Post-Communion Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer:
P: Let us pray.
C: Good and gracious God we give you thanks for refreshing our faith and our lives through this tremendous meal. Help us to live our lives as a faithful response to your goodness and empower us to share all that you have given to us with the people you have placed in our lives. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

Benediction
P: The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, bless you now and forever.

Threefold Amen

Closing Hymn: ***In Christ, There is No East or West*** **ELW #650**

Dismissal
P: Go in Peace, Serve the Lord!
C: Thanks be to God.

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Welcome! We are glad you are with us today!
"If you do not have a church home, you are welcome here. If you would like to Become a member, contact any member, or the church office."

Sunday, November 15th, 2026; 9:30 am Twenty Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness
P: We come before our God, this morning, under the sign of our baptism in the name of God, the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.
P: Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
(Silence for self-reflection)
C: Merciful and loving God, we are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.
P: Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven!
C: Amen.

Opening Hymn: ***Amazing Grace*** **ELW #779**

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

Call to Worship **Psalm 123**
P: To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!
C: As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the LORD our God, until he has mercy upon us.
P: Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us, for we have had more than enough of contempt.
C: Our soul has had more than its fill of the scorn of those who are at ease, of the contempt of the proud.

Prayer of the Day:
P: Let us pray.
C: God of justice, you sent your servant Micah to proclaim justice and peace to a world that lacked both. Make us instruments of justice and peace, so that your world might prosper. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

First Reading: Micah 1:3-5; 5:2-5a; 6:6-8 Kathy Reisenweber
For the Lord is coming out of his place and will come down and tread upon the high places of the earth. Then the mountains will melt under him, and the valleys will burst open like wax near the fire, like waters poured down a slope. All this is for the transgression of Jacob and for the sins of the house of Israel. What is the transgression of Jacob? Is it not Samaria? And what is the high place of Judah? Is it not Jerusalem? But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth, and he shall be the one of peace. "With what shall I come before the Lord and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" He has told you, O mortal, what is good, and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God?

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So, then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober, for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober and put on the breastplate of faith and love and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Gospel Acclamation ***Christ, Be Our Light*** **ELW #715 (Chorus)**

Gospel Reading: Matthew 9:9-13
(After the reading is announced: ***C: Glory to you, O Lord.)***
As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners."
(After the reading, P: The Gospel of the *Lord.* ***C: Praise to you, O Christ.)***

Children's Message **Pastor Josh Schunk**

Sermon **Pastor Josh Schunk**

Hymn of the Day: ***Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service*** **ELW #712**

Recognition of New Members

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

Offering Hymn: ***Take My Life, That I May Be*** **ELW #685**

Offertory Prayer
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.

Service of Holy Communion
P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.
P: Lift up your hearts
C: We lift them to the Lord.
P: Let us give thanks to God.
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; By the witness of your saints you show us the hope of our calling, and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory. Remembering the promise of eternal life with those we love, we join in this sacred meal.

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.

Invitation to Communion:

Distribution of Holy Communion

Distribution Hymn: ***I Come with Joy*** **ELW #482**