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MISSION STATEMENT

"WALKING WITH JESUS TO BRING NEW LIFE AND HOPE TO EVERY PERSON"

WE ARE A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

PASTOR: DAVID PETERSON

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2026 4:00 P.M.
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2026 8:30 & 10:15 A.M.



We welcome you to the worship of this community of faith.
As we sing, pray and study God's word together may we strengthen each other's faith in the saving power of Jesus Christ. It is difficult to be a Christian by yourself!

When you enter this church, it may be possible that you hear "the call of God". However, it is unlikely that He will call you on your cell phone. Thank you for turning off your phones. If you want to talk to God, enter, choose a quiet place and talk to Him. If you want to see God, send Him a text while driving.

VISITORS.. Welcome! Please sign our Guest Book located in the Narthex. We would love to meet you!

PLEASE REMEMBER… to contact the church office if you or a loved one are hospitalized, in rehab facility, or facility other than your home. Vicars and Stephen Ministers will make a visit.

DID YOU KNOW.. Perfume and cologne can trigger life-threatening breathing emergencies in persons with asthma, allergies and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) Hospitals and schools are becoming 'scent-free' due to this increasing health hazard. Please be sensitive to this concern when coming to church. Thank You.

LITTLE FOLKS.. Parents… please remember that there are 'busy bags' hanging on the coat tree in the Narthex to occupy the little ones during worship. Simply return the bags to the tree on your way out of church. Thank you.

BE COMFORTABLE.. There are shawls in the Narthex that you can use if chilled during worship. Just ask one of the ushers and they will get you one. Simply return the shawl to the narthex on your way out of the church.

Hearing Devices: *The older hearing devices have been moved to the Narthex. They are located next to the far right entrance door to the sanctuary.*

We now offer the T-Coil hearing device with the new sound system. Individuals will need to contact their provider to find out if their hearing aid is telecoil-equipped. If so, they need to ask how to turn on the T-Coil or if it is automatically linked once the loop is around their neck.

FLOWERS for the altar today are given by Ted & Niki Duffy in memory of Patrick and Marijan & Judy Petrovic in memory of Neva Frohlick.

PRAYERS: Larry Munsterman, Diane Lee, John Arnold, Jeanie Volpe, Phyllis Nicklesen, Ami Gudjohnson, Tom Duffy, Thomas Alcaraz, Bill Timm, Marie Sadegur, Sue Nasinec, Gina Dombroski (niece of Tom Volpe) Kristian Heidemann, Joann Danielson, Mike (son-in-law of Linda Strand), Marilyn Johnson (friends of Marie Ritten) Meridith Hancock, Jennifer Schaub (niece of Ted/Niki Duffy), Carrie Russo (aunt of Ted/Niki Duffy), Marilyn Z (friend of Lorie Rapp), Jessica Sanders (granddaughter of Jim & Linda Byrant), Sharon Hundtoft, Shirley Shilley, Trevor Lake, Mary Marsh, Mason Fletcher (Grandson of Lisa Crayne), Forrest Marsh, Rita (sister of Marlene Miller)

Remember in your prayers Donna Staudenmeier. Her daughter Dianne went to be with her Lord on October 26, 2026.

PLEASE NOTE that we'll be using the Nicene Creed & the Contemporary version of the Lord's Prayer for the month of November. God blesses our prayers.

Is Your Phone Turned Off?

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP: Congregation please join in



P Come to the waters of life.
C We will wash and be clean.
P God frees us from all that separates us from our neighbors.
C Let us live in harmonious community with all creation.

P God is Good
C All the time
P All the time
C God is Good

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the Holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose compassion endures forever.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

P Loving God,

C We have rebelled against your life-giving reign and raised up worldly kings for ourselves – people, possessions, fame. You have sent us prophets to declare to us the error of our ways and we have despised them, choosing instead to follow false prophets who tell us what we want to hear. We have failed to heed your persistent call to lives of simplicity, love, self-sacrificial service, and commitment to the flourishing of all creation. Forgive us our short-sightedness and self-focus. Draw us back to you, that we might center our lives on our relationship with you, and turn outwards in love for all that you have made.

P Our God still reigns over all that is, and cherishes each of us as beloved children. Know that your sins are forgiven, and go forth in that knowledge to serve and do justice in all the earth. In Jesus' holy name we pray.

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN "All Are Welcome" ELW 641



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



SONG OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY *together we pray:*

P Loving God,

C As Elisha healed a man who crossed boundaries from another nation, so let us cross and break down boundaries in order to bring healing and wholeness to our neighbors regardless of our preconceived notions of who they are. So open our hearts, minds, and spirits that we cannot help but pour out your love on all creation. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

P May the peace of the Lord be with you always!

C And also with you

P Please generously share God's peace all around!

WORSHIP MUSIC

Saturday (4) Choir "Find Us Faithful"
Sunday (8:30) Ensemble "Mine Eyes Have Seen The Glory"
*(*10:15)Bells of Glory "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

LESSON 2 Kings 5:1-19

[1]Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man
and in high favor with his master because by him the Lord had given victory
to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease.
[2] Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive
from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. [3] She said to her
mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He
would cure him of his skin disease." [4] So Naaman[a] went in and told his lord

just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. [5] And the king of Aram said, “Go, then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel.”
He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. [6] He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, “When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his skin disease.” [7] When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, “Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.”
[8] But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, “Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.”
[9] So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha’s house. [10] Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, “Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean.” [11] But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, “I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! [12] Are not Abana[b] and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?” He turned and went away in a rage. [13] But his servants approached and said to him, “Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, ‘Wash, and be clean’?” [14] So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.
[15] Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, “Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel; please accept a present from your servant.” [16] But he said, “As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing!” He urged him to accept, but he refused. [17] Then Naaman said, “If not, please let two mule

loads of earth be given to your servant, for your servant will no longer offer burnt offering or sacrifice to any god except the Lord. [18] But may the Lord pardon your servant on one count: when my master goes into the house of Rimmon to worship there, leaning on my arm, and I bow down in the house of Rimmon, when I do bow down in the house of Rimmon, may the Lord pardon your servant on this one count." [19] He said to him, "Go in peace."

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL Matthew 8:1-4

[1]When Jesus[a] had come down from the mountain, great crowds followed him, [2] and there was a man with a skin disease who came to him and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean." [3] He stretched out his hand and touched him, saying, "I am willing. Be made clean!" Immediately his skin disease was cleansed. [4]Then Jesus said to him, "See that you say nothing to anyone, but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, as a testimony to them."

V The Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to the Lord

TEACHING: *"Doing It God's Way If I Must"* Pastor David Peterson

HYMN OF THE DAY "You Are Mine" ELW 581



NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER INVOCATION



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Trusting in God's benevolent rule over creation, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

P Holy God, as Elisha cured a non-Israelite man, may we reach out in love and service to those who differ from us, that every single person – all of your beloved children, made in your image – might experience healing and wholeness. God of mercy,

C You hear our prayer.

P All rivers and waterways are holy, O God. Help us to heal the infirmities we have inflicted upon this most life-giving resource throughout the world. God of mercy,

C You hear our prayer.

Here other petitions may be offered. Together we pray

C Bless Your Church. Bless the Vicars in your church. Purify, preserve & provide through your Holy Spirit. We pray for each of our mission congregations, the Grand Canyon Synod, local partners, and care ministries. We also pray for the congregation's vision process. May we continue to work toward our mission and uphold our values.

We also pray for Pastor Dave Peterson whom God has called to Gloria de Cristo to work with us to move this congregation forward in mission. Enlarge our hearts toward people far from God while we "Walk with Jesus to bring new life and hope to every person."

P Give all who lead the humility to recognize their own limitations and the promise of your restoring grace and power. Inspire them to find joy in the work of serving others. God of mercy,

C You hear our prayer.

P As you healed Naaman, an outsider, so may we strive for just medical systems that provide care to all who need it, regardless of any artificial barriers we might create. Bring hope and healing to all who struggle, especially those we remember in our hearts. God of mercy,

C You hear our prayer.

P Naaman's pride almost prevented him from accepting our gift of healing and wholeness. Relieve us of our need to control everything, that we might humbly follow in your way to serenity and peace. God of mercy,

C You hear our prayer.

P We give you thanks for all your saints whose lives demonstrate your love and strength in their overcoming of challenges. May we remember their victories and be inspired to hope and trust in you. God of mercy,

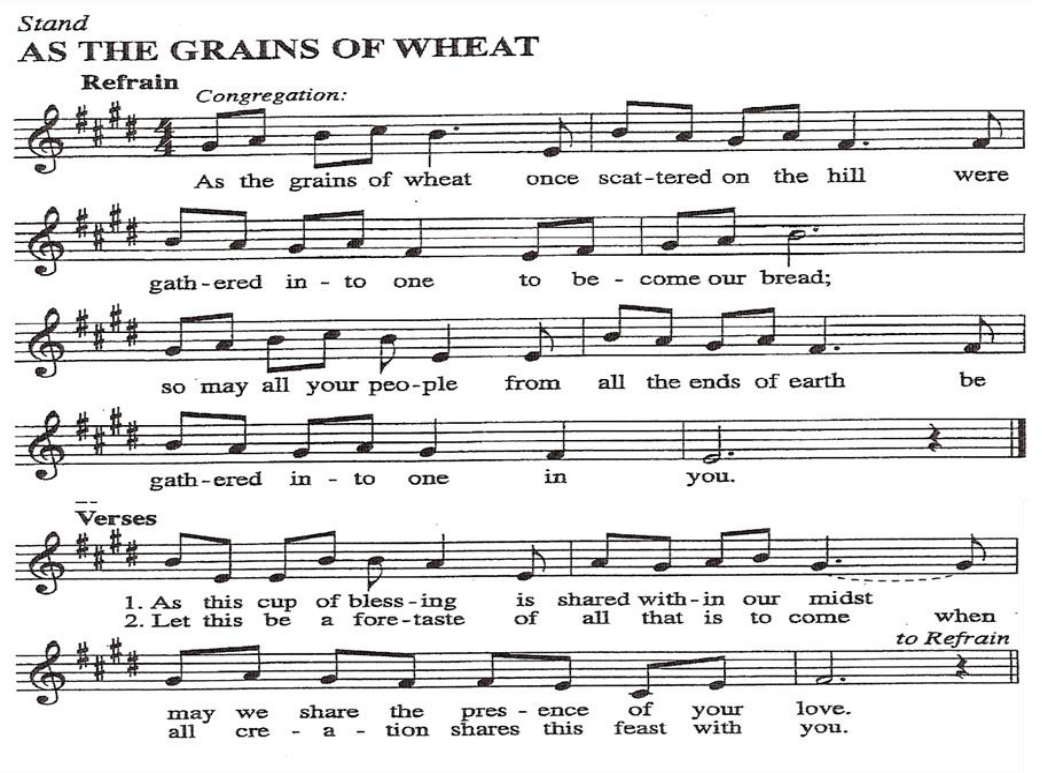
C You hear our prayer.

P Sovereign God, we lift these prayers to you, and have faith that all things are in your hands.

C Amen

THE OFFERING (For those watching there is a link for online giving in the description of the video. We are thankful for all the support from both in-person giving as well as online giving.)

OFFERING RESPONSE *(please stand)*



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

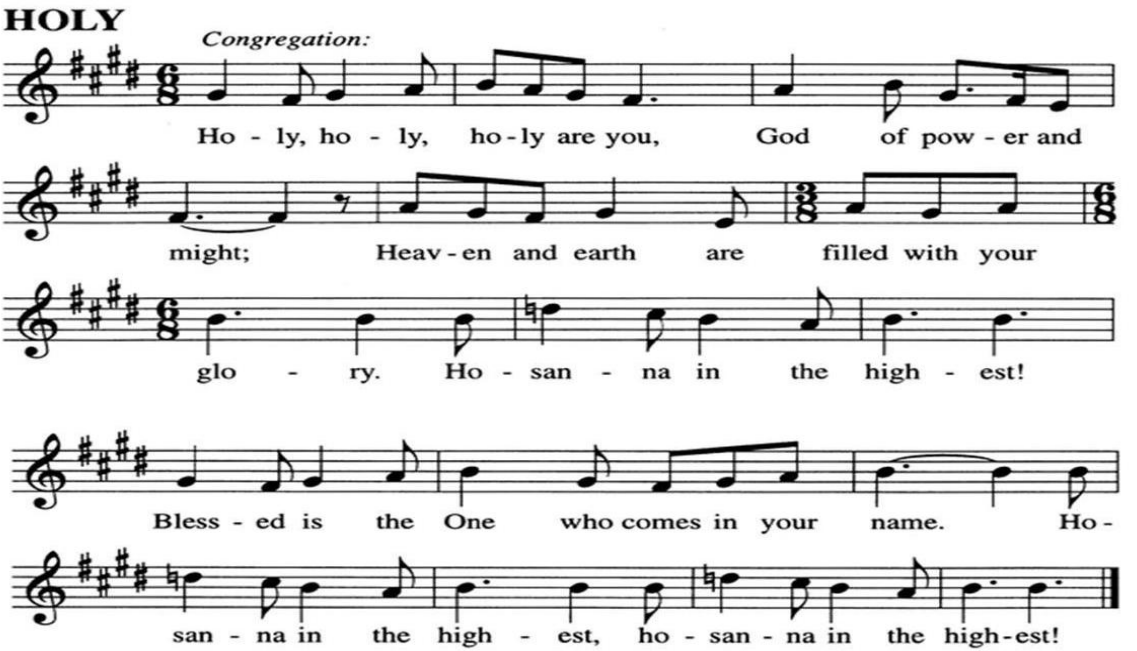
P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is our duty and delight that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, O God, through Jesus Christ, who calls us to follow his way of humble service and love, and so with the church on earth, all creation and the host of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



P Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world, you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life.
We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.
Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

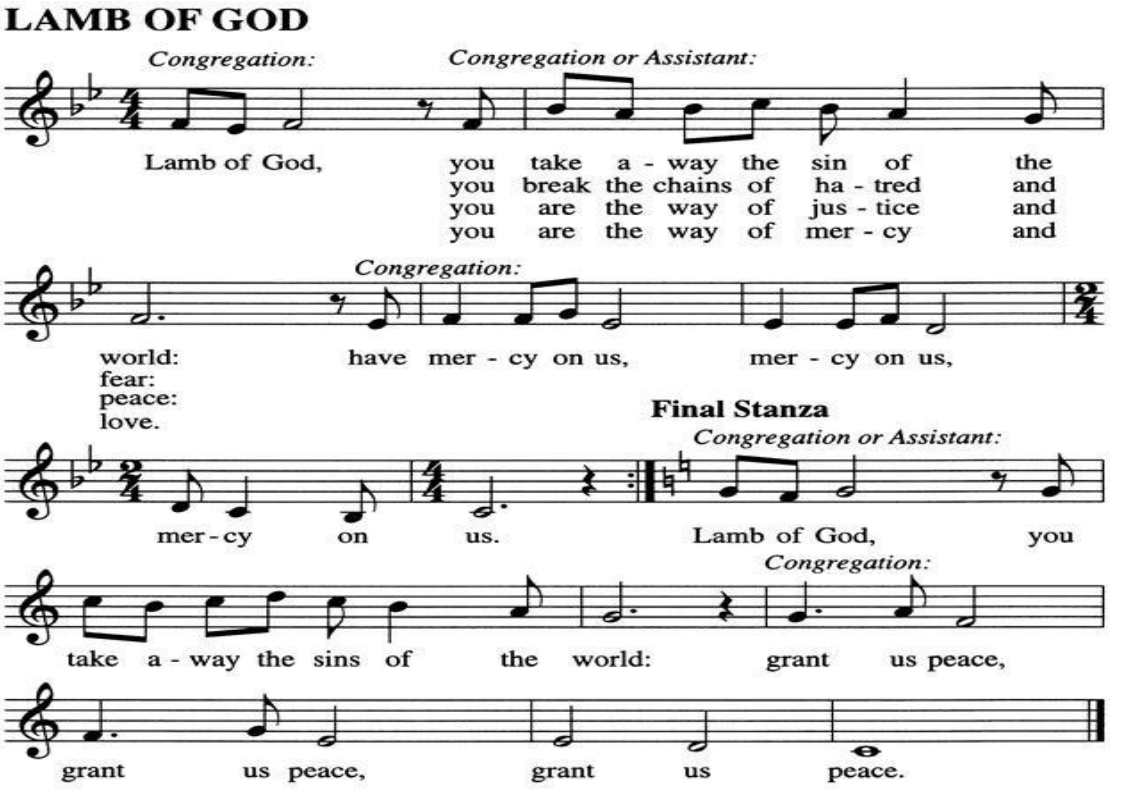
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Communion is open to all baptized believers who know Jesus as Savior and seek to live with him as Lord of all areas of life. You receive the wafer in your hand and choose from the individual cup of wine or white grape juice**. Those who are not communing as well as children may come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms in front of your chest to receive a blessing**. Everyone should complete a slip found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. Consider the options on reverse side as to how you may serve this congregation.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen**

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION



SENDING

542 O Living Bread from Heaven



Text: Johann Rist, 1607–1667; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
Music: Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876

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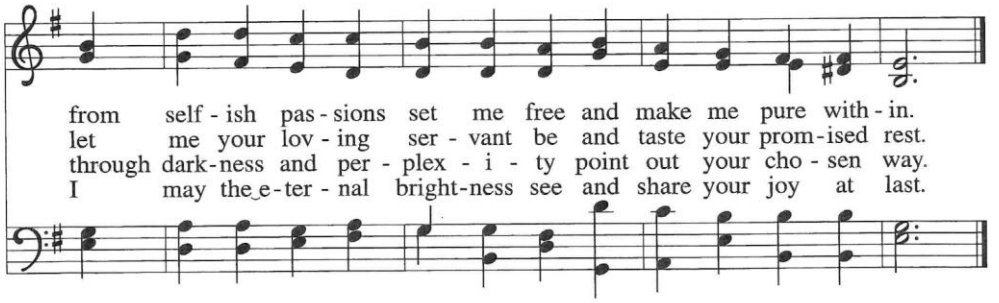
599 Lord Jesus, Think on Me



Text: Synesius of Cyrene, 375–430; tr. Allen W. Chatfield, 1808–1896, alt.
Music: W. Daman, *The Psalmes of Dauid*, 1579, alt.

SOUTHWELL
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CONFESSION, FORGIVENESS



GRACE, FAITH

Jesus Loves Me! 595



Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive 605



1 "For - give our sins as we for - give," you taught us, Lord, to pray;
2 How can your par - don reach and bless the un - for - giv - ing heart
3 In blaz - ing light your cross re - veals the truth we dim - ly knew:
4 Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls and bid re - sent - ment cease;



but you a - lone can grant us grace to live the words we say.
that broods on wrongs and will not let old bit - ter - ness de - part?
how tri - fling oth - ers' debts to us; how great our debt to you!
then, by your mer - cy rec - on - ciled, our lives will spread your peace.

Text: Rosamond E. Herklots, 1905–1987, alt.
Music: *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844
Text © Oxford University Press

DETROIT
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POST COMMUNION BLESSING *(please stand)*

P **T**he Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you safe in His Grace until everlasting life.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(together we pray)*

C Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. Amen.

SENDING HYMN "O Savior Precious Savior" ELW 820



Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879
Music: Arthur H. Mann, 1850–1929

ANGEL'S STORY
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BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you with grace and mercy,
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace

C Amen.

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace, serve the Lord

C Thanks be to God!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIBLE STUDY (Old Testament): We have a new Bible Study beginning Thursday, Nov 12 at 3:00. Judy Zeiss will guide the adventure of discovery through the Old Testament people, events and prophecies. The title of the study is: "The Old Testament: Our Mess, God's Message." Bring your Bibles, bring your questions, pray for blessing as we journey together. The meeting will be held in the Fellowship Hall Classroom. Everyone is welcome!

GIFTS: Social Concerns will be accepting gifts for foster children starting November 1 through November 29. We are helping sponsor 23 foster, children ages including an 18 year old girl and a 2-week-old baby. Please place unwrapped gifts in the boxes in the narthex. Take a star from the tree in the narthex to give you some ideas. Thank you for your generosity.



Just a heads up, Good Gifts project for ELCA global missions. We will be accepting donations from December 5 - 13. Your purchase of an animal or another resource will benefit global missions. A few volunteers are needed to accept donations at each service on those weekends. Contact Evelyn Trone or Carol Schock if you can help.

Bingo: Saturday, November 14th @ 1 pm is our monthly 'Bingo'. If you bring an item for the Yuma Food Pantry you will receive 1 additional card. Come join the fun, food & fellowship…. and see how Carol Schock shows up this month.

STEPHEN MINISTRY RETREAT: All Stephen Ministers are encouraged to attend a retreat/luncheon on Thursday, November 19th from 11 am-1 pm at Izzie's Diner on Foothills Blvd. It's an opportunity to share fellowship and discuss our 2026-27 schedule. We will also be having a very brief continuing education discussion around chapter 1 of the book entitled, "Don't Sing Songs to a Heavy heart". If you don't have a copy of this book, let us know. We hope to see all Stephen Ministers there!

Thanksgiving Dinner: We will be serving dinner at 12 pm on Thursday, November 26 for anyone interested. We are providing the turkey & gravy and mashed potatoes. We are asking you to provide the sides for the meal. Please complete the enclosed form and place in the offering if you plan to attend.

Aluminum Cans: As you know, Gloria de Cristo recycles aluminum cans ONLY. I have an automatic can crusher that I use to smash them so I would appreciate if you would leave your can whole and let me do the crushing. Please bring them as you see in the left photo and **do not** crush them as you see in the right photo. They will only jam in the crusher which makes it a difficult job for me. Thanks for your help in making my job simpler, *David Donaldson*

Surviving the Holidays Seminar: Saturday November 21, 2026. At Gloria de Cristo in the Fellowship Hall. Registration 8am to 8:45am program
begins at @ 9:00am to 12:00pm. Some snacks will be provided.
If you or someone you know is grieving the death of a person close to them, please invite them to join us for this seminar. It can help to ease anxiety of the upcoming holidays. It gives practical tips on how to deal with the
added stress that comes with the season. There is a $7.00 charge for the booklet that is provided.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	Altar	Ushers	Greeter/Comm.	Readers	AV
11/7	Jan	J. Greenfield/C. Schock	M. Jones/S. Noltemeyer	Jeanie Volpe	Gary/Linda
11/8	Nancy	Mike & Lois Gustafson	Dave/Nancy Griffiths	Jim Bryant	Char/Dave
11/8	Joanne	Lisa Crayne/A. Archuleta	Ted/Niki Duffy	Lisa Crayne	Michelle/Tom

Attendance: October 31 = 34
November 1 (8:30) 56; (10:15) 49 = Total of 139

CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
Mon. 11/9	9 am	Glorious Quilters	Fellowship Hall
Mon. 11/9	11 am	Alanon	Fellowship Classroom
Mon. 11/9	1 pm	Bible Study (Acts) NT Bible Study	Fellowship Classroom
Tues. 11/10	9 am	Coffee With Jesus	Fellowship Hall
Tues. 11/10	11:-00 am	Coffee Club	Fellowship Hall
Tues. 11/10	12:30 pm	Chair Aerobics	Fellowship Hall
Tues. 11/10	6:30 pm	Fireside	Fellowship Classroom
Wed. 11/11	9 am	Line dance exercise	Fellowship Hall
Wed. 11/11	12 pm	Chair Aerobics	Fellowship Hall
Wed. 11/11	4:45 pm	Bells of Glory	Sanctuary
Wed. 11/11	5:45 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Thurs. 11/12	9 am	Bazaar Craft Workshop	Fellowship Hall
Thurs. 11/12	10 am	Prayer Fellowship	Sanctuary
Thurs. 11/12	11:30 am	Chair Aerobics	Fellowship Hall
Thurs. 11/12	3 pm	Our Mess-God's Message (OT Bible Study)	Fellowship Classroom
Thurs. 11/12	5:15 pm	Guitar Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Thurs. 11/12	6:30 pm	Fireside	Fellowship Classroom
Friday 11/13	8 am	TOPS	Fellowship Hall
Friday 11/13	10:30 am	Spanish/English Conversation	Fellowship Classroom
Friday 11/13	10 am	Arts and Crafts Social	Fellowship Hall
Friday 11/13	1 pm	Stephen Ministry Training	Fellowship Classroom
Sat. 11/14	9 am	Tops	Nursery
Sat. 11/14	1 pm	Bingo	Fellowship Hall
Sat. 11/14	**4 pm**	**Worship with Communion**	**Sanctuary**
Sunday 11/15	**8:30 am**	**Worship with Communion**	**Sanctuary**
Sunday 11/15	**10:15 am**	**Worship with Communion**	**Sanctuary**
Sunday 11/15	12:15 pm	GriefShare	Fellowship Classroom
Sunday 11/15	1 pm	Foothills Social Group	Fellowship Hall

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