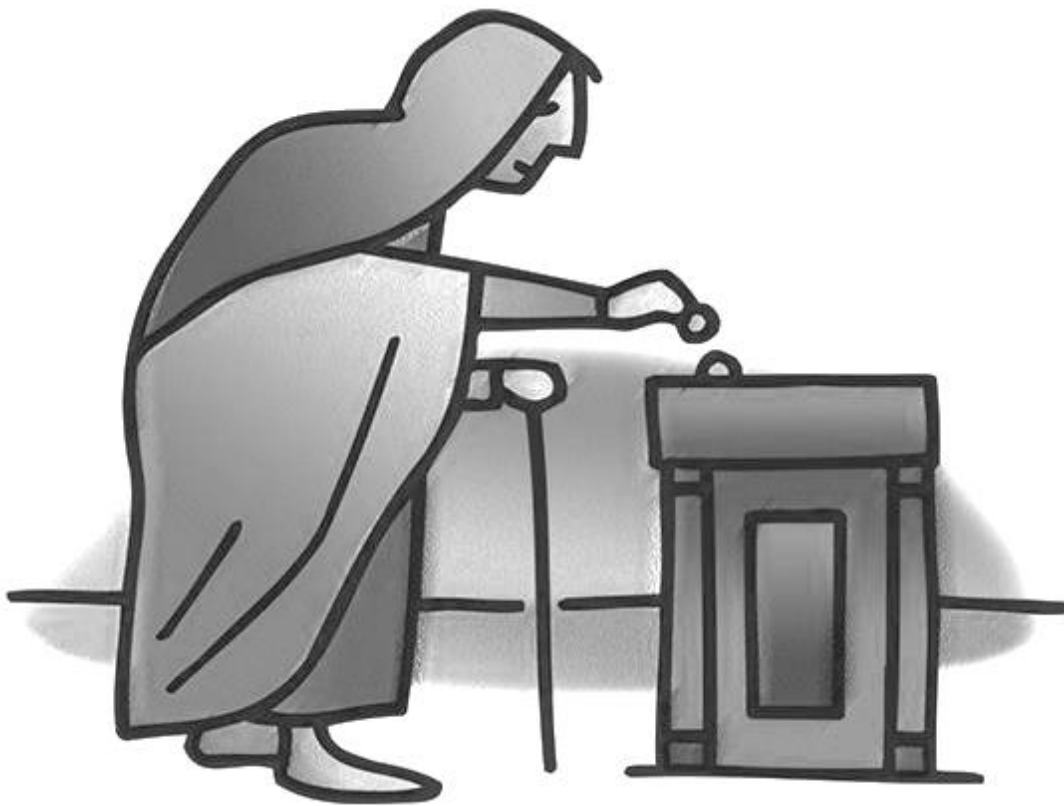


ST. ANDREW'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, November 10, 2024
9:30am Holy Communion Worship Service



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9:30am Holy Communion Worship Service

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TODAY IN WORSHIP

Worship Leader: Pastor Thomas Neel
Organist: Mark Jonkman
Audio-Video Production: John Costanzo
Usher: Linda Trigiani and Ed Schaeffer
Lector: Stefanie Stoudt
Nursery Care Givers: Sue Pettit and Kim Merluzzi

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, our refuge, our delight, our beginning and our end.

C **Amen.**

P Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

A brief silence.

P Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,

C **we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power. We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest. Unbind us and set us free. Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.**

P These words are trustworthy and true: Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever. For his sake, you are ✚ forgiven and God remembers your sin no more. Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation.

C **Amen.**

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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. O God, you show forth your almighty power chiefly by reaching out to us in mercy. Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in the treasures that come through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

Please be seated.

FIRST READING

L A reading from First Kings, Chapter 17.

⁸The word of the LORD came to [Elijah,] saying, ⁹“Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” ¹⁰So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.” ¹¹As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” ¹²But she said, “As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.” ¹³Elijah said to her, “Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth.” ¹⁵She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM **Adagio** Bell Choir

SECOND READING

L A reading from Hebrews, Chapter 9.

²⁴Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; ²⁶for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment,

²⁸so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

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

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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: Mark 12:38-44

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the twelfth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

P ³⁸As [Jesus] taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, ³⁹and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! ⁴⁰They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

⁴¹He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴²A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. ⁴³Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. ⁴⁴For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

P The gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

SERMON

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

For the Fruit of All Creation

Hymnal #679

APOSTLES' CREED

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.

FREE PRAYER

PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Please be seated.

OFFERING

ANTHEM

Follow Peace

Chancel Choir

OFFERING SONG *Let the Vineyards be Fruitful*

Please stand as you are able.

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray. Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup, you offered yourself in love for the world, and in this meal you nourish us with your life. Fill us with your abundance, that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger, trusting in your name.

C Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

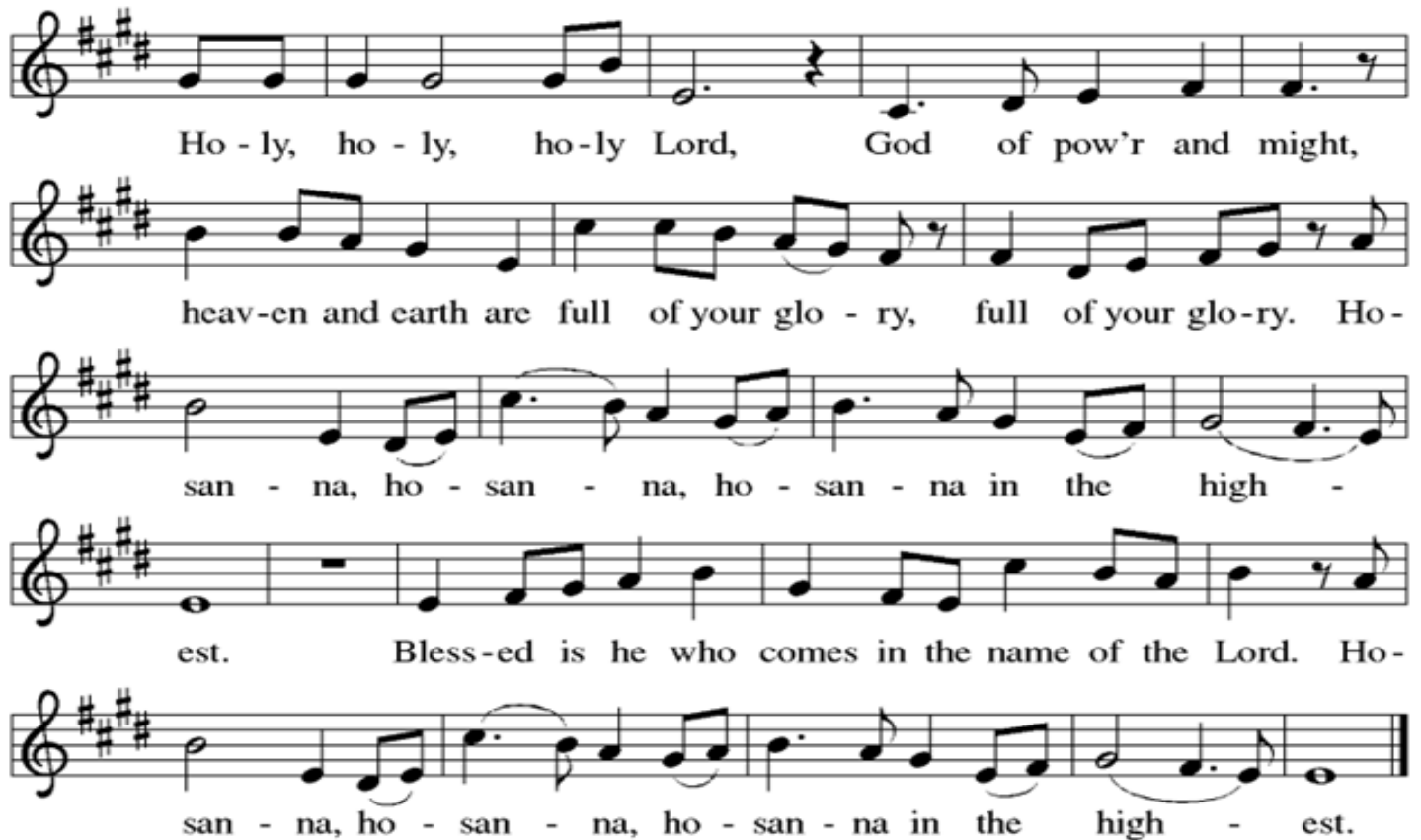
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P It is 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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal: surrounded by evil and bordered by death we appeal to you, our Sovereign, our Wisdom, and our Judge. We praise you for Christ, who proclaimed your reign of peace and promised an end to injustice and harm.

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, the sacrifice of his life and death and the victory of his resurrection, we await with all the saints his loving redemption of our suffering world. Send your Spirit on these gifts of bread and wine and on all who share in the body and blood of your Son: teach us your mercy and justice, and make all things new in Christ. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C 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 Behold, God is making all things new. Take your place in the new creation.

Please prepare for the reception of Communion.

Please be seated.

LAMB OF GOD



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.

Hymn during distribution:

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

Hymnal #751

This is a hymn from the Taizé Community. Taizé Hymns are simple so they can be memorized, so that as you sing you also pray.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

Holy Communion will be celebrated at the base of the steps this day or at your seats. All are welcome to receive the bread and the wine. Gluten free wafers are available for those who want them.

Please stand as you are able. When all have received Communion:

P May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray. Faithful God, you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink in the body and blood of your Son. Now send us out to labor with you, in service to the world you have made, and among the people you have made your home, in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

BLESSING

P The Ancient One, enthroned, the Crucified One, now risen, the Indwelling One, poured out, ✝ bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING SONG

Give Thanks

See Back Cover.

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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BIRTHDAYS...Alexander Baskwell, Margaret Bennett, Ryan Bonser, Cindi Callantine, Deborah Ealer, Corry Fucili, Evan Guydish, Susan Kerbaugh, Lucy Lynch, Jamie Merida, Caralyn Reese, Geoff Reese, Carter Sadler, and Joseph White.

Immediate Prayers: Ashley, Laura Azzalina, Carl, Gary, Deb Henry, Kamilah, Rebecca and Mike Lepkowski, Matt, Nancy, Phil, Irene Rute, Mary Saville, Mike U., and Zach.

Members Homebound/Nursing Home: Margaret Bennett, Shirley Curto, Lisa Detweiler, Carl Fisher, Theresa Lawhead, Irene Neel, Doris Neumeyer, Jim Slater, and Doris Wanamaker.

Long Term Prayers: Jessica Arnoldi, Elaine Bobeck, Rodney Burda, Charlie, John Clay, Crystal DiLonardo, Michael DiLonardo, Debbie DiLonardo, Carol Ehler, Niklas Enblom, Maj-Britt Enblom, Pam Garity, Lori Gilbert, David Jackson, Ingvar Kjellberg, Laura Lee Laustsen, David Laustsen, Paul Laustsen, Barbara Lindner, Ethel Shive, Jim Slater, Melissa Steckel, John Velekei, and Doug VonNessen.

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THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

Sunday, November 10

The Twenty-fifth Sunday After Pentecost

9:30pm *Holy Communion Worship Service

Monday, November 11

Veteran's Day

7:00pm Church Council Meeting via Zoom

7:00pm Parent Partnership Support Group

Tuesday, November 12

7:00pm Easton Musical Arts Rehearsal

Wednesday, November 13

10:00am SAW Meeting

Thursday, November 14

6:30pm Bell Choir

7:30pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, November 15

7:30pm Crossroads AA

Sunday, November 17

The Twenty-sixth Sunday After Pentecost

9:30pm *Holy Communion Worship Service

*This service is live broadcast and recorded.

MONTH OF NOVEMBER

Altar Guild: Linda Trigiani

Offering Counters: Jean Pleiss and Janet Rhymer

ST. ANDREW'S HAPPENINGS

With your help, **Lutheran Disaster Response** will continue to be there to support people affected by Milton, Helene and any other storms that may strike this season. If you would like to donate to help those affected by the hurricanes this season, please write your check or money order to St. Andrew's Lutheran Church and we will send one check with all donations to Lutheran Disaster Response. Please write Hurricane Relief in the check's memo area so we know what it is for.

Community Care is developing ongoing support for the ProJeCt of Easton. To combine our collections with St. Andrews's 70th anniversary, we'd like to collect "70" winter coats, diapers (sizes 4,5,6), and wipes. Boxes will be available in the narthex. We'd like to have all donations ready for delivery by November 24, the week of Thanksgiving. Look for more volunteer information in the future. In the meantime, visit their website. It is a wealth of information: <https://www.projecteaston.org/>.

The annual **Bethlehem/Easton Mission District Christmas Ingathering** is again looking for donations for this Christmas season. No, we are not rushing Christmas like the department stores, but we do need to start collecting so we can meet our goal before the deadline of December 3, 2024. This year we are challenged to collect 175 tubes of toothpaste and 50 toothbrushes. There is a container in the Narthex marked Christmas Ingathering for you to deposit your donations. These donations support New Bethany Ministries, Safe Harbor Shelter, Hellertown Area Food Bank, Community Services, Bright Hope, Turning Point, Victory House and ProJeCt of Easton.

A representative from Luther Crest Senior Center will be the presenter at this Wednesday's SAW (St. Andrew's Women) meeting to talk about the Center. Lunch will be provided, and everyone is welcome. The meeting will be Wednesday, November 13th, beginning at 10am in the Social Room.

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. And
now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

Last time

The musical score is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of seven systems of music. Each system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are placed below the vocal line. The score includes repeat signs and a 'Last time' box above the final system.

Text: Henry Smith

Music: GIVE THANKS, Henry Smith

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