

November 13, 2022

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

Opening Hymn: 508 The Day Is Surely Drawing Near *LSB 508*



1 The day is sure - ly draw - ing near When Je - sus, God's a - noint - ed,
2 The fi - nal trum - pet then shall sound And all the earth be shak - en,
3 The books are o - pened then to all, A rec - ord tru - ly tell - ing
4 Then woe to those who scorned the Lord And sought but car - nal plea - sures,



In all His pow - er shall ap - pear As judge whom God ap -
And all who rest be - neath the ground Shall from their sleep a -
What each has done, both great and small, When he on earth was
Who here de - spised His pre - cious Word And loved their earth - ly



point - ed. Then fright shall ban - ish i - dle mirth, And flames on
wak - en. But all who live will in that hour, By God's al -
dwell - ing, And ev - 'ry heart be clear - ly seen, And all be
trea - sures! With shame and trem - bling they will stand And at the



flames shall rav - age earth As Scrip - ture long has warned us.
might - y, bound - less pow'r, Be changed at His com - mand - ing.
known as they have been In thoughts and words and ac - tions.
judg - e's stern com - mand To Sa - tan be de - liv - ered.

5 My Savior paid the debt I owe
And for my sin was smitten;
Within the Book of Life I know
My name has now been written.
I will not doubt, for I am free,
And Satan cannot threaten me;
There is no condemnation!

Verses 6 & 7 next page ...

6 May Christ our intercessor be
 And through His blood and merit
 Read from His book that we are free
 With all who life inherit.
 Then we shall see Him face to face,
 With all His saints in that blest place
 Which He has purchased for us.

7 O Jesus Christ, do not delay,
 But hasten our salvation;
 We often tremble on our way
 In fear and tribulation.
 O hear and grant our fervent plea:
 Come, mighty judge, and set us free
 From death and ev'ry evil.

Text: Bartholomäus Ringwaldt, 1532–99; tr. Philip A. Peter, 1832–1919, alt.
 Tune: Geistliche Lieder aufs new gebessert, 1535, Wittenberg, ed. Joseph Klug
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Opening Versicles

L This is the day which the Lord has made;
C let us rejoice and be glad in it.
L From the rising of the sun to its setting,
C the name of the Lord is to be praised.

L Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
C I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in
 the tents of the wicked.
L Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
C Teach me Your paths.
L Sanctify us in Your truth.
C Your Word is truth.

L From the rising of the sun to its setting,
C the name of the Lord is to be praised.

C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Old Testament Canticle

Isaiah 12:2b-6 LSB 261

Refrain



☐ The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



He has be - come my sal - va - tion.



With joy will you draw wa - ter from the



wells of sal - va - tion. And you will say in that



day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call up - on His name,



make known His deeds a - mong the peo - ples, pro -



claim that His name is ex - alt - ed."

Refrain



The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



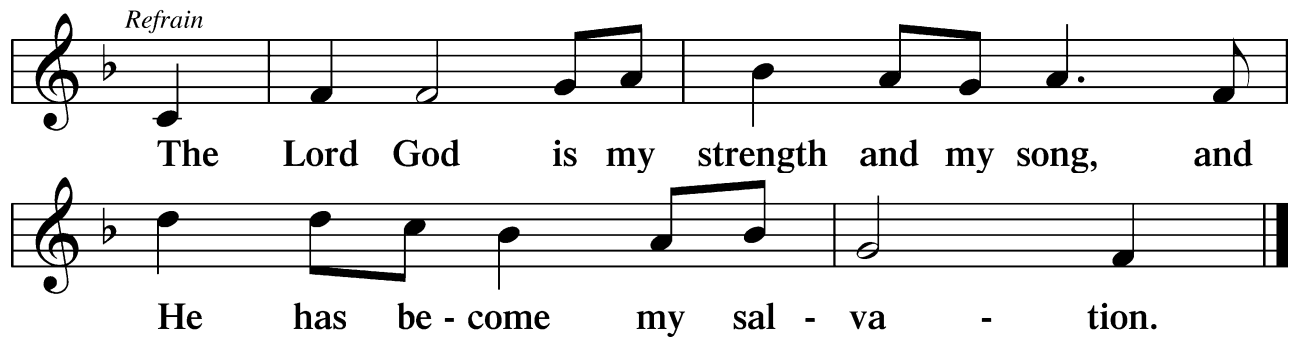
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.



Sing prais - es to the Lord, for He has done

glo - rious - ly; let this be made known in all the
earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O in -
hab - i - tants of Zi - on, for great in your midst is the
Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

Refrain
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.
Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son
and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will
be for - ev - er. A - men.



Sit

Old Testament Reading

Malachi 4:1-6

L A reading from Malachi, chapter 4.

¹ “For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ²But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. ³And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts.

⁴“Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and just decrees that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

⁵“Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. ⁶And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.”

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

2 Thessalonians 3:1-13

L A reading from 2 Thessalonians, chapter 3.

¹Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, ²and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith. ³But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one. ⁴And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we

command. ⁵May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

⁶Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. ⁷For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. ⁹It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. ¹⁰For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. ¹¹For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. ¹²Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.

¹³As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Holy Gospel

Luke 21:5-36

L A reading from Luke, chapter 21.

⁵While some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, [Jesus] said, ⁶“As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.” ⁷And they asked him, “Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?” ⁸And he said, “See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is at hand!’ Do not go after them. ⁹And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once.”

¹⁰Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. ¹¹There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. ¹²But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake. ¹³This will be your

opportunity to bear witness. ¹⁴Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, ¹⁵for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all for my name's sake. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your lives.

²⁰“But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near. ²¹Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, ²²for these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all that is written. ²³Alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! For there will be great distress upon the earth and wrath against this people. ²⁴They will fall by the edge of the sword and be led captive among all nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

²⁵“And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, ²⁶people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

²⁹And he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. ³⁰As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴“But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. ³⁵For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Responsory

- L** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
- C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- L** Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- L** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Catechism

Ten Commandments

- C** You shall have no other gods.
 You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.
 Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
 Honor your father and your mother.
 You shall not murder.
 You shall not commit adultery.
 You shall not steal.
 You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.
 You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
 You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Creed

- C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.

**The third day He rose again from the dead.
 He ascended into heaven
 and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
 From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy Christian Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life ✝ everlasting. Amen.**

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.**

Sit

Announcements

Sermon Hymn: 513 The Clouds of Judgment Gather *LSB 513*



1 The clouds of judg - ment gath - er, The
 2 A - rise, O true dis - ci - ples; Let
 3 The home of fade - less splen - dor, Of
 4 Oh, hap - py, ho - ly por - tion, Re -



time is grow - ing late; Be so - ber and be
 wrong give way to right, And pen - i - ten - tial
 blooms that bear no thorn, Where they shall dwell as
 lief for all dis - tressed, True vi - sion of true



watch - ful, Our judge is at the gate:
 shad - ow To Je - sus' bless - ed light:
 chil - dren Who here as ex - iles mourn;
 beau - ty, Re - fresh - ment for the blest!



The judge who comes in mer - cy, The
 The light that has no eve - ning, That
 The peace of all the faith - ful, The
 Strive now to win that glo - ry, Toil



judge who comes in might To put an end to
 knows no moon or sun, The light so new and
 calm of all the blest, In - vi - o - late, un -
 now to gain that light; Send hope a - head to



e - vil And di - a - dem the right.
 gold - en, The light that is but one.
 fad - ing, Di - vin - est, sweet - est, best.
 grasp it Till hope be lost in sight.

Sermon

Rev. Philip Zielinski

Offering

Note: Please continue to place your offerings into the plates as you enter or leave church as we will not be passing the plates through the congregation. The offering plates will be brought forward at this time to remind us that our offerings are given in thankfulness to Him for His blessings to each of us.

Stand

Prayer

- P** O Lord, in these last days we lift our eyes to Your Son, Jesus Christ, from whom our help comes. Turn us from distress and fear of what is coming on our world to stand confidently in the Word of Christ, which will never pass away. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Heavenly Father, uphold all ministers of Your Gospel and those who hear it gladly, especially all persecuted Christians. Cause that Word to be honored and so deliver them from wicked and evil men. Give a mouth and wisdom to Your people in all adversity to confess You boldly and to endure faithfully to the end. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** We worship You, O Lord, for all Your loving kindness shown to us in Christ, our Savior. Deliver us from fear as we witness the signs of the times and make sober judgment in the face of so many vexing concerns. Remind us that though the nations rage and the powers press against the Church, this is our opportunity to give witness to the Word that does not change and the mercy that is our hope in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord God, we have this command from Your blessed apostles, that we are to be busy at work and not walk in idleness. Strengthen us in the Lord Jesus Christ to do good without weariness. Bless the homes and businesses of this congregation, and give to our people the fruits of their labors. Grant that, in the conduct of our life's work, our hearts may always be directed to the love of God and the steadfastness of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

P Merciful Father, straighten and raise the heads of Your people to look for the resurrection at the Last Day and to live and endure in hope, since our redemption draws near. Sustain Your children in every affliction [*especially _____*]. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty God, give us repentant hearts, that we would eat and drink the body and blood of Jesus for the forgiveness of our sins and to proclaim joyfully His death until He comes in glory. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P As the days pass and all things move to their appointed end, keep us from being complacent. Keep us alert and awake so that when the day comes, we may greet the Lord and rejoice in His eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Collect of the Day

L O Lord, almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may live and abide forever in Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Collect for the Word

L Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Morning Prayer

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

New Testament Canticale

1 Corinthians 15:20a; 5:7b;
Romans 6:9-11 LSB 266

Refrain



C Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.

Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.

Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.

Refrain

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He

lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to

sin and a - live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.

Refrain

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Blessing

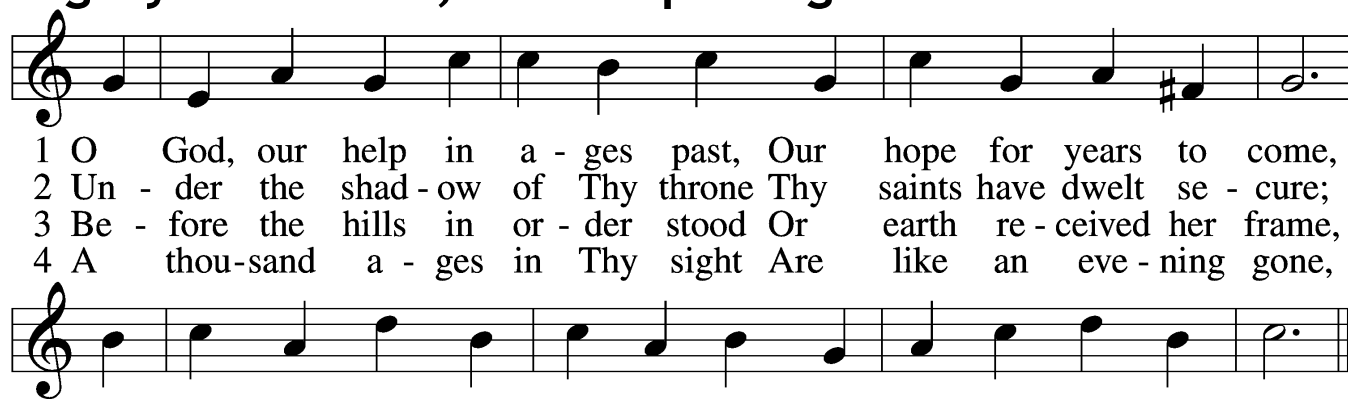
L Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn: O God, Our Help in Ages Past LSB 733 sts. 1-6



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,
 2 Un - der the shad - ow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood Or earth re - ceived her frame,
 4 A thou-sand a - ges in Thy sight Are like an eve - ning gone,

Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home:
 Suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
 From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.
 Short as the watch that ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
 Soon bears us all away;
 We fly forgotten as a dream
 Dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
 Our hope for years to come,
 Be Thou our guard while troubles last
 And our eternal home!

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THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL

Today		No Bible Class
Today	9:15 AM	Sunday School
Today	12:00-2:00 PM	Walk-In Communion
Monday	6-7:30 PM	Confirmation
Tuesday	12:00-2:00 PM	Walk-In Communion
Tuesday	7:00 PM	Elder Meeting
Wednesday	10:00 AM	Bible Study

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Tom & Barb Hadaway on their 46th anniversary.

VOTERS' MEETING is today between services. No Bible class.

CHRISTMAS FAMILY TEA is on Sunday, November 27th, at 2:00 PM. Begin your Advent season with songs from our members and cookies for all! Please see the insert on the Christmas Family Tea and join us whether you are a participant or a worshiper of our Newborn King. Sign-ups are at the Welcome Center.

GOOD STEWARDSHIP Please take a moment to collect your Worship folders, blank attendance slips, used tissues, and any other items left in the pews after leaving Worship services. Thank you kindly!

COMMUNION OPPORTUNITIES

Pastor is still providing individual communion opportunities for the foreseeable future.

1. Check the posted times for “walk-in” communion below.
2. Scheduling an appointment with Pastor at church or in your home.

“Walk-In” times at Church:

- Sundays, 12 – 2pm
- Tuesdays, 5 – 7pm

Scheduling an appointment for communion at church or in your home:

- To schedule a time other than the walk-in times
 - Call Pastor 440-458-0189
 - Visit www.spvc.org and click “Book with Pastor” to see available times for appointments.

TITHES & OFFERINGS are needed; our Lord still provides for us and we return to Him a portion of His generosity. You have several ways to continue contributing:

1. In-person Worship on Sundays at 8:00 & 10:30 AM
2. Mail your contributions to the church.
3. Talk to your bank about “bill-pay” options. They can likely send a check directly to the church on a scheduled basis.
4. Visit www.spvc.org and click on “Give Online” - you’ll be taken to our secure online giving site where you can make a one-time or on-going contribution.

WORSHIP BULLETINS & ATTENDANCE SLIPS You’re encouraged to take home your worship bulletins (use the scriptures, hymns and prayers for your own devotions!). Please use the blue recycle tub that is located in the hallway as you leave the sanctuary to place **ONLY bulletins and unused attendance slips**. Thank you.

IN-PERSON SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS watch LIVE or On-Demand just like our worship services (YouTube, Facebook, or www.spvc.org) on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM.

WATCH LIVE OR ON-DEMAND 8:00 AM on Sundays, or on-demand at YouTube, Facebook, or www.spvc.org – on the homepage is a viewer for the livestream (when active) and for the most recent service. Bulletins are available via the link. Select the bulletin for the date of the service you are watching.

PASTORAL CARE Should you desire pastoral care, please contact the church office 330.483.3883, or 330.483.4119 and leave a message for Pastor.

PORTALS OF PRAYER the Oct-Dec devotion booklets are available in the Narthex hallway, please take one home today.

PRAYER REQUESTS can be sent to prayer@spvc.org (also, email there to join the prayer chain and receive all the updates) ... or ... you may fill out the back side of the attendance slip.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY at 10:00 AM. Attend in-person or watch the stream live and on-demand.

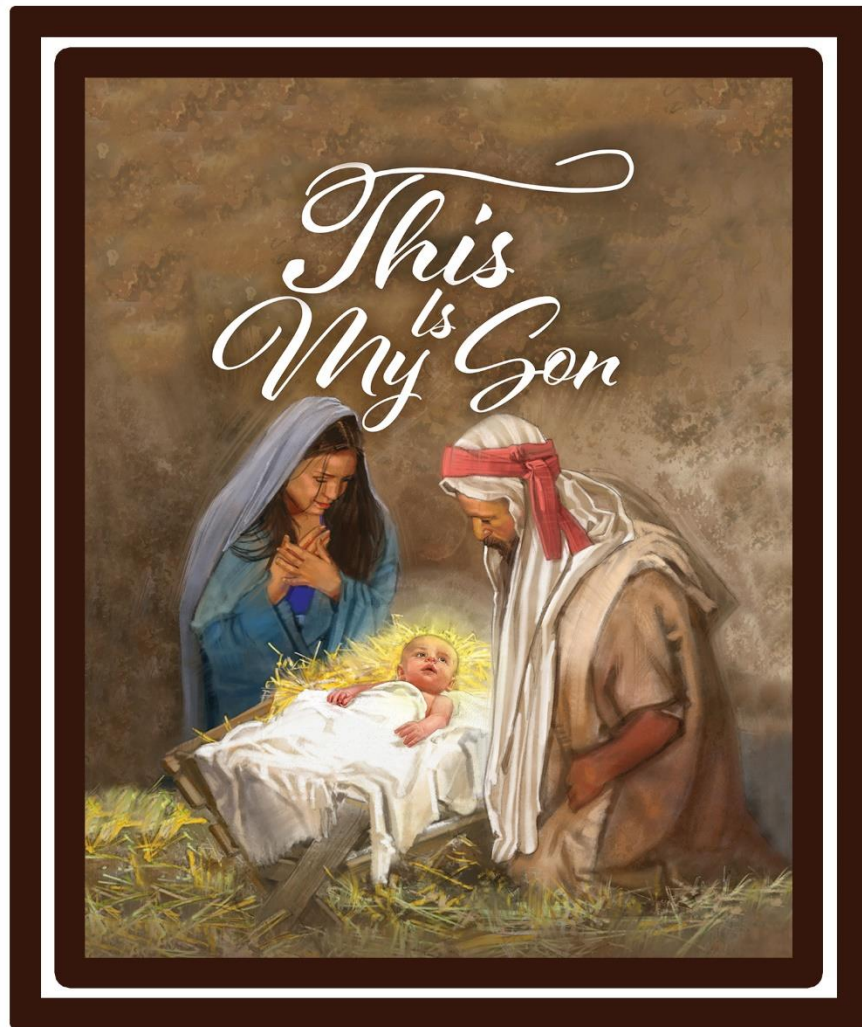
HAPPY 175TH BIRTHDAY to the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod! Merchandise is available from the LCMS Store, such as T-Shirts, travel tumblers, magnets and more to commemorate this special event! Please visit: <https://the-lcms-store.square.site/s/shop>

STUDENT ART CONTEST sponsored by LCEF. Create an art piece that shows what "Only Jesus-No Other Name" means to you! See insert for more details.

SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE We continue to take offerings to provide relief to those affected by the war in Ukraine. Thank you to everyone who has shown their generosity.

THRIVENT FINANCIAL If you're an eligible member, please consider directing Thrivent Choice Dollars to St. Paul Lutheran Church, Valley City, OH.

2022 Choice Dollars expire March 2023, so it's use it or lose it. You may learn more by visiting: www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice or by calling Thrivent at: 1-800-847-4836 and when prompted, say "Thrivent Choice." Thank you for helping to support the mission of St. Paul Church.



Christmas Tea Sunday, November 27, 2:00pm

Wednesdays 11:30 am & 7:00pm (supper @ 6pm)
in Advent December 2, 9, 16, & 23

Sunday School Sunday, December 18
Program 10:30am

Christmas Eve 11:30am 11am Carols by Request
Candlelight Lessons and Carols 4:00pm & 7:00pm
3:30pm & 6:30pm Carols by Request

Christmas Day 10:00am
Sunday, December 25 One worship service.

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Create an art piece that shows what
“Only Jesus–No Other Name” means to you!

TYPES OF ENTRIES:

Drawings, paintings, collages, graphic designs, posters, banners, sculptures, pottery, leather crafts, metal art, beads, baskets, etc.

SUBMISSION LEVELS:

- **Kindergarten-5th Grade:** \$50 LCEF gift card
- **6th-12th Grade:** \$100 LCEF gift card
- **College:** \$200 LCEF gift card

All submissions must be postmarked by **December 1, 2022.**

For more information, visit **lcef.org/art-contest**.

Terms and Conditions

The winners of the contest will be notified by Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF). Artwork is subject to being displayed at the 2023 synodical convention and/or the LCMS International Center and/or LCEF headquarters.

Shipping of artwork is the responsibility of the participant. LCEF is not responsible for loss or damage during mailing. You also will not receive your art piece back. LCEF reserves the right to keep and distribute artwork as necessary for display.

If the contestant misrepresents any information, LCEF reserves the right to revoke the submission.

TOY COLLECTION

MARYSSA'S MISSION

The Maryssa's Mission Foundation serves medically fragile communities. We here at St. Paul Church are collecting **UNWRAPPED** toys for all ages, infants through teens.

Toys will be given out by Santa at Ronald McDonald house of Cleveland, Akron and Columbus, also Ronald McDonald rooms at Cleveland Clinic, Fairview and University hospitals.

We are now accepting UNWRAPPED toys
which will run through
Sunday, December 11th.

PLEASE: (Due to safety issues)
No stuffed toys/animals or toys from the Dollar Tree.

There will be a box in the Narthex for drop off.

Thank you for your caring and giving to these children and their families helping to make their Christmas a joyful and blessed time this Christmas season. God Bless you.



NOVEMBER 2022

	SERVICE	November 6 SUNDAY All Saints Day <i>Communion</i>	November 13 SUNDAY	November 20 SUNDAY <i>Communion</i>	November 23 Wednesday Thanksgiving Eve <i>Communion</i>	November 27 SUNDAY	November 30 Wednesday Advent-1
ELDER	8am	Tim Wadle / Steve Kato	Steve Kato	Tim Wadle / Steve Kato	Jim Jackson / Steve Kato	Tim Wadle	Jim Jackson
	10:30am	Rob Zacharias / Jim Jackson	Sam Jakabcic	Rob Zacharias / Sam Jakabcic	N/A	Jim Jackson	N/A
USHERS	8am	Mark Gordon	Jim Rafter	Chris Duran		Dave Hesketh	
	10:30am	Brian Dearth	Brian Dearth	Jay Moser		Brian Dearth	
GREETERS	8am	Heinrich & Irmgard Cordes	David & Mackenzie Duran	Dean & Beth Bremke		Branko & Charlie Djordjevic	
	10:30am	Elder	Jim Jackson	Elder		Elder	
ELDER INFO							
Stephen Kato 330-242-7183							
Tim Wadle 216-214-7109							
Jim Jackson 330-391-6393							
Rob Zacharias 330-416-6013							
Sam Jakabcic 216-789-1076							

Prayers for Worship

On entering a church

Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. In the multitude of Your tender mercies prepare my heart that I may enter Your house to worship and confess Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, my God and Lord. Amen.

Before worship

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for His sake. Amen.

After worship

Almighty and merciful God, I have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for my many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. I thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep me in faith until I inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Before confession and absolution

Almighty, everlasting God, for our many sins we justly deserve eternal condemnation. In Your mercy You sent Your dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who won for us forgiveness of sins and everlasting salvation. Grant us a true confession that, dead to sin, we may be raised up by Your life-giving absolution. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may be ever watchful and live true and godly lives in Your service; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Before communing

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send me Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

For blessing on the Word

Lord God, bless Your Word wherever it is proclaimed. Make it a word of power and peace to convert those not yet Your own and to confirm those who have come to saving faith. May Your Word pass from the ear to the heart, from the heart to the lip, and from the lip to the life that, as You have promised, Your Word may achieve the purpose for which You send it; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.