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Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



God Give Us Life - Ray Makeever Liturgy
Please leave your offering in the plate at the door
You may stand at times marked with an asterisk (*)

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude and Contemplation

Tena Rackow

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord ☩ Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

C: Amen.

* Hymn *Christ, Be Our Light* ELW # 715

* 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.

* Invocation / Make a Joyful Noise

A: In the name of God the Creator of the world,
in the name of Christ the Son,
in the name of the Holy Spirit,.

C: Amen. Amen.

Refrain: **Make a joyful noise to the Lord.**
Enter in with singing.
Join the festival of Love.
Alleluias ringing.

A: Born of the water we recall
Death defeated, Life for all.
In the body of the risen Son
Welcome everyone.

C: *Refrain:* **Make a joyful noise to the Lord...**

* God of Love, Have Mercy

A: Let us pray to God with peace in our hearts.

C: God of Love, have mercy.

A: For the peace from above let us pray to our God.

C: God of Love, have mercy.

A: For the peace of the world, for the health of the church,
for the unity of all people, pray to our God.

C: God of Love, have mercy. God of love have mercy.

A: For the people of God and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to our God.

C: God of Love, have mercy.

A: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious God.

C: Amen.

* Glory to God

*Refrain: (***Women): Glory to God**
(Men): Glory to God
(All): Glory to God in the highest:
Glory, glory, glory to God above.
Glory to God in the highest:
Glory, glory, glory to the God of Love.

A: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power, riches, wisdom and strength and honor and blessing and glory are God's.

Refrain: **Glory to God…**

A: Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation. Blessing and honor, glory and praise be to God and the Lamb forever and ever.

Refrain: **Glory to God…**

* Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord .

C: Amen.

First Reading: *Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18*

L: A reading from the prophet Zephaniah.

7 Be silent before the Lord GOD! For the day of the LORD is near;
the LORD has prepared a sacrifice and consecrated his guests.
12 At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,
and I will punish the men who are complacent,
those who say in their hearts,
'The LORD will not do good, nor will he do ill.'
13 Their goods shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste.
Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them;
though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them."
14 The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast;
the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter;
the mighty man cries aloud there.
15 A day of wrath is that day, a day of distress and anguish,
a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and thick darkness,
16 a day of trumpet blast and battle cry
against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements.
17 I will bring distress on mankind,
so that they shall walk like the blind,
because they have sinned against the LORD;
their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung.
18 Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them
on the day of the wrath of the LORD. in the fire of his jealousy,
all the earth shall be consumed; for a full and sudden end
he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth. *[ESV]*

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm: *90:1-12*

L: Let us read responsively from Psalm 90.

[1] Lord, you have been our dwelling place
in all generations.

[2] **Before the mountains were brought forth,
or ever you had formed the earth and the world,
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.**

[3] You return man to dust
and say, “Return, O children of man!”

[4] **For a thousand years in your sight
are but as yesterday when it is past,
or as a watch in the night.**

[5] You sweep them away as with a flood; they are like a dream,
like grass that is renewed in the morning:

[6] **in the morning it flourishes and is renewed;
in the evening it fades and withers.**

[7] For we are brought to an end by your anger;
by your wrath we are dismayed.

[8] **You have set our iniquities before you,
our secret sins in the light of your presence.**

[9] For all our days pass away under your wrath;
we bring our years to an end like a sigh.

[10] **The years of our life are seventy,
or even by reason of strength eighty;
yet their span is but toil and trouble;
they are soon gone, and we fly away.**

[11] Who considers the power of your anger,
and your wrath according to the fear of you?

[12] **So teach us to number our days
that we may get a heart of wisdom.** *[ESV]*

Second Reading: *I Thessalonians 5:1-11*

L: A reading from Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians.

5 Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. [2] For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. [3] While people are saying, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. [4] But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. [5] For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. [6] So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. [7] For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. [8] But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. [9] For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, [10] who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. [11] Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing. *[ESV]*

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

* Gospel: *Matthew 25:14-30*

P: The holy Gospel according to Luke.

C: *(sung)* **From the fullness of God**
have we all received grace upon grace,
peace upon peace.

[14] "For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. [15] To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. [16] He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. [17] So also he who had the two talents made two talents more.

[18] But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. [19] Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. [20] And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here, I have made five talents more.' [21] His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' [22] And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here, I have made two talents more.' [23] His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' [24] He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, [25] so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here, you have what is yours.' [26] But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I scattered no seed? [27] Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. [28] So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. [29] For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. [30] And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' *[ESV]*

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: *(sung)* **From the fullness of God**
have we all received grace upon grace,
peace upon peace.

Sermon

Rev. Thomas Mosbo

* Hymn *Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory* ELW # 890

* Nicene Creed

P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**C: 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 whom 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,
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.**

Prayers of Intercession

L: United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

Please respond to each petition with the following:

L: … God, in your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

P: Into your steadfast love, gracious God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved Son, our Lord.
C: Amen.

We lift our prayers for

Lynn Lyvers, Jerry, Denny Bergmann, Rene', Paul Fahr, Gary Hudik, Virgil Martin, Caroline Jam, Cyndy Schumacher, Virgil Gordon, Jerry Martin, Donna Christen, Richard Freitag, Sherry Freitag, Connor Stadermann, Ryse Stone, Joyce, Terri, Tina, Julie, Jamie, Crystal, Katie, Christian, Anna, Abby, Karla, Jacob and his family, Richard Gordon, Kathy, Charlie, Brad, Sue, Emma, Cindy, Connie, Pam, Caroline, Tina D.,Jim DeMontigny Jr., Norman, Vivian, Tina Cheeney, Brenda, Christine Beyer, Bob Schulz, Kenny Frie, Steve Rothschadl, Gary L. Hartwig, Josh, Hannah, Ray Phillips, Susan, Allison Biddick, Brad Rackow, Kim Choin, Jeannie, Dianne, Nancy, Pat McCluskey, Jim Briggs, Sandi, Tina, Jim, Ronald Schrader, Christine S., Carol Lartz, Amy, Leta Toelke and Pr. Paul Carlson. Pray for love, peace, comfort and hope of resurrection for the family and friends of Neil Diddens

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.
C: And also with you.

Please greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

Choir Anthem ***Simple Gifts***

Setting the Table

C: *(sung)* **Come bring them to the table.**
Bring the gifts of bread and wine,
The hopes and dreams of all the people,
the offering of our lives. *(repeat)*

Responses

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.

Eucharistic Prayer

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord…
all honor and glory, now and forever.
C: Amen.



Lord's Prayer

P: Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has 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.

Christ Have Mercy on Us All

C: *(sung)* **Christ have mercy on us all,**
Hold us steadfast e'er we fall.
Break the bread, Pour the Wine, Come and dine.

God be with us at the feast,
Grant us wisdom, give us peace.
Break the bread, Pour the Wine, Come and dine.

Holy Spirit, breathe again,
Light the darkness, be our friend.
Break the bread, Pour the Wine, Come and dine.

Bake a great loaf, give it time.
Choose the best grapes from the vine.
Break the bread, Pour the Wine, Come and dine.

Communion

All are welcome to come to receive Christ's body and blood
or you may come to receive a blessing

Now the Body Broken

After all have received:

C: *(sung)* **Now the body broken, Now the blood is shed.**
Now the eyes are open to the Living Bread:
Bread of Life, Bread of Hope, Bread of Peace.

Now with wills united, Now with open hands,
Now with hearts delighted Hear our God's command:
"Share the Life, Share the Hope;
Share the Life, Share the Hope;
Share the Life, Share the Hope, Share the Peace.

Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you,
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you,
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace,

In the name of the Father, ☩ and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit..

C: Amen.

* Hymn *O God, Our Help in Ages Past* **ELW # 632**

* Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude Tena Rackow

Attendance - November 1st
In-person 30, Online - not available

Chime and Choir Practice **Today**

Chimes at 10:45am.
Choir at 11:15am.

Good Shepherd **Sunday School**, November 22nd.

Hannah Circle

*Will **not** be meeting in December.*

Friendship Club

Friendship Club will meet on December, 10th
at 12:30pm for potluck.
Entertainment will be provided by Mississippi Man

Good Shepherd Council Meeting

Thursday, December 10th at 6:30pm

Good Shepherds Children's Christmas Program

"A Savior's Birth"

Sunday, December 13th during 9:30 Worship Service

Practice Saturday, December 12th time to be determined.

Piece Corps Quilting Group

Meets every Wednesday, from 8:00-11:30 am.
Come to enjoy a morning of fellowship and fun.

Le-Win Food Pantry

Good Shepherd will be at the Le-Win Food Pantry December 26th, from 8:20am-11:30am.

Men's Group

Meeting in December 26th at 4:30pm.

Please be sure that any *offering contribution you would like credit for this year, is received prior to the end of worship on*
Sunday, December 27, 2026.
Contribution received after that time will be credited in 2027.
Thank you for your cooperation.

"Reflect upon your present blessings, of which every man has plenty; not on your past misfortunes, of which all men have some." - *Charles*

Christmas Eve
Candlelight Worship Service, 7:00pm
Communion will be served.

Christmas Morning
Worship Service at 9:30am
Communion will **not** be served.

Christmas is approaching, it's time to place your poinsettia order.



Poinsettia Orders must be placed by December 7th.

Price has not been determined at this time.

Please complete the form below and mail it, drop it off at the church office

Poinsettia Order

Given by: _____

phone # : _____

Given (check one)

___ in memory of... ___in honor of...

Name (s) _____

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