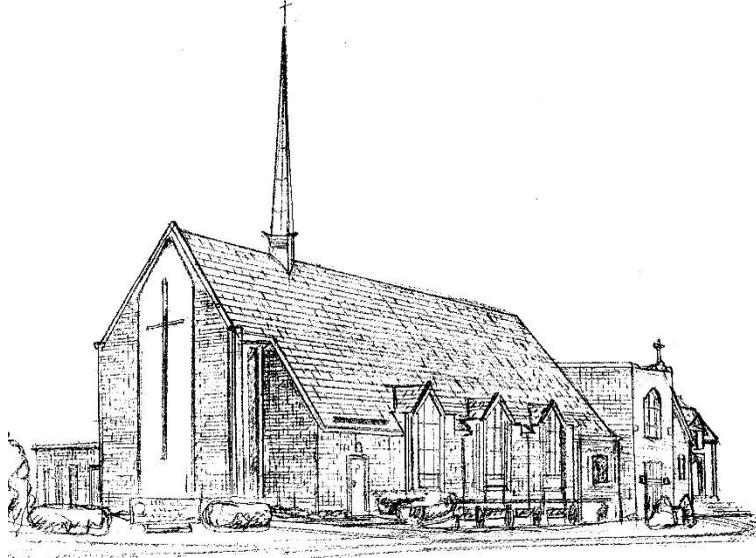


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Lectionary 25 - Contemporary

Introduction

As we are invited today to consider what it means to be managers (rather than owners) of all that we have, it is crucial to recognize that we are bought with a price. “Christ Jesus, himself human, . . . gave himself a ransom for all.” Apart from the generosity of God we have nothing—we are nothing. By God’s gracious favor we have everything we need.

GATHERING

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.
C Amen.

L Dear friends, together let us acknowledge
our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

The congregation may kneel as able.

L: God of mercy and forgiveness,
C: **we confess that sin still has a hold on us.
We have harmed your good creation.
We have failed to do justice,
love kindness,
and walk humbly with you.**

**Turn us in a new direction.
Show us the path that leads to life.
Be our refuge and strength on the journey,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.
Amen.**

P: Beloved of God:

your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole.

God points the way to new life in Christ,
who meets us on the road.

Journey now in God's abiding love
through the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

GATHERING SONG –Rain Down

RAIN DOWN

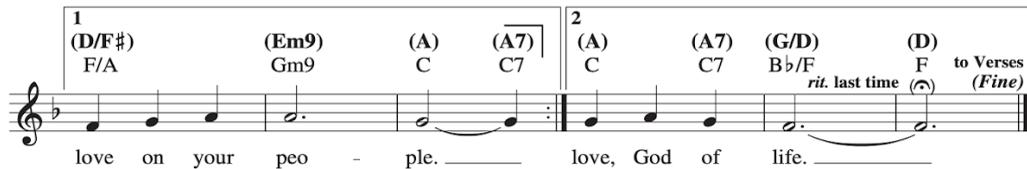
REFRAIN *Slow gospel swing* (♩ = ca. 88) 

Capo 3: (D) F (F#7/C#) A7/E (Bm) Dm (D7/A) F7/C (G) Bb



Rain down, rain down, rain down your

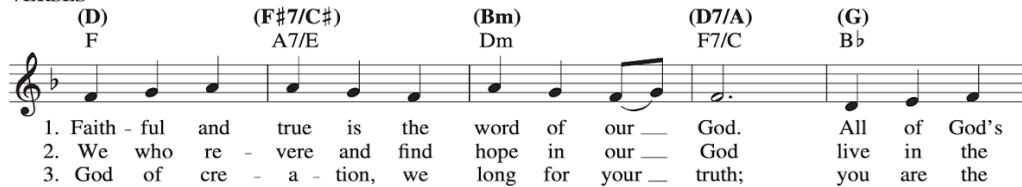
1 (D/F#) F/A (Em9) Gm9 (A) C (A7) C7 2 (A) C (A7) C7 (G/D) Bb/F (D) F to Verses (Fine)



love on your peo - ple. love, God of life.

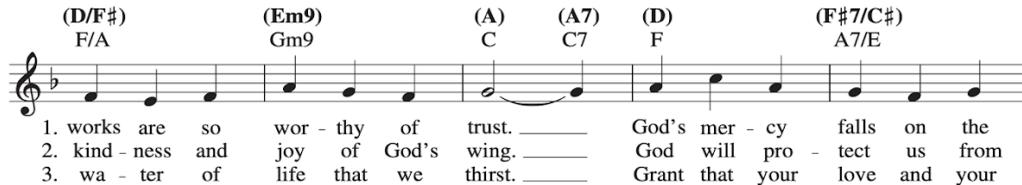
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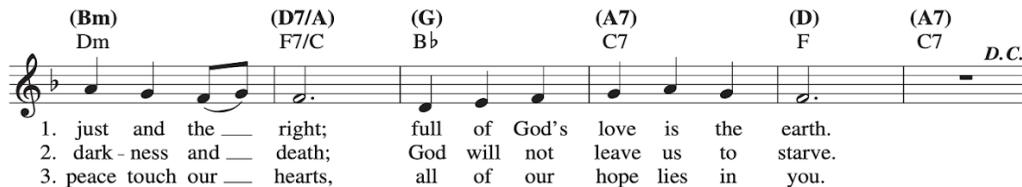
1. Faith - ful and true is the word of our God. All of God's
2. We who re - vere and find hope in our God live in the
3. God of cre - a - tion, we long for your truth; you are the

(D/F#) F/A (Em9) Gm9 (A) C (A7) C7 (D) F (F#7/C#) A7/E



1. works are so wor - thy of trust. God's mer - cy falls on the
2. kind - ness and joy of God's wing. God will pro - tect us from
3. wa - ter of life that we thirst. Grant that your love and your

(Bm) Dm (D7/A) F7/C (G) Bb (A7) C7 (D) F (A7) C7 D.C.



1. just and the right; full of God's love is the earth.
2. dark - ness and death; God will not leave us to starve.
3. peace touch our hearts, all of our hope lies in you.

Text: Based on Psalm 33; Jaime Cortez, b. 1963.

Music: Jaime Cortez.

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APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

KYRIE (ELW p. 184) *Refrain and verses sung by all*

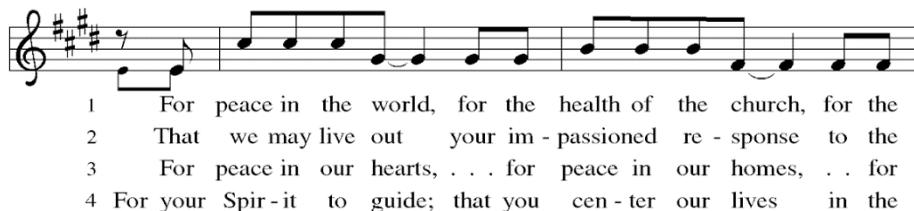
Refrain



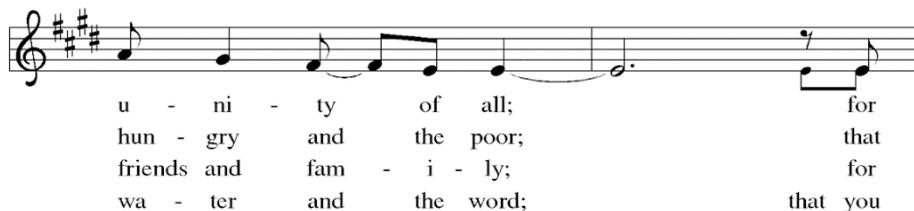
Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



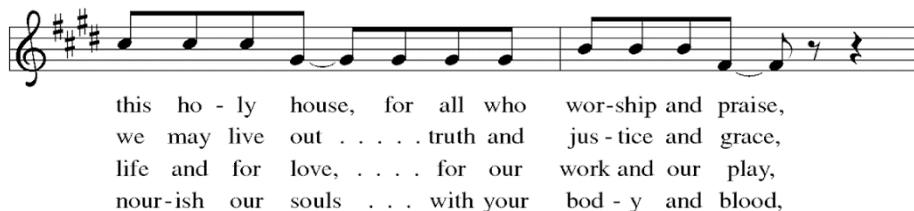
Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
 hun - gry and the poor; that
 friends and fam - i - ly; for
 wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
 life and for love, for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

Refrain



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: Amos 8:4-7

Amos was called by God to prophesy in the Northern Kingdom of Israel. Peace and prosperity in Israel led to corrupt business practices and oppression of the poor. The prophet declares that God will not tolerate such a situation.

A reading from Amos,

⁴Hear this, you that trample on the needy,
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,

⁵saying, “When will the new moon be over
so that we may sell grain;
and the sabbath,

so that we may offer wheat for sale?

We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,
and practice deceit with false balances,

⁶buying the poor for silver
and the needy for a pair of sandals,
and selling the sweepings of the wheat.”

⁷The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 13

¹Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants [|] of the LORD;
praise the name [|] of the LORD.

²**Let the name of the [|] LORD be blessed,
from this time forth for- [|] evermore.**

³From the rising of the sun to its [|] going down
let the name of the [|] LORD be praised.

⁴**The LORD is high a- [|] bove all nations;
God's glory a- [|] bove the heavens.**

⁵Who is like the [|] LORD our God,
who sits en- [|] throned on high,

⁶**but stoops [|] to behold
the heavens [|] and the earth?**

⁷The LORD takes up the weak out [|] of the dust
and lifts up the poor [|] from the ashes,

⁸**enthroning them [|] with the rulers,
with the rulers [|] of the people.**

⁹The LORD makes the woman of a [|] childless house
to be a joyful mother of children. [|] Hallelujah

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

The pastoral epistles offer insight into how early Christians understood many practical matters, such as church administration and worship. The church's focused prayer for others is an expression of the single-minded passion God has toward us in Jesus.

A reading from 1 Timothy,

¹First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

⁵For there is one God;
there is also one mediator between God and humankind,
Christ Jesus, himself human,
⁶who gave himself a ransom for all
—this was attested at the right time.⁷For this I was appointed a herald and an
apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in
faith and truth.

A The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 188)



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13

Jesus tells the curious story of a dishonest manager who cheats his employer and then is commended by him for having acted so shrewdly. Jesus wonders why his own followers are less creative and diligent in their stewardship given that they are managers of a far more valuable household.

P The holy gospel according to Luke.

C **Glory to you, O Lord**

¹Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ ³Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ ⁵So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’ ⁷Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’ ⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰“Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON – *The Rev. Daniel P. Smail*

HYMN OF THE DAY – The Healing

The Healing

(based on the recording by Blanca (feat. Dante Bowe))

Words and Music by
Blanca Reyes, Anton Göransson,
Isabella Sjosstrand and Dante Bowe

$\text{♩} = 90$ **VERSE 1**

$D\flat$ $A\flat$ Fm $E\flat$

1. I be-lieve in you, mak-er of stars, the sun and moon,

3 $D\flat$ $A\flat$ Fm $E\flat$ $D\flat$ $A\flat$

heav-en and earth de-signed by ____ you. Oh, ____ I be-lieve in you.

6 $E\flat$ Fm $D\flat$ $A\flat$ Fm $E\flat$

Took my wea-ry heart, bro-ken and bruised, ev-e-ry part you made brand ____ new.

9 **PRE-CHORUS**

$D\flat$ $A\flat$ Fm $E\flat$ $D\flat$ $A\flat$

Oo, ____ e - ven when fear tries to dim my light, oo, ____ I won't

12 **CHORUS**

Fm $E\flat$ $D\flat$ $A\flat$ Fm $E\flat$

walk by ____ sight. ____ 'Cause I ____ can feel it ris - ing on the in - side, ____ a fi -

15 $D\flat$ $A\flat$ Fm $E\flat$ $D\flat$ $A\flat$

- re burn-ing wild and bring-ing me to life. ____ My God, ____ you're so much more than just a

18 **POST-CHORUS**

$E\flat$ Fm $D\flat$ $A\flat$ Fm $E\flat$ $D\flat$ $A\flat$

feel - ing. You are my heal - ing, you are my heal - ing. ____ Heal - ing me, ____

35 Eb Fm D \flat A \flat Eb Fm

you're heal-ing, you're heal-ing. Heal - ing me, _____ You are my
you're heal-ing, you're heal-ing.

BRIDGE

38 D \flat^2 Eb(4) Fm 7

heal - ing, you are my heal - ing. You are my heal - ing, you are my

41 1. Eb/G A \flat Ab/C 2. Eb/G A \flat D \flat A \flat **CHORUS**

heal - ing. You are my heal - ing. 'Cause I _ _ can feel it ris - ing on the
You are my...

44 Fm Eb D \flat A \flat Fm Eb

in - side, _ a fi - re burn - ing wild and bring - ing me to life. _ My God,

47 D \flat A \flat Eb Fm D \flat A \flat

_ you're so much more than just a feel - ing. You are my heal - ing, you are my

POST-CHORUS

50 Fm Eb D \flat A \flat Eb Fm

heal - ing. _ Heal - ing me, _____ you're heal-ing, you're heal-ing.

53 D \flat A \flat Eb Fm

Heal - ing me, _____ you're heal - ing, you're heal - ing.

APOSTLES CREED

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again 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

As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

A brief silence.

God our Savior, you keep your church in faith and truth. Accompany those preparing for baptism or affirmation of baptism. Enlighten preachers, teachers, seminarians, and all those who share your good news with the world. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Divine teacher, you instruct your children to be responsible stewards of your creation. Show us how best to care for the earth and its resources, and guide those who work to develop sustainable practices. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Ruler of the nations, you direct those in authority. Give leaders wisdom and compassion so that all may live in peace. Inspire public servants to follow the example of courageous leaders and safeguard the dignity of each person. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Helper of the needy, you lift up those who are oppressed. Breathe justice into economic and social systems that perpetuate poverty and hunger. Sustain food ministries, clothing banks, and emergency shelters. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Sustainer and giver of life, you bless this congregation with abundance. Instruct us in the proper and faithful use of wealth and resources, that we share generously. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

God of glory, you gather your saints around your throne. Keep us thankful for the witness of those who have gone before us and bring us with them to the heavenly feast that has no end. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen.

PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

MEAL

OFFERING PRAYER

L Let us pray.

Gracious God,

in your great love you richly provide for our needs.

Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing,

and make us ready to share with all in need;

through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.

C **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING (ELW p. 190)

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.

PREFACE (ELW p. 190)

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

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW p. 190)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
 est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy God,

our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food,
 you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.
 You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life,
 and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.
 You sent your Son to eat with sinners
 and to become food for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,
his life given for us
and his rising from the grave,
we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal:
strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want,
and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church,
both now and forever.

Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**C 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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Christ invites you to this table.
Come, taste and see.

COMMUNION SONG (ELW p. 191)



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the



world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

COMMUNION SONG - The Blessing

The Blessing

(based on the recording by Kari Jobe, Cody Carnes & Elevation Worship | original key: B)

Words and Music by
Chris Brown, Cody Carnes,
Kari Jobe and Steven Furtick

♩ = 70 **VERSE**

G C²(no3) G

The Lord bless you _ and keep you, make his face shine _ up-on _

4 D⁽⁴⁾ Em⁷ C²(no3)

_ you and be gra - cious _ to you. The Lord turn his _ face toward you

7 G D⁽⁴⁾ G G^{sus} **CHORUS** Em⁷ C²(no3)

and give you peace. _ A - men, a -

12 G D⁽⁴⁾ Em⁷ C²(no3) G

-men, a - men. A - men, a - men, a -

17 **INSTRUMENTAL**

1. D⁽⁴⁾ D.C. 2, 4. D⁽⁴⁾ D.S. 3, 5. D⁽⁴⁾ (2nd x to Br.) Em⁷

-men. - men. - men. (May his fa) -

BRIDGE

24

Em⁷

C²(no3)



- vor be up-on_ you and a thou - sand gen - er - a - tions and your fam -
- ence go be - fore_ you and be - hind_ you and be - side_ you, all a - round.
- ing, in the eve - ning, in your com - ing and your go - ing, in your weep -

26

G

1.
D⁽⁴⁾ (repeat as desired)



- 'ly and your chil - dren and their chil - dren_ and their chil - dren. May his fa -
- you and with-in_ you. He is with
- ing and re - joic - ing, He is for

28

2, 3, 5, 6.
D⁽⁴⁾

4, 7.
D⁽⁴⁾



- dren_ and their chil - dren. May his pres - _ you, _ he is for_ you. He is for_
- you, _ he is with_ you. In the morn -

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POST COMMUNION CANTICLE ELW 204

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.

Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.

Send us with your prom-is - es and lead your peo-ple forth in joy with

shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

L Let us pray.

God of the abundant table,
you have refreshed our hearts in this meal
with bread for the journey.

Give us your grace on the road
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

P God, who gives life to all things
and frees us from despair,

bless you with truth and peace.
 And may the holy Trinity, † one God,
 guide you always in faith, hope, and love.
C Amen.

SENDING SONG – The Trees of the Field

The Trees Of The Field

Words by
Steffi Geiser Rubin

Music by
Stuart Dauermann

♩ = 126

☞ **VERSE**
Em

Musical score for "The Trees of the Field" in G major, 4/4 time. The score is divided into a Verse and a Chorus. The Verse consists of two lines of music. The Chorus consists of two lines of music. The score includes lyrics, chord symbols, and performance markings such as "claps" and "Fine".

Verse 1: You shall go out with joy — and be led forth with peace.

Verse 2: — The moun - tains and the hills will break forth — be -

Verse 3: -fore you; There'll be shouts of joy, — and all the trees of the field will

Chorus 1: clap, will clap their hands. And all the trees of the

Chorus 2: field will clap their hands, — the trees of the field will

Chorus 3: clap their hands; — The trees of the field will

Those Serving at worship this weekend

LECTORS

6:00pm - Joe Kayda
8:00am - Shannon Rau
10:30am - Jane Bittcher

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

6:00 pm - Joe Kayda
8:00am - Shannon Rau
10:30am - Jane Bittcher

LAY ASSISTANTS

8:00am - André Francois
10:30am - Marilyn Okonak

Advancing the Slides

6:00pm - Rex Biernesser
8:00am -
10:30am - Cheryl Wolosik

ACOLYTE 10:30am Cam Hubstenberger

**Ushers are: 8am - Russ Bennardo & Donna Tappe
10:30am - Rich McHale**

Monthly Counting Team: Bruce & Luann Letterle, Jim & Suzi Fisher & Bob Kenst

Monthly Benevolence for SEPTEMBER is: LUTHERLYN

Your special envelope may be placed in the offering basket at any Worship service, or they can be mailed directly to the church office. Thank you for your generous support.

The Week at Bethlehem

Sunday, Sept. 18th

8:00am Worship/Communion

9:15am Sunday School for Students and Adults

*10:30 am Worship/Communion

*Live streamed worship service

1-3pm Martha Steckel & Dog Group. (Schmid Hall)

Monday, Sept. 19th

9a-2:30p – PACC (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, Sept. 20th

6:00pm NA Mtg. in Fellowship Hall

7-8:30pm Boy Scout Comm. Mtg. (downstairs Music Rm. or classroom)

Wednesday, Sept. 21st

10:30a & 7pm Pastors Bible Study

7-8:30pm Boy Scouts (Schmid Hall)

Thursday, Sept. 22nd

5:30-7pm Girl Scouts (Fellowship Hall)

Friday, Sept. 23rd

Fall Begins....

Saturday, Sept. 24th

LIFT Day Trip to Hartville, OH

6:00pm Worship/Communion

Women's Book Study

Book: What is the Gospel? written by Bishop Kurt Kusserow

Thursdays 7:00-8:00 pm from September 22 to October 20.

The book can be ordered on Amazon or a link can be sent to you for a free PDF download at <https://www.swpasynod.org/gospel>.

Please join us as we build our understanding of the Gospel!

HELP A NEIGHBOR IN NEED...

New Start is in desperate need of sofas (7' or smaller) love seats, mattress and box springs (no King), end tables, coffee tables, vacuum cleaners, microwaves, TVs (flat screen).

Please contact Larry Nugent at 412-897-0117 if you have any of these items that are in good working condition.

Save the date!

Oktoberfest Saturday, October 22 4-7:30pm.

The Fellowship Committee is looking for volunteers of all kinds to help put on a successful Oktoberfest. We will need bakers, cooks, servers and more. If you are interested in contributing your time and talents, please sign up on the Oktoberfest volunteer board in the Narthex or contact the church office. We will be having a planning meeting on Monday October 3rd at 7pm. All are welcome!

Worship Notes

Since our organ has been back in service, worship has returned to Setting 1 of the liturgy. Note, however, that Setting 8 was used over the summer (includes music from a variety of composers all in contemporary musical styles) will be used for contemporary worship on the third Sunday of the month.

To celebrate the refurbished organ, a service with familiar hymn tunes in place of all portions of the liturgy is scheduled for Sunday, October 2. Members are asked to suggest their favorite hymns to be included in the service. * Complete form below and place it in the offering box.

My favorite hymn is: _____

Bible Study Resumed!

At Bethlehem we are passionate about the study and exploration of God's Word. And this fall we have turned to an informative and inspiring study to start off the programmatic year. We are engaging with Walter Brueggemann's, "Delivered Out of Empire: Pivotal Moments in the Book of Exodus." The first 2 studies were already held, but the remaining sessions will be held as follows: September, 21st, 28th and October 5th. We offer two options for your convenience: a 10:30 morning session and a 7:00 evening session. Please consider joining us, even if you can only make it to a class or two, we trust you will find your investment in this study to be enriching.



BELC MUSIC MINISTRY

The adult choir rehearses on Sunday mornings from 9:00-10:15 AM and will begin rehearsals on Rally Day, September 11th. The choir sings several times per month at the 10:30 service.

The choir season runs from September through mid-May.

The Handbell choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:00 PM and usually plays a couple of times in the fall and spring. The first rehearsal is on September 14th and the season ends in early May.

If you are interested in joining either of our choirs, or have questions, please feel free to reach out to Laura either by email: l.henri@belc.org OR phone: (412-486-0550 ext. 102) Not to late –you can still join in!!!!

Thank you!

Attendance Books

Dear friends, at the end of each pew you will discover a little red folio pad. Inside that folio, you'll find attendance sheets. If you could take a moment to make note of your participation in worship this week and pass it along to the next person or family in your pew, that would be greatly appreciated. These pads help us track attendance, those who have communed, connect with visitors, and faithfully address the concerns of our members. Thank you so very much for your help!

Interested in Membership?

Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Glenshaw is a vibrant community of faith. We take our lives in Christ seriously, and we seek to connect our members with God's grace and provide meaningful opportunities to grow in faith. If you'd like to be a part of Bethlehem, this is the perfect opportunity. We will have a new member orientation on Sunday, October 2nd after the 10:30 service. And we will receive new members on Sunday, October 9th at the 10:30 service. We enjoy fellowship and a reception after worship. If you have questions about membership, or would like to be included in these events, please reach out to Pastor Dan or Pastor Ellen. We would be grateful to have you as a member of our congregation!

NORTHSIDE COMMON MINISTRY'S FOOD BANK

In Need of Reusable Grocery Bags

Bethlehem has been part of Northside Common Ministry for years. Along with community outreach, this is the organization that helps to support the men's shelter to which we provide dinners twice a month. We have a member on the board of directors and workers in the food bank pantry. The food pantry, which is the largest PA pantry west of Philadelphia, has put out a call for cloth grocery bags or sturdy ones from different sources. The common thin plastic bags will not be accepted.

Bethlehem will be collecting the reusable bags in September and October.

All bags must be new or slightly used and clean.





Check out the fall dates for the Bethlehem Young Families!

(Plan ahead and mark these event on your calendar and join us)

All are welcome to attend these activities but they are geared towards families with children ages birth-kindergarten.

Sunday, October 23, 1 p.m.:

Zoo Boo at the Pittsburgh Zoo

Meet at the main entrance for a trick-or-treat adventure at the Pittsburgh Zoo!
Come in costume and bring a bag to collect treats!

Sunday, November 6, 1 p.m.:

Fall Hike at Fall Run Park

Meet at the trailhead. We will hike at least to the waterfall and decide if the little hikers are able to go further.

If you plan to attend any of these events, text Carrie at (412)-708-259

Time to order “Living Lutheran”

Your willingness to be good stewards of our church funds has resulted in a savings of approximately \$1,500 for Bethlehem for each of the past 9 years! Those who wished to have “Living Lutheran” delivered to their homes pay only \$12.95 for the year. This is quite a bargain for a monthly magazine that keeps you abreast of the ELCA nationwide, offering many thought provoking articles plus ideas that can be implemented in our own congregation.

Once again, for our next subscription cycle, we will order “Living Lutheran” magazine based on your order. ***Please complete the form below, enclose payment and return to the church by September 25, 2022*** to have the Living Lutheran delivered to your home starting with the 2023 subscription year. We will keep some copies of the Living Lutheran in the church library for your convenience.

Living Lutheran Subscription Order for 2023

Name: _____

Address: _____

Number of copies: _____ @ \$12.95/yearly subscription Amount paid: _____

*PLEASE BE SURE TO CHECK ONE OF THESE CATAGORIES:

___ I am a member who is doing a reorder ___ I am a member doing a brand new subscription

MoB – Save the date of October 29th for our annual Men’s Retreat 10a-12/noon. Additional details and sign up on the board in the Narthex. Take a moment to check it out and consider joining us on the 29th...

Attention all college student families!!

As we approach the next academic year, the Hope & Compassion Committee is seeking your help in collecting current addresses for our college students, so we can send some words of encouragement throughout the school year. Please send your student’s address to Shari Manges at ronandshari@gmail.com or 412-638-2445 by the end of September. Thank you for helping us to maintain connections with our college students

LIFT - SAVE THE 2022 DATES FOR UPCOMING EVENTS:

Looking forward to the rest of the year, please put these events/dates on your calendar and plan to join us for fun and fellowship...

09/24/22: LIFT Day trip to Hartville, OH

10/02/22: LIFT – lunch at E-Town Bar in Etna, PA

11/12/18: LIFT day trip to Harmony PA’s German-style Christmas Market

11/27/22: Nancy Price Memorial Wreath Making Party

If you missed our last **CPR classes**, there will be another opportunity. Mark your calendar from now... Yes it is in December – but reserve some time for this from now!! **Sat. Dec. 10th 9am & 11am Sessions.** Class will be taught once again by our own Dalton Crump.