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*Thankoffering Sunday*

**25th Sunday after Pentecost**

**November 15, 2015**

**Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 4**

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**GATHERING**

*Congregation reads* ***bold print****. \*Please stand*

**PRELUDE**

**BELL**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*GATHERING**

Blessed be the holy Trinity + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. **Amen**

**\*LITANY FOR GATHERING**

This is the day that the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Today brings the gift of life.

**Creator, you make us in your image.**

Today brings all we need to live with purpose.

**Inviter, you call us to discipleship in Jesus Christ.**

Today brings the strength to live more fully.

**Inspiring one, you empower us by the Holy Spirit.**

Today brings women of many generations who grow together in faith and affirm andsupport one another.

**Companion, you embolden us with community.**

Today brings a world in need of healing and wholeness.

**Healer, you engage us in ministry and action.**

For the church, the society, and the world, God, we humbly enter this worship.

**Prepare our hearts.**

We hear you calling, O God.

**Make us bold to listen and to follow. Amen.**

**\*GATHERING HYMN** *Let All Things Now Living*  **ELW #881**

**\*GREETING ELW p. 147**

**\*KYRIE**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE *Glory to God*  ELW p. 147**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY:** L: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

L: Let us pray. *Silence*  Creator God,

**You call us into relationship with you and with all of creation. In Jesus you gave us mercy beyond our understanding and showed us how to live with grace toward each other. Your blessings are like the dew in the morning and the stars in the heavens, not to be counted but to be received with thanksgiving and generously shared. Keep us moving always toward you and our neighbor, eager to share and receive. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.**

**WORD**

**FIRST READING: Daniel 12:1-3**

1“At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. 2Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. 3Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 16** *please read responsively the* ***bold*** *print*

 1Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the Lord, “You are my Lord,

my good above all other.”

  2**All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble**

**among the people.**

 3But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

 4**I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names**

**upon my lips.**

 5O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

  6**My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**

 7I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

 8**I have set the Lord always before me; because God is at my right hand,**

**I shall not be shaken.**

 9My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

 10**For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.**

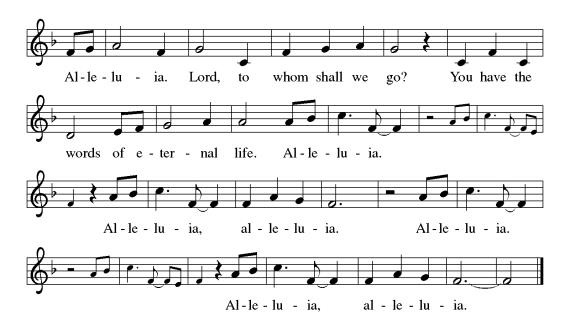
 11You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your

right hand are pleasures forevermore.

**SECOND READING: Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25**

11Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. 12But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” 13and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” 14For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. 19Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, 20by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), 21and since we have a great priest over the house of God, 22let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. 23Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. 24And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, 25not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *Alleluia Lord, to whom shall we go*

**\*GOSPEL: Mark 13:1-8**

The holy gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

1As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” 2Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”   3When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 4“Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” 5Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. 6Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. 7When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. 8For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.”

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

**SERMON**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY** *Praise and Thanksgiving* **ELW #689**

**\*APOSTLES’ CREED (*on the salmon sheet in the back of the red hymnal) or* ELW p. 152**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**PEACE** L: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

**OFFERING: THANKOFFERING**

**\*OFFERTORY** *Create in Me*  **ELW #188**

**\*OFFERING PRAYER** God of grace,

**You have showered us with abundance and entrusted to us the ministries of Women of the ELCA. Accept these offerings to further your mission. Help us to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society and the world. Accept these gifts and this prayer that, nurtured by your Word, filled with your spirit and fed at your table, we may share with gladness all that you have shared with us until all creation is satisfied. Amen.**

**\*THE LORD’S PRAYER** *(sung)*

**SENDING**

**\*BLESSING** God bless you with courage, with peace, and with love, that you may freely live for God and freely give for others.

***Three-Fold Amen.***

**\*SENDING HYMN** *Doxology* **ELW #884**

**\*BELL**

**\*SENDING** L: Go in peace and share in God’s abundance. **C: Thanks be to God!**

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**Readings for Next Sunday:** Christ the King Sunday-various readings

Prayer requests

*We remember in our prayers…all who face catastrophic illness, surgery, and bindings of all kinds as well as the homebound:* ***Bea Behrens, Agnes Carlson, Lisa******Carlson & family, Donna Fisk, and Danny Lang.*** *Be present with your Spirit, Lord, and lead us to be your presence to all. Amen.*

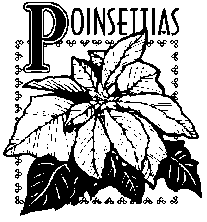
**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**TODAY:** Welcome! *to our guest speaker, Drew Cambell from Mankato. We are also collecting non-perishable food items for Heaven’s Table Food Shelf in Fairmont. For monetary donations, be sure to check your mailbox for your Thankoffering envelope.*

*The flowers on the Thankoffering table are in loving memory of his wife , Ramona Teig and mother, Viola Barge from Jerry Teig.*



We are having a Chili-Fest to welcome Pastor Krista, Matt and kids TODAY after worship at Tom Dodge’s farm place, (2387 210th Ave) on the west side of town. Tom will have two pots of chili going, so please bring something to go with it.



**PLESE SIGN UP TO PURCHASE A POINSETTIA. And help beautify Trinity for the Advent/Christmas season. Find the red inserts in your bulletin.**

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**MONDAY,NOVEMBER 16**-Last day to submit news items to our monthly newsletter

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17**-Mending at Truman Senior Living

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19**-Preschool screening at the church from 8:00-3 pm

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22-Christ the King Sunday**

9-10:00 Sunday School

10-10:30 Gathering time w/kid friendly snacks

10:30 Worship

*Reader: Jerry Teig*

*Ushers: \*Ron Kelley, John Zaharia, Norman Anderson and Grant Hartman*

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

We need families to Sign up to read the Advent Litanies and light the Advent candle on 11/29, 12/6, 12/13 and 12/20. Please volunteer!!

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**THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 25TH AT 7:00 PM**



The Cookie Walk is coming on December 5th. Are you thinking of your fanciest cookies to donate this year? Please sign up when the sheet becomes available. Plus we also need persons to sign up to help work at the church from 7-10:30 am.

STEP Inc. has once again brought its green recycle bin in the hallway at the church. Please bring in your old broken light sets, cords, even phone cords to be recycled by the guys over at STEP Inc.

CREST “Belgian Waffle Feed” Bulletin Blurb

The volunteer caregivers organization “CREST” will be hosting their annual Belgian Waffle Feed on Monday, November 16th from 5-7pm at Grace Lutheran Church, located at 300 South Grant Street in Fairmont. The meal will include 9” malted Belgian Waffles, syrups & toppings, sausages and a beverage. Advance tickets are $7 for adults and $5 for children 6-12 years of age. Kids 5 and under eat free! Tickets are available at the Good News Bookstore, Hy-Vee and Grace Lutheran Church. All proceeds from the event will benefit the caregiving efforts of CREST in Martin County.

Thankofferings: our history

Beginning in the late 19th century, Lutheran women were given small Thankoffering boxes to place in a special location in their homes as a visible reminder of blessings received. Women would add coins to those boxes almost daily as particular blessings were noted. From their use came the idea of an annual church service to celebrate their collection, and so the women of the congregation would come together for a Thankoffering service. The concept of Thankoffering celebrations dates back more than 100 years and beyond Lutherans. The Episcopal Church Women held their first recorded Thankoffering service in 1889, and the World Thank Offering service of the United Methodist Women has been a tradition for over 100 years. In the Lutheran tradition, the General Synod’s Women’s Home and Foreign Missionary Society created their first Thankoffering service in 1889 to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the organization. At that first Thankoffering, $6,100 was collected. Today, Women of the ELCA collects more than $1 million in Thankofferings annually for the ministries and mission of our women’s organization.

Thankofferings: continuing the tradition

Thankofferings show gratitude for God’s blessings and give us an important and tangible way to express that gratitude. It is a tradition grounded in our celebration of community, of meeting together to joyfully give thanks for what God has given us. Thankofferings have always been, and still are, our opportunity to say thank you to God in both significant and ordinary moments