

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Gracious God,

C have mercy on us. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

C Amen.

KYRIE

Refrain



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

Refrain



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

GREETING

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

Refrain



This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. 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. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

Refrain



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. This is the feast of



vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -



le - lu - ia. 2 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.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 2:18-24 (Vicky Eisenhut)

¹⁸The LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." ¹⁹So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. ²¹So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said, "This at last is bone

of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken.”

²⁴Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 8 (Donna Rasche)

(Refrain: You crown us with glory and honor.)

¹O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

C ²you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.

³When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

C ⁴what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them? *(Refrain)*

⁵Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.

C ⁶You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:

⁷all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,

C ⁸the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

⁹O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

C *(Refrain)*

(Refrain: You crown us with glory and honor.)

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C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12 (Linda Mason)

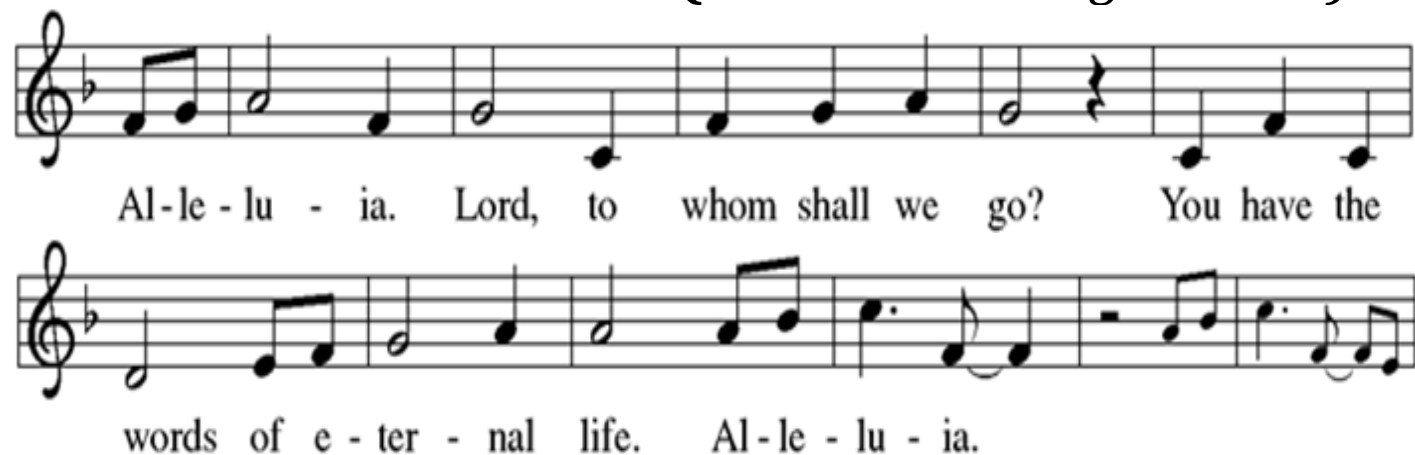
¹Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. ³He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. ^{2:5}Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. ⁶But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? ⁷You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, ⁸subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, ⁹but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the

suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. ¹⁰It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, ¹²saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*10 measures organ intro*)



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in a single system. The top staff contains three measures of music with lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.' The bottom staff contains two measures of music with lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' The music is written in a simple, melodic style with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat.

Gospel: Mark 10:2-16

C Glory to you, O Lord.

²Some Pharisees came, and to test [Jesus] they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” ³He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” ⁴They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” ⁵But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ ⁷‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.” ¹⁰Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹He

said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.” ¹³People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” ¹⁶And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.
The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON *Pastor Timothy Holt*

HYMN OF THE DAY *LBW 453*

*“If You But Trust in
God to Guide You”*

A TIME OF BLESSING

INSTALLATION OF WELCA OFFICERS

Today we recognize women who have offered themselves for service to God through the ministry of Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

President – Darlene Ziegler

Vice President – Kathy Jarboe

Secretary – Jeanne Hoffman

Treasurer – Nancy Freyberger

Program and Fellowship – Marie Neukam & Barb Schnarr

Stewardship and Service – Donna Rasche & JoAnn Schnarr

In Holy Baptism, we are called to a life of faithful service and witness. You have been asked to serve Women of the ELCA as an officer.

Will you give yourself joyfully to this responsibility, offering praise and thanksgiving to God?

Response: I will, with God's help

You have been given many gifts to build up the body of Christ. Will you be open to receive the witness of others and to walk with them in a journey of faith?

Response: I will, with God's help

May God, who has chosen you for this task, graciously dwell in you and give you the strength and compassion to fill it.

Will you, as people of God, encourage these leaders by remembering them in prayer and accepting them as partners in the gospel?

Response: We will.

APOSTLE'S CREED

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth.

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. 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.

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 (Marie Neukam)

Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

God of our ancestors, we give thanks for the church in all times. May we listen for the prophets of this age who bear messages that stir the church toward renewal and justice. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

Sovereign God, we give thanks that you are mindful and benevolent to even us, mere mortals. Accompany us when hardness of heart gets in the way of justice between people and nations. Endow leaders with minds for justice and hearts for compassion. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

Restoring Lord, grant healing and wholeness to those who are sick and suffering (*We pray especially for Lavella Breitweiser, Courtney Hagedorn-Drew, Keith Freyberger, Kenny Freyberger, Leroy Freyberger, Lynn Fuhs, Lucy Mae Gruebel, Harold Hembree, Tammy Kieffner, Shelby Klein, Zach Leinenbach, Judy Lorey, Eryn Mann, Zander Mann, Gene Mehne, Logan Musgrave, Bryar Rahman, Steve Rothgerber, Libby Rudolph, Annette Schepers, Donnie Schwenk, Kaine Seitz, Martha Jane Tucker, Annie Voelkel, and all those we name before you either silently or aloud.*) Work through medical professionals to diagnose, ease pain, and give life to all who seek their wisdom and experience. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

Unifying God, humans were created for relationship with the earth, its creatures, and one another. Forgive us when division threatens companionship, mutual support, and unity among us. May your love inspire us to build supportive communities of faith where all are cherished. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

We pray that you guide the military serving to protect us. Grant them safety and wisdom to carry out their assigned duties. *(We pray especially for Austin Breitwieser, Luke Himsel and Cooper Uebelhor.)* Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY RESPONSE



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right



spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take



not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of



your sal - va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

C Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMUNION

All who are baptized are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Children who have not yet received instruction about Holy Communion are invited to come forward for a blessing. As you approach the communion assistant, the first will hand you the bread. Take and eat it. Then take a communion cup from the tray. After you have taken the wine, place your empty cup in the tray table beside the pillar.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.


Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through 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. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, 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, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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.

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

COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

LAMB OF GOD



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, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

COMMUNION HYMNS

LBW 370 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

LBW 561 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

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

C Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE



May you run and not be wea - ry. May your
heart be filled with song. And may the
love of God con - tin - ue to
give you hope and keep you strong. And may you
run and not be wea - ry. May your
life be filled with joy. And may the
road you trav - el al - ways lead you home.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray

C Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

God all mighty, God most merciful ✝ bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN LBW 173 *“The Head That once Was Crowned”*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Mission Statement: *Worship Boldly, Empower for Discipleship,
Cultivate Spiritual Maturity, Strengthen Community, Serve.*

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THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE FOR YOUR SERVICE TODAY:

Greeters: Hilda Angerer & Mary Ann Kieffner
Comm. Asst: John Potts
Video: Jeff Schmitt
Organist: Arlene Vonderheide
Lay Reader: Duana Hembree
Audio: Keith Keller
Acolytes: Ryder Freyberger

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 167 SS: 14

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF Oct. 6th - Oct. 12th 2024

Sun. Oct. 6 th	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service <i>(Harvest Home Sunday)</i> <i>(Sunday School after Communion – 10:30)</i>
Tues. Oct. 7 th	6:00 PM	Finance Budget Meeting
Wed. Oct. 9 th	6:30 PM	Handbell Practice Confirmation
Thurs. Oct. 10 th	1:00 PM	Blanket Tacking
Sun. Oct. 13 ^h	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service <i>(Sunday School after Communion – 10:30)</i>

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCA BOOK SIGN-UPS

There are sign-up sheets on the welcome center desk for committees for the 2025 year. Committees include flower, visiting, birthday cakes for members 85 and older, and refreshments for our monthly meetings. Please review the list and faithfully consider one of these projects.

The Women of the ELCA would like to thank the congregation and Thrivent Financial for the support of all our projects throughout the year.

With your support and financial support from Thrivent, we will be able to donate the following items to Lutheran World Relief: 175 Blankets, 49 Personal Care Kits, and 83 School Kits.

Another project overseen by WELCA are the Christmas Shoe Boxes. In November 2023, 56 shoe boxes were filled for children of all ages.

WELCA has donated 145 homemade baby quilts since January. Recipients of the blankets are Memorial Hospital, Memorial Health Family Care, Crisis Connection, Tri Cap, and Southwestern Indiana Child Advocacy Center, all located in Jasper. Baby quilts are also donated to Kosairs Children's Hospital in Louisville, KY. Babies and children who are members at St. Paul's also get a quilt when they are baptized.

Again, thank you all for supporting the many projects the Women of the ELCA oversee.

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The LYO will be going to the Owensboro Bulls & Ghouls PBR Bull Riding Event on Saturday, October 26th. The show starts at 8:00 PM ET. We will eat dinner prior to the event. Details on what time to meet will be forthcoming. We need to order tickets ahead of time so please text Tara Betz (812-827-1263) by Sunday, October 13th if you plan to go.

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In Service to Our Country

Austin Breitwieser
AM-1 Luke Himsel
Cooper Uebelhor

Redzikowo, Poland
USS Theodore Roosevelt
Colorado Springs, CO





Sunday School

October 2025

10/6

PreK-1st: Noah
2nd-6th: Noah's Ark

10/13

PreK-1st: NO CLASS
2nd-6th NO CLASS

10/20

PreK-1st: Noah
2nd-6th Job

10/27

PreK-1st: Abraham & Sarah
2nd-6th Abraham & God's Promise





St John's
FALL FESTIVAL

FUN FOR THE FAMILY

26 OCTOBER, 2024, 4PM-9PM

BONFIRE, HAYRIDE, SOUP, TRUNK OR TREAT,
AND SO MUCH MORE!!

6483 W 580 N, Otwell, IN 47564

