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

PRELUDE

“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring” J.S. Bach, organ
“Come, Let Us Worship God” KOTK

WELCOME

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 often we mistrust your promise to come
in your time, and then fail to prepare for your coming.
We can let worldly agendas overwhelm us and hectic busyness
crowd you out, and make us inattentive to your presence,
and less able to sense your kingdom among us. Forgive us, Lord;
rouse us from sleep, and prepare us to fully receive your joy.

☩ Jesus, reigns with glorious love; his mercy never ends.
You are forgiven and beloved. Open your hearts. Welcome his grace.
Amen.

OPENING HYMN

“Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand”

1 Oh, happy day when we shall stand
amid the heav'nly throng;
and sing with hosts from ev'ry land
the new celestial song,
the new celestial song.

2 Oh, blessed day when Christ shall come
and show himself as Lord,
and thousands meet in their new home
which Jesus has prepared,
which Jesus has prepared.

3 Oh, what a mighty rushing flood
of joy and love and peace
will roll down over us with good
and blessedness and grace,
and blessedness and grace.

4 O Lord, your grace is ev'rything;
your love has made us free
to stand among the saints and sing
the glory that we see,
the glory that we see.

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

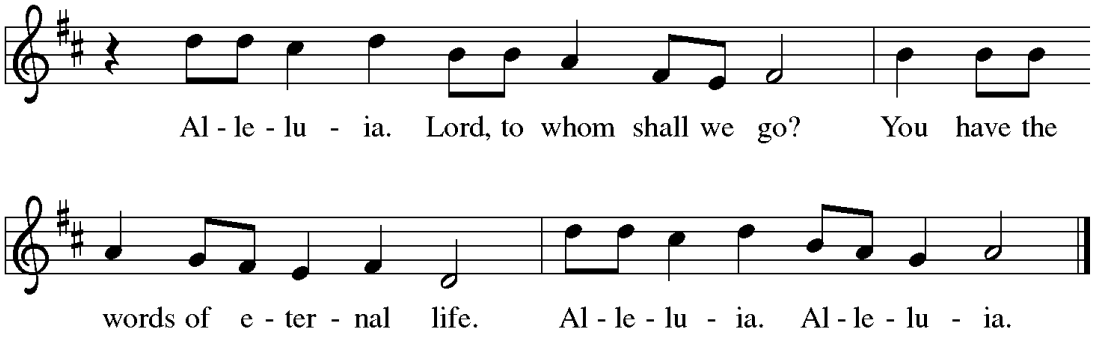
Let us pray together:
O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE **Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25**
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

ANTHEM **“Give Me Oil in My Lamp” KOTK**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE **(Stephanie)**

ALLELUIA VERSE



SCRIPTURE:

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

Matthew 25:1-13

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

SERMON **“The Wonderful Reign of God: Consciousness Rules!”**
Pastor Frank Janzow

SERMON SONG “Keep Your Lamps Trimmed”

1 Keep your lamps trimmed and burning,
keep your lamps trimmed and burning,
keep your lamps trimmed and burning,
for this work's almost done. *Refrain*

Refrain
Children, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary,
for this work's almost done.

2 Darker midnight lies before us,
darker midnight lies before us,
darker midnight lies before us,
for this work's almost done. *Refrain*

3 Lo, the morning soon is breaking,
lo, the morning soon is breaking,
lo, the morning soon is breaking,
for this work's almost done. *Refrain*

4 Keep your lamps trimmed and burning,
keep your lamps trimmed and burning,
keep your lamps trimmed and burning,
for this work's almost done. *Refrain*

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

BLESSING OF STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT CARDS

OFFERING ANTHEM "All the World" KOTK

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*

Scan to Give

HOLY COMMUNION

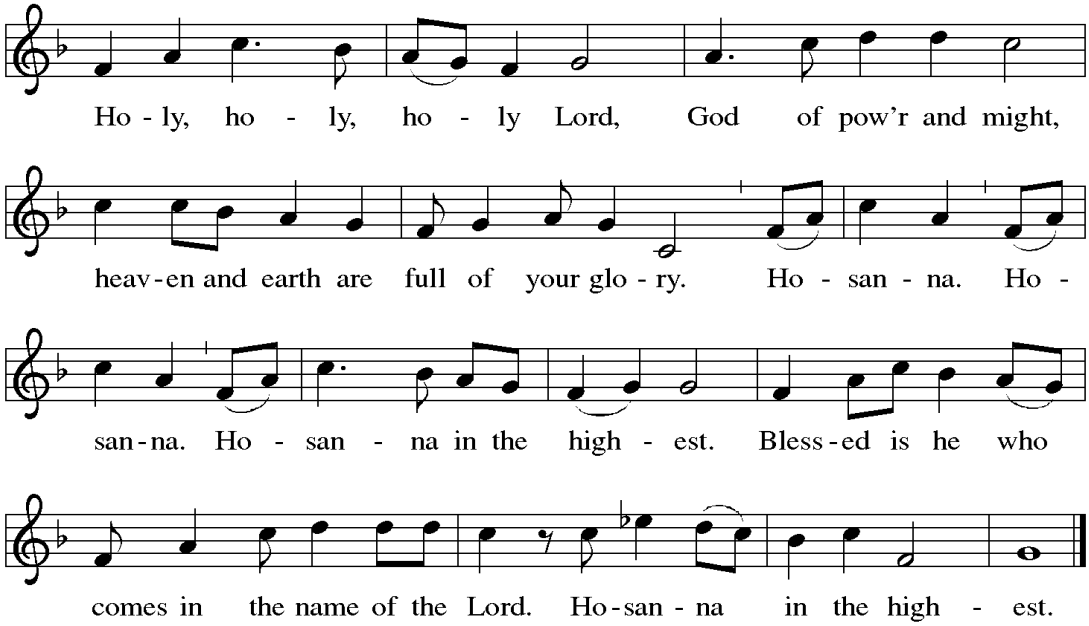
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

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

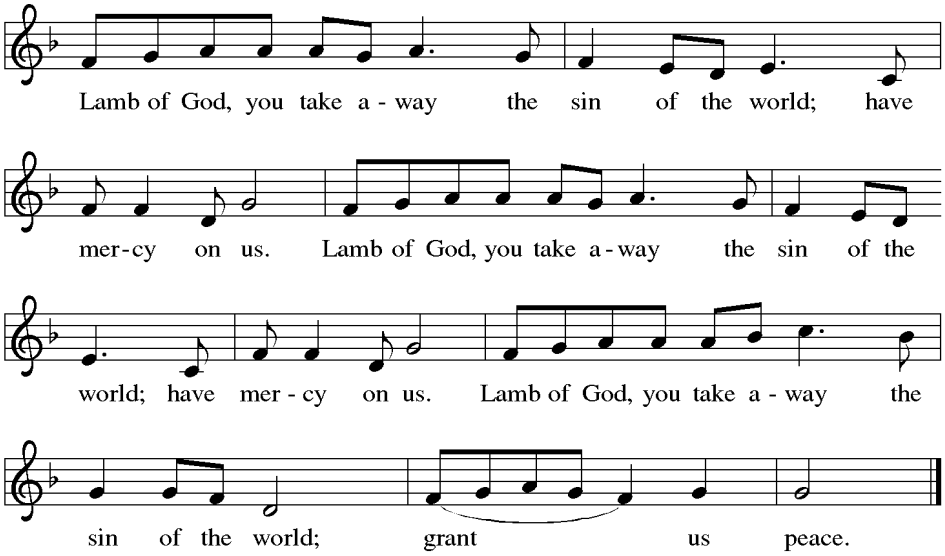


Words of Institution

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 "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"

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 "Soon and Very Soon"

1 Soon and very soon
we are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon
We are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon
We are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah,
we're goin' to see the King!
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah

2 No more cryin' there,
we are goin' to see the King,
No more cryin' there,
We are goin' to see the King,
No more cryin' there,
We are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah,
we're goin' to see the King!
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah

3 No more dyin' there,
we are goin' to see the King,
No more dyin' there,
We are goin' to see the King,
No more dyin' there,
We are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah,
we're goin' to see the King!
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah

4 Soon and very soon
we are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon
We are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon
We are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah,
we're goin' to see the King!
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE "Hymn to Joy" Beethoven, organ

Today's Worship Team:

Pastor:	Pr. Frank Janzow
Assisting Minister:	Bruce Campbell
Organist/Pianist:	Jill Dahlgren
KOTK:	Lisa Weiss-Cornelius, director; Lana DeCoto, preschool director
Lector:	Brian Cranfill
Communion Set Up:	Jennifer Cranfill
Communion Server:	Kathy Davis, Paul Bulgerin, Karen Bulgerin
Greeters:	Anna Douglas, Carrie Peters, Jude Peters, Huxley Peters
AV:	Penny Holt, John Roth
Coffee Host:	Sara Everts

Announcements

Worshiping

Altar Flowers

Today's altar flowers are provided by Bill and Kathy Davis in honor of their 57th wedding anniversary.

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.



Orders will be accepted through Sunday, December 6.

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.

Growing

Pray Without Ceasing

All are welcome to join in an hour of prayer for our world, our country, our community, our church, and each other, led by Pastor Jim Holmberg. on **November 10** at 5:00 p.m.

On the Calendar

Nov 8	First Communion Class and Bread Baking
Nov 10	Pray Without Ceasing (5:00p)
Nov 12	Bazaar Planning (5:30p)
Nov 25	Thanksgiving Eve worship and pie social
Dec 4	Advent Fest
Dec 13	"Let Heaven and Nature Sing" (10:00a)

Serving and Connecting

Office Manager Job Opportunity

St. John's Lutheran Church in Brookfield has an immediate opening for an Office Manager. This key member of our leadership team will provide leadership and oversight for the Financial, Administrative, Operational, IT and Human Resources functions of the Church.

This is a full-time salaried position with benefits. The ideal candidate for this position will have three to five years related management experience.

A complete position description is available at http://www.makedisciples.com under Resources, Job Opportunities. Applicants should submit resumes and references to info@stjohnsbrookfield.org **by November 8**.

Bazaar 2.0 Planning

People are excited about a possible Bazaar 2027! If you are interested in being part of the imagining and planning process, please join our next meeting on **November 12** at 5:30. Come … be part of what is possible.

Save the date for Advent Fest

All are encouraged to join in the worship and celebration of Advent Fest – Friday, **December 4**. Watch for more information!

Calling Advent Fest Musicians

Calling all upper elementary, middle school students, high school students and musicians of any age. Do you play an instrument? Do you love Christmas carols? Would you like to play with a small group? You are invited to come practice playing Christmas Carols with other St. John's friends. We will meet on Sundays, Nov. 8 and 22 from 6-6:30 PM to play some music. Some may decide to play a few Christmas carols as background music in small groups during decorating on Advent Fest. All are welcome! strings, woodwinds, brass, vocalists and aspiring bell ringers.

Meet and Greet

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.

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