# Parish Hall Worship Service 23rd Sunday after Pentecost Sunday November 16, 2025 10:30 AM

#### **GATHERING SONG**

# Do Lord/I Saw the Light

Do, Lord O do, Lord O do remember me. Do, Lord O do, Lord O do remember me. Do, Lord O do, Lord O do remember me. Way beyond the blue.

I've got a home in glory land that outshines the sun. I've got a home in glory land that outshines the sun. I've got a home in glory land that outshines the sun. Way beyond the blue.

Do, Lord O do, Lord O do remember me. Do, Lord O do, Lord O do remember me. Do, Lord O do, Lord O do remember me. Way beyond the blue.

I took Jesus as my Savior, you take Him too. I took Jesus as my Savior, you take Him too. I took Jesus as my Savior, you take Him too. While He's calling you.

Do, Lord O do, Lord O do remember me.
Do, Lord O do, Lord O do remember me.
Do, Lord O do, Lord O do remember me.
Way beyond the blue.
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# I Saw The Light

I wandered so aimless life filled with sin
I wouldn't let my dear Savior in
Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night
Praise the Lord I saw the light

I saw the light I saw the light
No more darkness no more night
Now I'm so happy no sorrow in sight
Praise the Lord I saw the light

Just like a blind man I wandered along Worries and fears I claimed for my own

# Then like the blind man that God gave back his sight Praise the Lord I saw the light

I saw the light I saw the light No more darkness no more night Now I'm so happy no sorrow in sight Praise the Lord I saw the light

I was a fool to wander and stray Straight is the gate and narrow the way Now I have traded the wrong for the right Praise the Lord I saw the light

I saw the light I saw the light No more darkness no more night Now I'm so happy no sorrow in sight Praise the Lord I saw the light

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WELCOME PASTOR

# TEMPLE TALK DEANNA CHRISTENSEN - CROSS TRAILS MINISTRY

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**PASTOR** 

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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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.

# **OPENING SONG**

#### **Just a Closer Walk with Thee**

Just a closer walk with thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea; daily walking close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

I am weak but thou art strong:
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;
I'll be satisfied as long
as I walk, let me walk close to thee.

Through this world of toil and snares, if I falter, Lord, who cares?
Who with me my burden shares?
None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee.

When my feeble life is o'er, time for me will be no more; guide me gently, safely o'er to thy kingdom shore, to thy shore.

Just a closer walk with thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea; daily walking close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be. Daily walking close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

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# PRAYER OF THE DAY

**PASTOR** 

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.

#### THANKSGIVING FOR ALL WHO SERVE

**PASTOR** 

# FIRST READING

#### ASSISTING MINISTER

#### 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.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# RESPONSIVE READING

#### ASSISTING MINISTER

# Psalm 98

- <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**

#### **ASSISTING MINISTER**

# 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.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

# **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

GOSPEL PASTOR Luke 21:5-19

<sup>5</sup> 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." <sup>7</sup> 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." <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."

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

#### **SERMON**

#### **SONG OF THE DAY**

#### Are You Washed In The Blood

Have you been to Jesus for the cleansing power Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb Are you fully trusting in His grace this hour

#### Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb

Are you washed in the blood In the soul cleansing blood of the Lamb Are your garments spotless are they white as snow Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb

Are you walking daily by the Savior's side Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb Do you rest each moment in the Crucified Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb

Are you washed in the blood In the soul cleansing blood of the Lamb Are your garments spotless are they white as snow Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb

When the Bridegroom cometh will your robes be white Pure and white in the blood of the Lamb Will your soul be ready for the mansions bright And be washed in the blood of the Lamb

Are you washed in the blood In the soul cleansing blood of the Lamb Are your garments spotless are they white as snow Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb

Lay aside the garments that are stained with sin And be washed in the blood of the Lamb There's a fountain flowing for the soul unclean O be washed in the blood of the Lamb

Are you washed in the blood In the soul cleansing blood of the Lamb Are your garments spotless are they white as snow Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb

Are your garments spotless are they white as snow Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb

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# **APOSTLES' CREED**

# **PASTOR**

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

**ASSISTING MINISTER** 

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

#### **OFFERING**

#### **ASSISTING MINISTER**

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# SHARING OF THE PEACE OF THE LORD

# PASSING THE OFFERING PLATE

# **OFFERTORY SONG**

# When We All Get to Heaven

Sing the won'drous love of Jesus, sing his mercy and his grace: in the mansions bright and blessed, he'll prepare for us a place.

When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be!
When we all see Jesus we'll sing and shout the victory.

While we walk the pilgrim pathway, clouds will overspread the sky; but when the trav'ling days are over, not a shadow, not a sigh.

When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be!
When we all see Jesus
we'll sing and shout the victory.

Let us then be true and faithful, trusting, serving ev'ry day; just one glimpse of him in glory will the toils of life repay.

When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be!
When we all see Jesus
we'll sing and shout the victory.

Onward to the prize before us! Soon his beauty we'll behold; soon the pearly gates will open; we shall tread the streets of gold.

When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be!
When we all see Jesus we'll sing and shout the victory.

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what a day of rejoicing that will be!
When we all see Jesus
we'll sing and shout the victory.
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# **OFFERING PRAYER**

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.

Amen.

# **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you **And also with you** Lift up your hearts

# **PASTOR**

#### We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God It is right to give our thanks and praise

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**PASTOR** 

#### THE 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.

**COMMUNION** PASTOR

#### **COMMUNION SONGS**

# **Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus**

O soul are you weary and troubled No light in the darkness you see There's light for a look at the Savior And life more abundant and free

Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in His wonderful face
And the things of earth
Will grow strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace

Through death into life everlasting He passed and we follow Him there Over us sin no more hath dominion For more than conquerors we are

Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in His wonderful face
And the things of earth
Will grow strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace

His Word shall not fail you He promised Believe Him and all will be well Then go to a world that is dying His perfect salvation to tell

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# **Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling**

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me. See, on the portals he's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.

> "Come home, (Come home,) come home! (come home!) You who are weary, come home." Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, "O sinner, come home!"

Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, pleading for you and for me? Why should we linger and heed not his mercies, mercies for you and for me?

> "Come home, (Come home,) come home! (come home!) You who are weary, come home." Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, "O sinner, come home!"

Oh, for the wonderful love he has promised, promised for you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me.

"Come home, (Come home,) come home! (come home!) You who are weary, come home." Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, "O sinner, come home!" Text: Will L. Thompson, 1847-1909 ONELICENSE #731020-A

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**PASTOR** 

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. **Amen.** 

BLESSING PASTOR

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. **Amen.** 

#### **CLOSING SONG**

# **Uncloudy Day**

Oh they tell me of a home far beyond the skies
And they tell me of a home far away
Oh they tell me of a home where no storm clouds rise
Oh they tell me of an uncloudy day

Oh the land of cloudless days, oh the land of an unclouded sky Oh they tell me of a home where no storm clouds rise Oh they tell me of an uncloudy day

Oh they tell me of a home where my friends have gone And they tell me of that land far away Where the Tree of Life in eternal bloom Sheds its fragrance through the uncloudy day

Oh the land of cloudless days, oh the land of an unclouded sky Oh they tell me of a home where no storm clouds rise Oh they tell me of an uncloudy day

Oh they tell me of the king in his beauty there And they tell me that mine eyes shall behold Where He sits on a throne that is whiter than snow In the city that is made of gold

Oh the land of cloudless days, oh the land of an unclouded sky Oh they tell me of a home where no storm clouds rise Oh they tell me of an uncloudy day

Oh they tell me that He smiles on His children there

And His smile drives their sorrows away
And they tell me that no tears ever come again
In that lovely land of uncloudy day

Oh the land of cloudless days, oh the land of an unclouded sky Oh they tell me of a home where no storm clouds rise Oh they tell me of an uncloudy day J. K. Alwood (1885) Public Domain ONELICENSE #731020-A

# I'll Fly Away

Some bright morning when this life is o'er, I'll fly away To a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away

I'll fly away oh glory I'll fly away When I die hallelujah by and by, I'll fly away

When the shadows of this life have gone, I'll fly away Like a bird from these prison walls I'll fly, I'll fly away

I'll fly away oh glory I'll fly away When I die hallelujah by and by, I'll fly away

Oh how glad and happy when we meet, I'll fly away No more cold iron shackles on my feet, I'll fly away

I'll fly away oh glory I'll fly away When I die hallelujah by and by, I'll fly away

Just a few more weary days and then, I'll fly away To a land where joys will never end, I'll fly away

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