

**St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)**

**Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost**



**November 8, 2020**

## Divine Service – Setting Three

### Hymn of Invocation

#### 663 Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray



1 Rise, my soul, to watch and pray; From your sleep a - wak -  
2 Watch a - gainst the dev - il's snares Lest a - sleep he find  
3 Watch! Let not the wick - ed world With its lies de - feat  
4 Watch a - gainst your - self, my soul, Lest with grace you tri -



en! Be not by the e - vil day Un - a - wares o'er -  
you; For in - deed no pains he spares To de - ceive and  
you Lest with bold de - cep - tions hurled It be - tray and  
fle; Let not self your thoughts con - trol Nor God's mer - cy



tak - en; For the foe, Well we know, Is a  
blind you. Sa - tan's prey Oft are they Who se -  
cheat you. Watch and see Lest there be Faith - less  
sti - fle. Pride and sin Lurk with - in, All your



har - vest reap - ing While the saints are sleep - ing.  
cure are sleep - ing And no watch are keep - ing.  
friends to charm you, Who but seek to harm you.  
hopes to shat - ter; Heed not when they flat - ter.

- 5 But while watching, also pray  
To the Lord unceasing.  
God protects you day by day,  
Strength and faith increasing,  
So that still  
Mind and will  
Shall unite to serve Him  
And forever love Him.

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

## Confession and Absolution

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Service of the Word

**Introit** *Ps. 84:1, 9–12; antiphon: Ps. 84:3*

P: Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young,

**C: at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.**

P: How lovely is your dwelling place,

**C: O LORD of hosts!**

P: Behold our shield, O God;

**C: look on the face of your anointed!**

P: For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

**C: I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.**

P: For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor.

**C: No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.**

P: O LORD of hosts,

**C: blessed is the one who trusts in you!**

P: Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young,

**C: at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.**



## Kyrie



**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Gloria in Excelsis (Sing)

**C** **Glory be to God on High,  
and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.  
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee.  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our  
prayer.**

**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have  
mercy upon us.**

**For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.**

**Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,**

**art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son to lead home His bride, the Church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*Sit*

### **Old Testament Reading** *Amos 5:18–24*

<sup>18</sup>Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD!

Why would you have the day of the LORD?

It is darkness, and not light,

<sup>19</sup>as if a man fled from a lion,

and a bear met him,

or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall,

and a serpent bit him.

<sup>20</sup>Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light,

and gloom with no brightness in it?

<sup>21</sup>"I hate, I despise your feasts,

and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.

<sup>22</sup>Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,

I will not accept them;

and the peace offerings of your fattened animals,

I will not look upon them.

<sup>23</sup>Take away from me the noise of your songs;

to the melody of your harps I will not listen.

<sup>24</sup>But let justice roll down like waters,

and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual

P: These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

**C: They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.**

P: Blessed are those whose strength is in you,

**C: in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**

**Bell Choir:** *There is a Redeemer*

## Epistle 1 Thessalonians 4:13–18

<sup>13</sup>But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. <sup>14</sup>For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. <sup>15</sup>For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. <sup>16</sup>For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup>Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. <sup>18</sup>Therefore encourage one another with these words.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

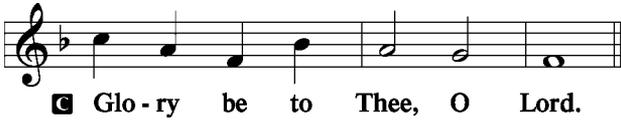
## Alleluia and Verse



**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel Matthew 25:1–13

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.



<sup>1</sup>Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. <sup>2</sup>Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. <sup>3</sup>For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, <sup>4</sup>but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. <sup>5</sup>As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. <sup>6</sup>But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' <sup>7</sup>Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. <sup>8</sup>And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' <sup>9</sup>But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' <sup>10</sup>And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. <sup>11</sup>Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' <sup>12</sup>But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' <sup>13</sup>Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



## Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,**

begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
 God of God, Light of Light,  
 very God of very God,  
 begotten, not made,  
 being of one substance with the Father,  
 by whom all things were made;  
 who for us men and for our salvation came down from  
 heaven  
 and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
 and was made man;  
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
 He suffered and was buried.  
 And the third day He rose again according to the  
 Scriptures and ascended into heaven  
 and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
 And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the  
 dead,  
 whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the Lord and giver of life,  
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
 who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped  
 and glorified,  
 who spoke by the prophets.  
 And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
 and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
 and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

## Hymn of the Day

516 Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying



1 "Wake, a - wake, for night is fly - ing," The watch - men on the  
2 Zi - on hears the watch - men sing - ing, And all her heart with  
3 Now let all the heav'ns a - dore Thee, Let saints and an - gels



heights are cry - ing; "A - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!"  
joy is spring - ing; She wakes, she ris - es from her gloom.  
sing be - fore Thee With harp and cym - bals' clear - est tone.



Mid - night hears the wel - come voic - es And at the thrill - ing  
For her Lord comes down all - glo - rious, The strong in grace, in  
Of one pearl each shin - ing por - tal, Where, join - ing with the



cry re - joic - es: "Oh, where are ye, ye vir - gins wise?  
truth vic - to - rious; Her star is ris'n, her light is come.  
choir im - mor - tal, We gath - er round Thy ra - diant throne.



The Bride - groom comes, a - wake! Your lamps with glad - ness take!  
Now come, Thou Bless - ed One, Lord Je - sus, God's own Son,  
No eye has seen the light, No ear has heard the might



Al - le - lu - ia! With brid - al care Your - selves pre - pare  
Hail! Ho - san - na! We en - ter all The wed - ding hall  
Of Thy glo - ry; There - fore will we E - ter - nal - ly



To meet the Bride - groom, who is near."  
To eat the Sup - per at Thy call.  
Sing hymns of praise and joy to Thee!

**Sermon:** "The Coming Crisis"

**Sermon Text:** Matthew 25:1-13

Rev. Samuel Bobby

**P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. **C Amen.**

*Sit*

## Offertory Hymn

### 814 O Bless the Lord, My Soul *sts. 1-3*



1 O bless the Lord, my soul! Let all with - in me join  
 2 O bless the Lord, my soul, Nor let His mer - cies lie  
 3 'Tis He for - gives thy sins; 'Tis He re - lieves thy pain;



And aid my tongue to bless His name Whose fa - vors are di - vine.  
 For - got - ten in un - thank - ful - ness And with - out prais - es die!  
 'Tis He that heals thy sick - ness - es And makes thee young a - gain.

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*Stand*

## Prayer of the Church

### Service of the Sacrament

#### Preface

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

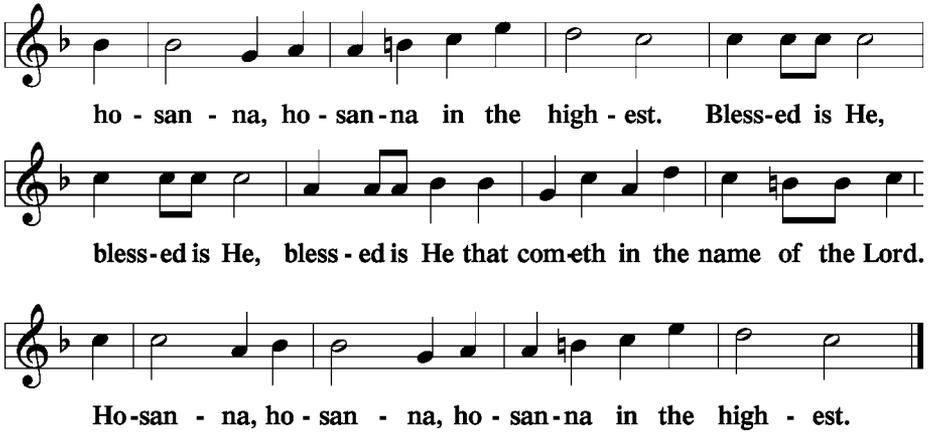
## Sanctus



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,  
 bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.  
 Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

### 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.**

### The Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{†}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

**P** In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He

had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### Pax Domini

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



**C** A - men.

### Agnus Dei



**C** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

*Sit*

## Distribution

## Distribution Hymn

### 801 How Great Thou Art



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won - der Con - sid - er  
 2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the  
 3 But when I think that God, His Son not spar - ing, Sent Him to  
 4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me



all the works Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might - y  
 birds sing sweet - ly in the trees; When I look down from loft - y moun - tain  
 die, I scarce can take it in— That on the cross my bur - den glad - ly  
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



thun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played;  
 gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;  
 bear - ing He bled and died to take a - way my sin;  
 ra - tion And there pro - claim: "My God, how great Thou art!"



*Refrain*  
 Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to Thee, How great Thou

art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to  
Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

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*In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:*

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart  $\text{✠}$  in peace.
- C** Amen.

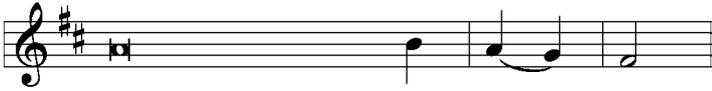
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**Nunc Dimittis** (sing)

- C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,  
for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,  
a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**Thanksgiving**

- A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## Salutation and Benedicamus

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Bless we the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

- 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  $\text{†}$  give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

## Closing Hymn

### 515 Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers



- 1 Re - joyce, re - joyce, be - liev - ers, And let your lights ap - pear;  
 2 The watch - ers on the moun - tain Pro - claim the Bride - groom near;  
 3 The saints, who here in pa - tience Their cross and suf - f'ings bore,  
 4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



The eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, And dark - er night is near.  
 Go forth as He ap - proach - es With al - le - lu - ias clear.  
 Shall live and reign for - ev - er When sor - row is no more.  
 A - rise, O Sun so longed for, O'er this be - night - ed sphere.



The Bride-groom is a - ris - ing And soon is draw - ing nigh.  
 The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; The gates wide o - pen stand.  
 A - round the throne of glo - ry The Lamb they shall be - hold;  
 With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, We plead, O Lord, to see



Up, pray and watch and wres - tle; At mid - night comes the cry.  
 A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; The Bride-groom is at hand.  
 In tri - umph cast be - fore Him Their di - a - dems of gold.  
 The day of earth's re - demp - tion That sets Your peo - ple free!

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**ST. PAUL'S EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMS)**  
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**November 8, 2020**

The purpose of St. Paul's Congregation is to assist its members to share and to grow in their faith in Jesus Christ by faithful proclamation of the Gospel and the administration of the Sacraments in accordance with the confessional standards of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod.

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**The Quarterly Voter's meeting** will be held on Sunday, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>, at 9:30am. Items on agenda include 2021 budget and Structure and Governance. **The Call meeting** will be held at 1:00pm on Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>. Information packets are available in the South Narthex.

Please pray for Brandi Wagemann, Roger Blum, Pastor Dell, Michael Severson, Joyce Kenitzer, Joyce Dahme, Delores Sandmeier, Ada McCorkle, Brenda Blair, Miles Eisenbeisz, Leona McCalip, Steven Swanhorst, Barbara Dahme, Howard Dahme, Dan Lingor, Jason Herrick, Pastor Anderson, Gladys Felix, Ralph Stevens, Chad Ashford, John Cassens, and Muriel Schamber.

**Church office** will be closed on Wed., Nov 11<sup>th</sup> for Veteran's Day.

Due to the cancellation of the Ham and Meatball Dinner this November, the LWML would like to ask for a free will offering the first two Sundays of November to subsidize the donation we send each year to the seminaries. We give the money to the food banks to help the seminary students. There will be baskets at each entrance for these donations. The LWML would like to thank you in advance for any offering you may give.

The family of David Swanhorst would like to express their thanks to Pastor Bobby and the congregation for their prayers for Steven Swanhorst. We are so grateful that God answered our prayers and he is slowly improving.

**Offering: November 1, 2020** - \$6,032.00

Coffee - \$44.76 Sunday School - \$16.00 Missions - \$30.00

**Attendance: November 1, 2020**

8:00am – 91 Communed – 76 10:45 am – 96 Communed – 57

Monday Night – 14 Communed – 12 Wed. – 14 Communed – 14

**MAIN STREET LIVING – Nov. 15, 2020** 10:00 AM - This is the Life – “The Healer”—10:30 AM - Rev. John Fries presents the message “Faith and the Final Day.” The sermon is based on verses from Zephaniah, Matthew, and Thessalonians. For more information go to the web site: [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com)

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR – Nov. 15 – “Bigger”** Speaker: Rev. Gerard Bolling. (Daniel 6) The Lutheran Hour can be heard on KAWZ 88.1 at 9:00 am or Bismarck radio station KFYZ at 7:30 am on Sundays.

**Sunday School Christmas Program**----We are excited to share that there will be a Children's Christmas program to be held between church services on Sunday, December 20 at 9:30 am. Practices will be held during regular Sunday School time beginning November 29 and will include the children in grades pre-K through 3rd Grade. Masks are highly encouraged for the congregation during the program. Coffee and donuts will be served following the program.

*“Maybe you enjoy showing hospitality to others, whether at home or as part of a joint effort at church. Perhaps you invite people who are lonely or people who are hungry, homeless or far away from home. Perhaps you are reaching out to refugees or to international students. Perhaps you take a casserole to a family with a new baby or buy toothpaste and toilet paper for the local homeless shelter. If so, you are showing hospitality to Jesus. What an honor to be able to do so!”*

**Organists: Sunday** – Cyrece Kono

**Monday** – Cyrece Kono

**Wednesday** – Cindy Jung

**THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL’S: (Nov. 8 - Nov. 15)**

<b>Sun</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>
	9:15 am	Bible Study, Coffee/Donuts
	9:30 am	Sunday School

**10:45 am**      **Worship Service**  
1:00 pm      Elder Bible Study

**Mon** 6:15 pm      **Worship Service**

**Wed** 6:00 am      Men's Bible Study  
12:15 pm      **Worship Service – (Mask Required)**  
5:00 pm      Women's Bible Study (Zoom)  
6:30 pm      Bell Practice  
7:00 pm      Circuit Confirmation

**Thur** 9:00 am      Quilting  
7:00 pm      *Enough for Now* – Sharla Fritz - ZOOM

**Sun** **8:00 am** **Worship Service**  
9:30 am      Quarterly Voter's Meeting  
9:30 am      Sunday School  
**10:45 am**      **Worship Service**  
**1:00 pm**      **Call Meeting**