



# ADVENT EVANGELICAL *Lutheran Church*

All Saints Sunday  
November 9, 2025  
8:00 AM




**LUTHERAN BOOK OF WORSHIP  
ORDER OF WORSHIP**



Advent Evangelical Lutheran Church  
45 Worthington Mill Road  
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Welcome Visitors! Discover god's abundant grace and love.

*We extend a cordial welcome to all who worship with us today. We give thanks that you are here with us. Please sign our guest book and come back to worship with us again.*



*In the principal service of Christian worship, the Holy Spirit gathers people around the means of grace—the saving Word of God and the sacraments. From the table of communion where Jesus Christ comes with forgiveness, life, and salvation, God sends us out to share the good news and to care for those in need. The basic pattern of this service—gathering, word, meal, sending—is a structure that allows for freedom and flexibility in the ways worship may be shaped locally, while focusing on what the church holds in common. The whole people of God are joined by the same gifts of grace, for the sake of the same mission of the gospel, into the life of the one triune God.*

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## Gathering <sup>1</sup>

**Prelude** *(a time for silent meditation)*

### **Announcements**

### **Confessions and Forgiveness <sup>2</sup>**

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: 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.**

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 is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

**C: Amen**

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

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<sup>1</sup> The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

<sup>2</sup> On the day of Christ's resurrection, and at other times, God gathers us in Christian assembly. We confess our sin and hear God's word of forgiveness. We give thanks for God's mercy in the gift of baptism.

## Gathering Hymn <sup>3</sup>: “Blessed Assurance”

WOV 699



- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
- 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
- 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.  
an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.  
watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.

### Refrain



This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:



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Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915

Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908

## 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.

## Hymn of Praise



Ⓒ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,



al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. ① Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was



slain, whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.

<sup>3</sup> Singing at the gathering may include hymns old and new; a prayer for God's mercy to fill the church and the world; a canticle of praise to God's glory revealed in Jesus Christ.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,  
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. II Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and  
 strength, and hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his.  
 This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,  
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. I Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and  
 join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or, glo-ry, and  
 might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.  
 This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,  
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. II For the Lamb who was  
 slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.  
 This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

## Prayer of the Day <sup>4</sup>

P: O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

## Word <sup>5</sup>

### First Reading: Job 19:23-27a

<sup>23</sup> “O that my words were written down!  
O that they were inscribed in a book!  
<sup>24</sup> O that with an iron pen and with lead  
they were engraved on a rock forever!  
<sup>25</sup> For I know that my vindicator lives  
and that in the end he will stand upon the earth;  
<sup>26</sup> and after my skin has been destroyed,  
then in my flesh I shall see God,  
<sup>27a</sup> whom I shall see on my side,  
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.”

*Word of God, Word of Life.*

C: Thanks be to God.

### Psalm: Psalm 17:1-9

<sup>1</sup> Hear a just cause, O LORD; give heed to my cry;  
listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.  
<sup>2</sup> **Let my vindication come forth from your presence;  
let your eyes be fixed on justice.**  
<sup>3</sup> Examine my heart, visit me by night,  
melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.  
<sup>4</sup> **I have not regarded what others do;  
at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent.**  
<sup>5</sup> My footsteps hold fast to your well-worn path;  
and my feet do not slip.  
<sup>6</sup> **I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me;  
incline your ear to me and hear my words.**  
<sup>7</sup> Show me your marvelous lovingkindness,  
O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise against them.

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<sup>4</sup> During the gathering, the presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the name of the triune God. The presiding minister gathers the assembly into prayer.

<sup>5</sup> God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song. The word of God is proclaimed within and by the gathered assembly. The first Bible reading, usually from the Old Testament, is followed by a psalm sung or spoken in response. The second reading, usually from the New Testament letters, bears the witness of the early church. We acclaim the living Word, Jesus Christ, present in the gospel reading. Preaching brings God's word of law and gospel into our time and place to awaken and nourish faith.

<sup>8</sup> **Keep me as the apple of your eye;**  
**hide me under the shadow of your wings,**  
<sup>9</sup> from the wicked who assault me,  
from my deadly enemies who surround me.

**Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17**

<sup>1</sup> As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, <sup>2</sup> not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. <sup>3</sup> Let no one deceive you in any way, for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. <sup>4</sup> He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. <sup>5</sup> Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

<sup>13</sup> But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. <sup>14</sup> For this purpose he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>15</sup> So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

<sup>16</sup> Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, <sup>17</sup> comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

*Word of God, Word of Life.*

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation**



P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 20<sup>th</sup> chapter.

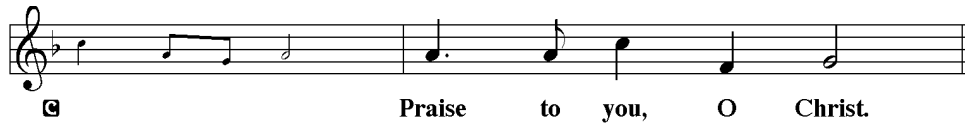


**Gospel: Luke 20:27-38**

<sup>27</sup> Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] <sup>28</sup> and asked him a question: "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. <sup>29</sup> Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; <sup>30</sup> then the second <sup>31</sup> and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. <sup>32</sup> Finally the woman also died. <sup>33</sup> In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

<sup>34</sup> Jesus said to them, “Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, <sup>35</sup> but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. <sup>36</sup> Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. <sup>37</sup> And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. <sup>38</sup> Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



## Sermon

### Hymn of the Day <sup>6</sup>: “Shall We Gather at the River” WOY 690



- 1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
- 2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
- 3 Ere we reach the shin-ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
- 4 Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv - er, soon our pil-grim-age will cease;



with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow-ing by the throne of God?  
we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap-py gold - en day.  
grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro-vide a robe and crown.  
soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel-o - dy of peace.

#### Refrain



Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau-ti-ful, the beau-ti-ful riv - er;



gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899  
Music: HANSON PLACE, Robert Lowry

<sup>6</sup> God's word is further proclaimed as we sing and as we confess our faith with the whole church. After praying for the whole world, we receive and extend to one another the gift of Christ's peace.



## ***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 into hell.  
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.**

## ***Prayer of the Church***

*Each petition ends with:* Hear us, O God,

**C: Your mercy is great.**

## ***Sharing of the Peace***

**P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.**

**C: And also with you.**

## ***The Offering*** <sup>7</sup>

*Please leave your offering on our website:* <https://secure.myvanco.com/YJ34/home>

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<sup>7</sup> A collection of material goods for the church's mission, including the care of those in need, is a sign of the giving of our whole selves in grateful response for all God's gifts. The table is set with bread and wine.

## The Offertory

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.

The musical score is written on six staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a common time signature (C). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The piece concludes with a double bar line.

## Offertory Prayer

P: Let us pray... Merciful Father,

**C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving**  
what you have first given us –  
ourselves, our time, and our possessions,  
signs of your gracious love.  
Receive them for the sake of him  
who offered himself for us,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## The Great Thanksgiving <sup>9</sup>

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

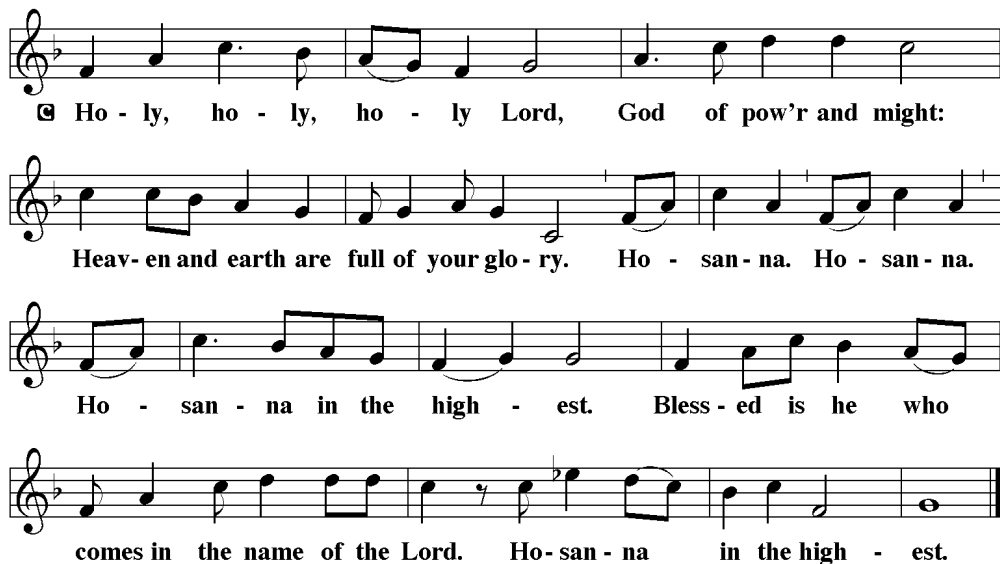
P: Lift up your hearts.

**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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...stays (*preface continues with words for the season and concludes...*) we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heav - en and earth are 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 in the high - est.

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

<sup>8</sup> God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

<sup>9</sup> Before the Lord's supper is shared, the presiding minister leads us into thanksgiving. With the whole creation, we join the angels' song.

## Lord's Prayer <sup>10</sup>

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

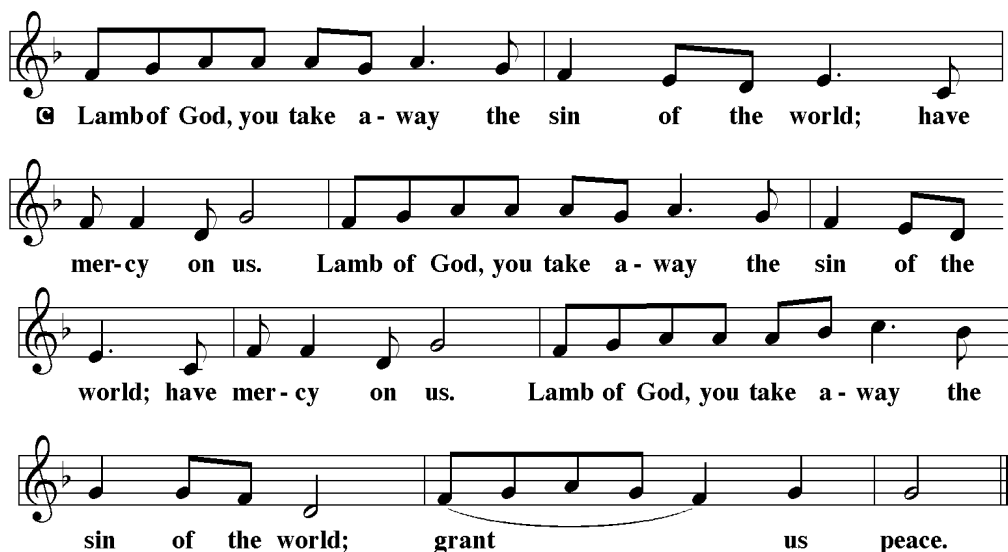
Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

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 <sup>11</sup>

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.



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.

## Distribution

The body of Christ, given to you.  
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

<sup>10</sup> The grace of God's gift is always proclaimed in Jesus' own words of command and promise at the table. A full thanksgiving also includes praise to God for creation and salvation; remembrance of the crucified and risen Christ; and prayer for the Holy Spirit in this meal. The thanksgiving concludes with the prayer our Lord Jesus taught us.

<sup>11</sup> In Christ's body and blood given to us, God forgives us and nourishes us for mission. It is traditional to sing as the bread is broken and as the meal is shared. We ask God to send us in witness to the world.

### Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

### Post-Communion Canticle



☞ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-calls his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

### Prayer after Communion <sup>12</sup>

Let us pray... Living One,  
in this feast you have made yourself known to us.  
Send us now to tell of your wonders,  
sing of your glory,  
and proclaim your risen life  
to a wounded and weary world.

C: Amen.

### Benediction

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.

C: Amen.

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<sup>12</sup> God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world. God's mission includes the gifts of grace that we share in worship and take also to the absent; now, we are sent to continue our participation in God's mission. With the blessing of God, we go out to live as Christ's body in the world.

# **Sending Hymn: "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" LBW 315**



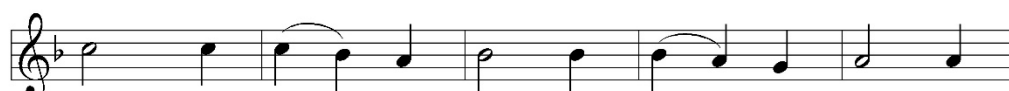
1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of  
 2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to  
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us  
 4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and



heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us thy  
 ev - 'ry trou - bled breast; let us all in  
 all thy life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re -  
 spot - less let us be; let us see thy



hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.  
 thee in - her - it; let us find thy prom - ised rest.  
 turn, and nev - er, nev - er - more thy tem - ples leave.  
 great sal - va - tion per - fect - ly re - stored in thee!



Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion, pure, un -  
 Take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha  
 Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, serve thee  
 Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, till in



bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with  
 and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as  
 as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee  
 heav'n we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.  
 its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

## **Dismissal**

**P:** Go in peace. Share the harvest.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

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## OUR MISSION

- + To **gather** as God's people and nurture one another
- + To **know** the Word of God
- + To **grow** in faith, love, and service
- + To **go** into the world with the Good News of Jesus Christ

## **SERVING OUR LORD IN WORSHIP TODAY**

Pastor	The Rev. Matthew E. Ollikainen
Music Director	Michael Dettra
Lay Reader	David Elkin
Communion Assistant	Janice Hoffmann
Fellowship Time	Open

### Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers are dedicated by:

- ✦ Shirley Morris in loving memory of her son, George, and
- ✦ Jeanne and Tony Gryszka in loving memory of Jeanne's parents, Trudy and Ed.

### Mission Support

Mission Support is dedicated to the Glory of God.

Worship Attendance for Sunday, November 2:      **Total: 52**  
8:00 AM: 13+2      9:30 AM: 30+2      Sunday School: 5

## **Communion Reminder**

The Worship and Music Committee would like to remind the congregation that those going forward to the altar for communion have a few options. There is gluten-free bread in the small clear glass bowl, and white grape juice for those who prefer. Just let the Pastor or assistant know your preference.

## **Praise Band and Vocal Choir Rehearsals**

Rehearsals for both Praise Band and Vocal Choir are held on Wednesday evenings.

Praise Band: 5:30 PM – 6:15 PM

Vocal Choir: 6:15 PM – 7:00 PM

*If you are interested in sharing your musical talents through Praise Band and/or Vocal Choir, please contact Mike Dettra, Music Director.*



## **Call for Worship Assistants**



Advent needs volunteers to assist with worship services! Training is provided for those interested in serving as Lay Reader, Communion Assistant, Acolyte or Greeter.

Volunteers can also assist behind the scenes with set up prior to services. Contact Kristi

Ward for more information: [kward1411@yahoo.com](mailto:kward1411@yahoo.com) or 215-284-2669.

## **Contacting Pastor Matt**

If you need to speak with Pastor Matt when he is not in the office,

particularly in the case of a pastoral emergency, please feel free to call his cell at 215-859-3778 or email him at [pastormattolikainen@gmail.com](mailto:pastormattolikainen@gmail.com).



### God Sightings – Individuals and their Spiritual Gifts

Please take the time to reflect on how God is seen in your life through actions and/or spiritual gifts that you or someone in your life has done. On the paper chain link (available in the narthex), please identify the person (if applicable) and the action/spiritual gift through which God is being seen. For example, "Grandmom taught me how to bake a pie." The person who is displaying God should be underlined and the action or spiritual gift should be underlined twice.

### Thursday Night Bible Study via Zoom

***Most Thursdays except the first Thursday of the month***

Thursday Night Bible Study now offers you an opportunity to "Stump the Pastor!" Submit your scripture-related questions via email to [adventlutheranrichboro@gmail.com](mailto:adventlutheranrichboro@gmail.com) with "Stump the Pastor" in the subject line OR handwrite your questions on the Stump the Pastor slips located in a basket on the round table in the narthex. George Henry will tabulate the questions and select those to be answered each week during the Zoom Bible Study.

A weekly commitment is not needed! Come virtually with your Bible or just listen and follow along as your schedule allows. **Zoom link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82089110140>

### Dedications for Sunday Services

*Payments for dedications may be made using the marked envelopes by the sign-up charts.*

*Please place payment in the offering plate or mail payment to the church at*

*45 Worthington Mill Road, Richboro, PA 18954.*

*Please write check to **Advent Evangelical Lutheran Church***

*and write **Altar Flowers** or **Mission Support** in the memo line on your check.*

#### 2025 Altar Flowers Chart

The 2025 Flower Chart to dedicate altar flowers each Sunday is on the table in the narthex. The cost is \$25 per bouquet, and you are welcome to take the flowers home following the late service. You can also call the church office to submit your mission dedication: 215-355-2529

#### 2025 Mission Support

The 2025 Mission Support Chart is available for sign up on the table in the narthex. Mission Support Dedication donations benefit our sister church, Iglesia Luterana Nueva Creacion, which does vital work in North Philadelphia. Dedication donations are \$25. You can also call the church office to submit your mission dedication: 215-355-2529



### Sunday School Assistants Needed

Our Sunday school program is presently in need of an assistant for each weekly class. Our policy requires us to have two responsible persons to lead a class. At this time, we have one experienced teacher who teaches every week.

In order to provide an assistant, a sign-up sheet is in the narthex for volunteers to offer their help, one Sunday at a time. Volunteers require a background check. If you can help by serving as an assistant to our teacher in Sunday School at 9:30 AM on one or more Sundays during the school year, please sign an empty space. Thank you to those who have already volunteered!

-Jeanne Gryszka, Sunday School Director

## Donations for Fellowship Time

Fellowship Time is held Sundays directly following the 9:30 AM service. The sign-up sheet to provide refreshments for Fellowship Time is available in the narthex on the refreshment table. Advent supplies hot beverages and paper products.

*If you are looking for a way to assist with Fellowship Time but do not have the time or ability to bake or shop for snacks, please consider donating a few dollars.*

## Prayer Chain

The Prayer Chain is a group of volunteers at Advent who pray every day, confidentially, for people added to the Prayer Chain. Names are maintained for one month unless asked to be removed earlier. To add names to the Prayer Chain:

- ✦ Complete a Prayer Request Card found in the pews of the sanctuary. Please place completed cards in the offering plate, or
- ✦ Submit names by email directly to Linda Weaver at [lindaweaver3@comcast.net](mailto:lindaweaver3@comcast.net).

*If you would like to be a Prayer Chain volunteer, please contact Linda Weaver.*

## Our Daily Bread



The regular and **large print editions** of Our Daily Bread devotional are available in the narthex at Advent. Please note that the large print edition and the regular edition are on different print schedules and cover different months. The devotionals are also available digitally. Go to [www.odbm.org](http://www.odbm.org) for more information.

*If you have any questions or need assistance accessing the devotionals digitally, please contact the church office at 215-355-2529 or [adventlutheranrichboro@gmail.com](mailto:adventlutheranrichboro@gmail.com).*

## Drive-in & Drop-off Food Collection – Warminster Food Bank

If you have food for the Warminster Food Bank and the church is not open, just drive into the parking lot and drop off the food inside the bench outside the front door. You may still bring food into the church narthex during church and office hours. Check their website for the most current needs: [www.warminsterfoodbank.org](http://www.warminsterfoodbank.org). Thank you for helping our neighbors in need.

## Recycling Can Tabs for Ronald McDonald House Charities

We are collecting can tabs to support the Ronald McDonald House Charities, which help alleviate some financial burdens for families along their child's healthcare journey. Last year alone, they helped families save \$736 million in lodging and meal expenses. Tabs can be placed in the marked containers in the narthex, on the shelf above the coat rack. *No cans, please – just tabs!*

## October Financial Report

Financial Report For October 2025		
	Rec'd for October 2025	Budget for October 2025
General Fund	\$6,567.93	\$18,609.00
Mortgage	\$1,015	\$1,898.00
Bene. - Synod Only	\$20	\$133
Other Benevolence	\$340	
Memorial	\$420	
Web Upgrade		
Total	\$8,362.93	\$20,640.00
	Rec'd YTD 1/1-10/31/25	Budget YTD 1/1-10/31/25
General Fund	\$108,610.14	\$186,090.00
Mortgage	\$14,066.00	\$18,980.00
Bene. - Synod Only	\$712.00	\$1,330.00
Other Benevolence	\$4,811.00	
Memorial	\$2,495.00	
Web Upgrade	\$450.00	
Total	\$131,144.14	\$206,400.00

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### Coat Drive: Now through Sunday, November 16



We are collecting new and gently worn coats (all sizes) for Prevention Point Philadelphia. This is a non-profit organization that supports the unhoused and addicted in the Kensington area of Philadelphia. We are collecting coats until Sunday, November 16. Please place donations in the designated bin in the narthex.

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### Single Worship Service & Annual Congregational Meeting – Sunday, November 23



The congregational meeting to approve a budget for year 2026 and to nominate and elect members to Church Council will be held on Sunday, November 23, at 10:15 AM. The meeting will be available via Zoom for those not able to attend in person.

This meeting will follow a single worship service at 9:00 AM. Your attendance is important, as it is necessary that we have the required quorum of member voters. Thank you in advance for attending this important meeting!

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### Special Food Collection for Harvest Home – Sunday, November 23



Please consider bringing a food or supply donation as part of the Harvest Home blessing. Donations will be directed to the Warminster Food Bank.

Items currently needed include:

Food Items: ketchup, mustard, broth, salsa, baked beans, jelly, rice, canned fruits, stuffing mix, bread crumbs, instant oatmeal packets, pancake mix, syrup, taco shells, knorr rice sides, saltines

Non-Food Items: store gift cards, laundry detergent (pods or liquid), household cleaning supplies, toothbrushes, toothpaste, other oral care items, toilet paper, paper towels, gently used grocery-size paper bags

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### Gift Card Collection for the Holidays



We will once again be collecting gift cards for our neighbors who depend on the Warminster Food Bank for food each month. The collection envelopes are available on the table by the entrance of the sanctuary and will be given to our neighbors beginning in December. Please consider helping our neighbors in need as we have done in the last few years. Your donations are greatly appreciated! Please contact Nancy Sclight if you have any questions.

## THIS WEEK AT ADVENT

### SUNDAY, November 9

#### Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost

- 8:00 AM Traditional Service with Holy Communion
- 9:30 AM Contemporary Service with Holy Communion  
Sunday School: Children age 4 to grade 6
- 10:30 AM Fellowship Time: Open
- 10:45 AM Church Council meeting

### MONDAY, November 10

- 7:30 PM A.A. Open Meeting

### TUESDAY, November 11

Veteran's Day

- 12:00 PM Advent Women's Circle Meeting *bring your own lunch*

### WEDNESDAY, November 12

- 5:30 PM Praise Band rehearsal
- 6:15 PM Vocal Choir rehearsal

### THURSDAY, November 13

- 7:00 PM Zoom Bible Study with Pastor Matt: "Stump the Pastor"

### FRIDAY, November 14

- 7:30 PM A.A. Step Meeting

### SUNDAY, November 16

#### Twenty Third Sunday after Pentecost

- 8:00 AM Traditional Service with Holy Communion
- 9:30 AM Contemporary Service with Holy Communion  
Sunday School: Children age 4 to grade 6
- 10:30 AM Fellowship Time: Open
- 10:45 AM Adult Bible Study in the parlor with George Henry