.
You, the everlasting instant;
you, whom we both scorn and crave.

2 Clothed in light upon the mountain,
stripped of might upon the cross,
shining in eternal glory,
beggared by a soldier's toss,
you, the everlasting instant;
you, who are both gift and cost.

3 You, who walk each day beside us,
sit in power at God's side.
You, who preach a way that's narrow,
have a love that reaches wide.
You, the everlasting instant;
you, who are our pilgrim guide.

4 Worthy is our earthly Jesus!
Worthy is our cosmic Christ!
Worthy your defeat and vict'ry;
worthy still your peace and strife.
You, the everlasting instant;
you, who are our death and life.

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 THE PEOPLE

God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING ANTHEM — "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" JS Bach, choir

Offering is an act of worship – giving back to God in response to the blessings, grace, and love received.
Offering may be given by:
- *Going to our website makedisciples.com and clicking on "Ways to Give"*
- *Scanning this QR code.*
- *Mailing to St. John's Lutheran, 20275 Davidson Road, Brookfield, WI 53045*

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HOLY COMMUNION

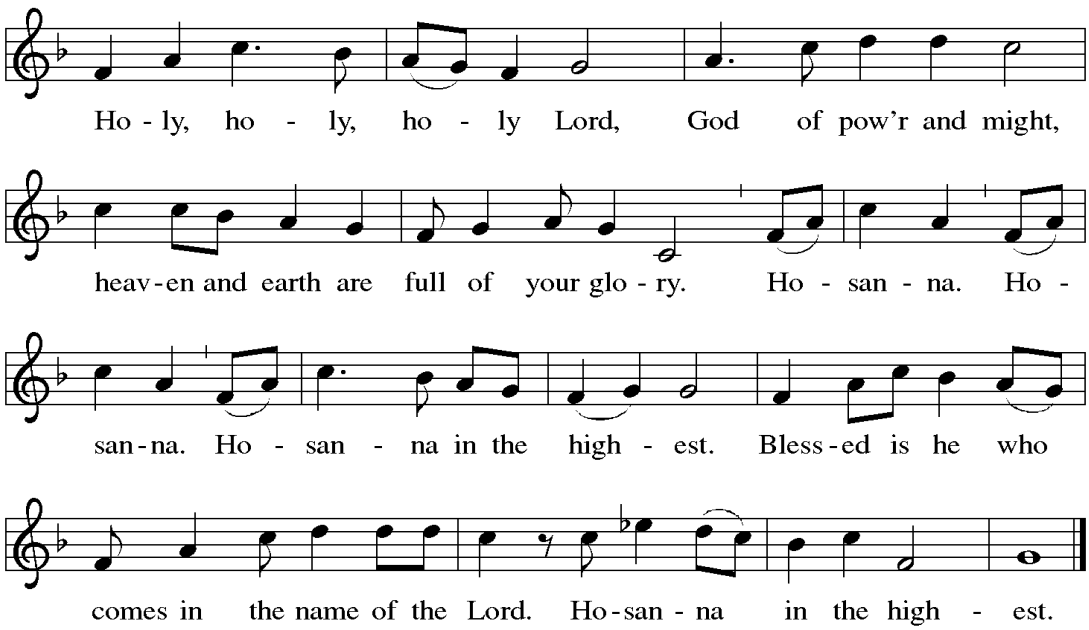
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

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 indeed right, our duty and our joy, …
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy

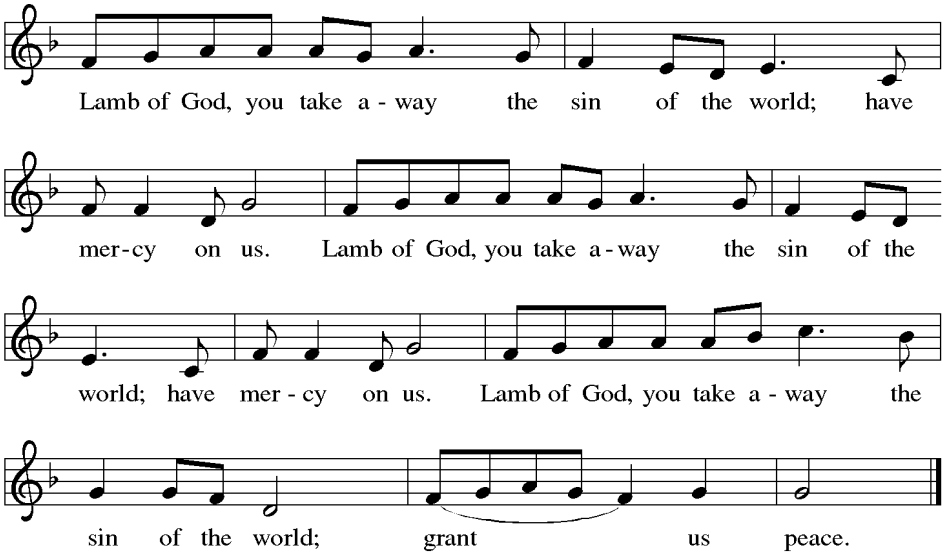


Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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.

Lamb of God



Distribution

"For the Fruit of All Creation"

Please self-serve your communion.
Whatever you have to represent the bread and wine is acceptable.

Communion Blessing and Prayer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(See last page)

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG

"Rejoice, for Christ is King"

1 Rejoice, for Christ is king!
Your Lord and king adore;
rejoice, give thanks, and sing,
and triumph evermore:

Refrain
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

2 Our Savior Jesus reigns,
the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains,
he took his seat above: *Refrain*

3 His kingdom cannot fail;
he rules o'er earth and heav'n;
the keys of death and hell
are to our Jesus giv'n: *Refrain*

4 He sits at God's right hand
till all his foes submit
and bow to his command
and fall beneath his feet: *Refrain*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Following Jesus, making disciples, serving the world.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE "God of Grace and God of Glory" Paul Manz, organ

Today's Worship Team:

Pastor:	Pr. Frank Janzow
Assisting Minister:	Brent Logan
Organist/Choir Director:	Brian Eggers
Choir:	Lisa Weiss-Cornelius, accompanist
Lector:	Klaudia Hollander
Ushers:	Roy Osmon, Jim Truax
Communion Set Up:	Jennifer Cranfill
Communion Server:	Karen Bulgerin, Sue Hamman, Paul Bulgerin
Greeters:	Sue Keith, Barb Lange
AV:	Phil Peters
Coffee Host:	Kyle and Jeff Weyer

Announcements

Worshiping

Altar Flowers

Today's altar flowers are provided by Alex and Brae Vlaj in honor of Evelyn's baptism.

Please use the signups on the website to provide altar flowers to honor a loved one or to celebrate an event. Cost of the arrangements is $50.

Poinsettias

Christmas is the perfect time to remember our loved ones. You have an opportunity to honor someone with a tribute by providing a poinsettia for the sanctuary.

Poinsettias are available in various sizes and colors. To order your poinsettia(s), scan this QR code or go to our website and click on Sign Up Genius and select the poinsettia tab.

POINSETTIAS 2026

Orders will be accepted through Sunday, December 6.

Summer Worship Survey

As promised, a survey has been prepared to gather feedback on having one worship service this past summer. The survey link is on our website by clicking this picture:



Paper copies of the survey are available in the gathering space. Please take a moment to complete this short survey. Your opinion matters.

Thanksgiving Gratitude Gathering

The third annual Gratitude Gathering will be held on Thanksgiving Eve, November 25, after the 6:30 p.m. worship service. Pie will be served ~ a tasty treat!

Please sign up (in the gathering space) to bring a pie to share with those who gather to offer thanks, and share fellowship.

On the Calendar

Nov 22	Meet and Greet and Special Meeting
Nov 25	Thanksgiving Eve worship and pie social
Dec 4	Advent Fest
Dec 13	"Let Heaven and Nature Sing" (10:00a)
Dec 24	Christmas Eve worship (2:00p & 4:00p)

To see all the current announcements, subscribe to our weekly Happenings email via our website.

Serving and Connecting

Meet and Greet – Special Congregational Meeting



The council has scheduled a time to meet the pastor candidate. This is a time to meet the candidate, ask questions, and vote to accept or deny the candidate. Are you interested in meeting the potential new pastor? Join us on November 22 at noon. Following the Meet and Greet and a time of discussion, voting members present will vote to extend a letter of call to the candidate or not.

Save the date for Advent Fest

Celebrate Advent - the time of preparing and waiting for Christmas - with a light meal, short worship, decorating, and a gingerbread house competition on **December 4**. Fun for all ages! Bring a friend!



"Let Heaven and Nature Sing"

Our annual Advent and Christmas Music Festival is scheduled for Sunday, December 13 at 10:00 a.m. "Let Heaven and Nature Sing" as we celebrate the season. Invite a friend!

