

Trinity
Evangelical
Lutheran Church

November 10, 2024

WELCOME!

**WELCA
Thankoffering
Sunday**



* THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the triune God, ✚ who pours out love, justice, and mercy in abundance.

C: Amen.

* **THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

P: Joined by water to Christ and to creation, let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

* **THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

L: For all gifts of water,

C: We give you thanks, O God.

**L: For rivers and lakes, for streams
and oceans, for healing rains and
clean water to drink:**

C: We give you thanks, O God.

* **THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

L: For Mariam's song of liberation on the far Bank of the sea, For Isaiah's invitation to "come and drink, without money and without price," For Jesus's baptism and commissioning in the waters of the Jordan, For the Samaritan woman, revived by living water, For the holy river that waters the tree of life:

C: We give you thanks, O God.

* **THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

**L: For the outpouring of the holy spirit,
For baptismal waters, For the
cleansing of our hearts, For the
refreshment of our spirits, For waves
of mercy, For justice, rolling like rivers:**

C: We give you thanks, O God.

* Hymn of Praise

“Lord, Whose Love
In
Humble Service”
LBW 423



*** Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service”**

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**1 Lord, whose love in humble service
bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken,
worked your mercy's perfect deed:
we, your servants, bring the worship
not of voice alone, but heart;
consecrating to your purpose
ev'ry gift which you impart.**

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**2 Still your children wander homeless;
still the hungry cry for bread;
still the captives long for freedom;
still in grief we mourn our dead.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion
healed the sick and freed the soul,
by your Spirit send your power
to our world to make it whole.**

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**3 As we worship, grant us vision,
till your love's revealing light
in its height and depth and greatness
dawns upon our quickened sight,
making known the needs and burdens
your compassion bids us bear,
stirring us to ardent service,
your abundant life to share.**

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**4 Called by worship to your service,
forth in your dear name we go,
to the child, the youth, the aged,
love in living deeds to show;
hope and health, good will and comfort,
counsel, aid and peace we give,
that your servants, Lord, in freedom
may your mercy know and live**

* **APOSTOLIC GREETING**

P: May the amazing grace of Jesus, the extravagant love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

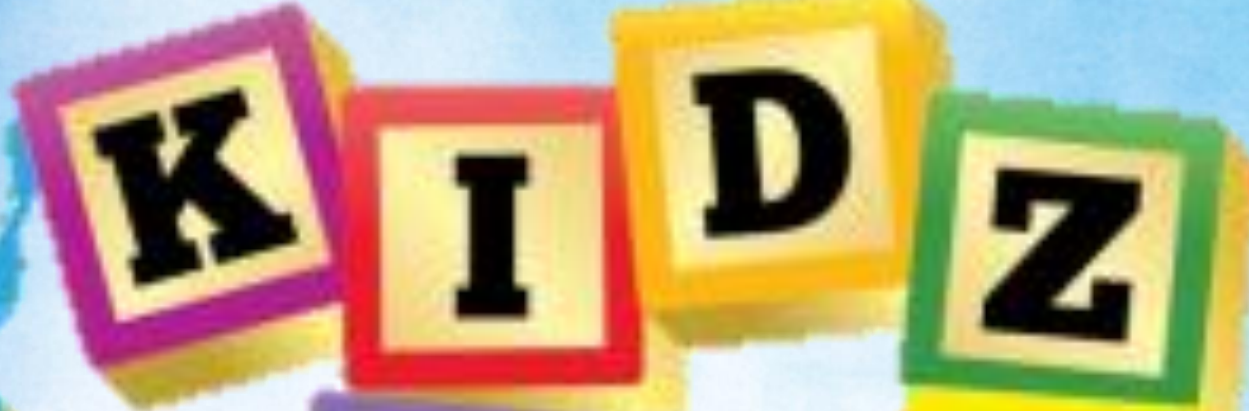
C: And also with you.

* **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: God of Heaven and Earth...

... In your holy name we pray,

C: Amen



K I D Z

K O R N E R

•Scripture Readings

Reader	Bible Reading
Linda Baker	Genesis 18:9-14
Julie Kossler	Ruth 1:7-16
Lexie Angles	Esther 2:15-18, 4:13-14
Theresa Sarver	John 12: 1-8
Callie Schmitmeyer	Acts 16:11-15

Sarah (wife and mother) Genesis 18:9-14

⁹The visitors said to Abraham, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." ¹⁰Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him.

¹¹Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of

Sarah (wife and mother) Genesis 18:9-14

women. ¹²So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?" ¹³The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' ¹⁴Is anything too wonderful for the LORD?"

Naomi and Ruth (outsider) Ruth 1:7-16

⁷So Naomi set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. ⁸But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. ⁹The LORD grant that you

Naomi and Ruth (outsider) Ruth 1:7-16

may find security, each of you in the house of your husband." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud.

¹⁰They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." ¹¹But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me...No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the LORD has turned against

Naomi and Ruth (outsider) Ruth 1:7-16

me." ¹⁴Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

¹⁵So Naomi said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law."

Naomi and Ruth (outsider) Ruth 1:7-16

¹⁶But Ruth said, "Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; where you lodge, I will lodge, your people shall be my people, and your God my God.

Esther (leader and advocate)

Esther 2:15-18, 4:13-14

Chapter 2

¹⁵When the turn came for Esther daughter of Abihail the uncle of Mordecai, who had adopted her as his own daughter, to go in to the king, she asked for nothing except what Hegai the king's eunuch, who had charge of the women, advised. Now Esther was admired by all who saw her. ¹⁶When Esther was taken to King Ahasuerus

Esther (leader and advocate)

Esther 2:15-18, 4:13-14

Chapter 2

in his royal palace in the tenth month, which is the month of Tebeth, in the seventh year of his reign, ¹⁷the king loved Esther more than all the other women; of all the virgins she won his favor and devotion, so that he set the royal crown on her head and made her queen instead of Vashti.

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Esther 2:15-18, 4:13-14

Chapter 2

¹⁸Then the king gave a great banquet to all his officials and ministers — "Esther's banquet." He also granted a holiday to the provinces, and gave gifts with royal liberality.

Esther 2:15-18, 4:13-14

Chapter 4

¹³Mordecai told them to reply to Esther, "Do not think that in the king's palace you will escape any more than all the other Jews. ¹⁴For if you keep silence at such a time as this, relief and deliverance will rise for the Jews from another quarter, but you and your father's family will perish. Who knows? Perhaps you have come to royal dignity for just such a time as this."

Mary and Martha (sisters, disciples) John 12: 1-8

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ²There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her

Mary and Martha (sisters, disciples) John 12: 1-8

hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?

Mary and Martha (sisters, disciples) John 12: 1-8

⁶(He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.)

⁷Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Lydia (business woman)

Acts 16:11-15

Paul and Timothy set sail from Troas and [arrived at] Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days.

¹³On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there.

Lydia (business woman)

Acts 16:11-15

¹⁴A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

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- **Conclusion of Readings**

L: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word

C: Thanks be to God

SERMON



Hymn of the Day

**“Gather us in”
ELW 532**



**1 Here in this place
the new light is streaming,
now is the darkness
vanished away;
see in this space
our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you
in the light of this day.**

**1 Gather us in,
the lost and forsaken,
gather us in,
the blind and the lame;
call to us now,
and we shall awaken,
we shall arise
at the sound of our name.**

**2 We are the young,
our lives are a myst'ry,
we are the old
who yearn for your face;
we have been sung
throughout all of hist'ry,
called to be light
to the whole human race.**

**2 Gather us in,
the rich and the haughty,
gather us in,
the proud and the strong;
give us a heart,
so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage
to enter the song.**

**3 Here we will take
the wine and the water,
here we will take
the bread of new birth,
here you shall call
your sons and your daughters,
call us anew
to be salt for the earth.**

**3 Give us to drink
the wine of compassion,
give us to eat the bread
that is you;
nourish us well,
and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and
hearts that are true.**

**4 Not in the dark
of buildings confining,
not in some heaven,
light years away—
here in this place
the new light is shining,
now is the kingdom,
and now is the day.**

**4 Gather us in
and hold us forever,
gather us in
and make us your own;
gather us in,
all peoples together,
fire of love
in our flesh and our bone.**

* **APOSTLE'S CREED**

**C: I believe in God, the Father
almighty, creator of heaven and
earth.**

* **APOSTLE'S CREED**

C: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

* APOSTLE'S CREED

C: He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

* **APOSTLE'S CREED**

C: 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.

* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition will end with the words,

A: God of Welcome,

The congregation will respond with:

C: Hear our prayer.

* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The prayer concludes...

P: We pray this in the name of God who loves us so extravagantly and abundantly.

C: Amen.

* SHARING OF THE PEACE

(The Sharing of the Peace that began when the congregation arrived is now shared with the Worship Leader at this time...)

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING



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PRAYER



*** THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

* THE LORD'S PRAYER

**C: For thine is the kingdom, and
the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

- **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Church
Announcements

* **SENDING BLESSING**

L: God has filled the hungry and thirsty with good things:

C: Let's give thanks to God, for God's mercy endures forever!

L: God has done wonderful works for all people:

C: Let us rejoice in God's steadfast love!

* **SENDING BLESSING**

**L: God has looked upon us with grace
and favor:**

C: Let us remember God's mercy!

**L: God has put into our hearts a song of
Thanksgiving and freedom:**

**C: Let us join our voices in singing
our praise!**

* **SENDING BLESSING**

**L: The God of abundance, Creator,
Redeemer, and Spirit, ✝ bless you and
keep you, now and forever.**

C: Amen.

*** Sending
Song**

**“Praise and
Thanksgiving”
LBW 409**



**1 Praise and thanksgiving,
God, we would offer
for all things living, you
have made good:
harvest of sown fields,
fruits of the orchard,
hay from the mown fields,
blossom and wood.**

**2 God, bless the labor
we bring to serve you,
that with our neighbor
we may be fed.
Sowing or tilling,
we would work with you,
harvesting, milling
for daily bread.**

**3 Father, providing
food for your children,
by Wisdom's guiding
teach us to share
one with another,
so that, rejoicing
with us, all others
may know your care.**

**4 Then will your blessing
reach ev'ry people,
freely confessing
your gracious hand.
Where you are reigning,
no one will hunger;
your love sustaining
showers the land.**

* **DISMISSAL**

P: ... Depart in Christ's Love.

**C: Seeking, welcoming, and serving
all. Amen!**

POSTLUDE

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