Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost November 15, 2026

PRELUDE Dave Roos

## Gathering

GREETING
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

GATHERING HYMN ELW #890- vs. 1, 3 "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory"

1 Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;
he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
he has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword:
his truth is marching on.

***Refrain:*** **Glory, glory! Hallelujah!**
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**His truth is marching on.**

3 In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,
with a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me.
As he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free,
while God is marching on. ***To Refrain***

PRAYER OF THE DAY
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. Amen.**

## Word

BIBLE READING 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PSALM Psalm 90:1-8, 12

Lord, you have been our refuge
from one generation to another.
**Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born,
from age to age you are God.**

You turn us back to the dust and say,
"Turn back, O children of earth."
**For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past
and like a watch in the night;**

you sweep them away like a dream,
they fade away suddenly like the grass:
**in the morning it is green and flourishes;
in the evening it is dried up and withered.**

For we are consumed by your anger;
we are afraid because of your wrath.
**Our iniquities you have set before you,
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.**

When you are angry, all our days are gone;
we bring our years to an end like a sigh.
**The span of our life is seventy years, perhaps in strength even eighty; yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow, for they pass away quickly and we are gone.**

Who regards the power of your wrath?
Who rightly fears your indignation?
**So teach us to number our days
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW #646- vs. 1, 2 " The Peace of The Lord"

1 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord
the peace of the risen Lord Jesus:
the peace of the Lord is for you and for me,
and also for all of God's children.
The peace of the Lord is for you and for me,
and also for all of God's children.

2 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord,
the peace of the risen Lord Jesus:
the peace of the Lord is among us right now,
so open yourselves to receive it.
The peace of the Lord is among us right now,
so open yourselves to receive it.

GOSPEL Matthew 25:14-30

SERMON Pastor Donald

HYMN OF DAY ELW #688 - vs. 1, 4 "Lord of Light"

1 Lord of light, your name outshining
all the stars and suns of space,
use our talents in your kingdom
as the servants of your grace;
use us to fulfill your purpose
in the gift of Christ your Son:

**Refrain**

**Father, as in highest heaven,**
**so on earth your will be done.**

4 By the prayers of faithful watchers,
never silent day or night;
by the cross of Jesus, bringing
peace to all and healing light;
by the love that passes knowledge,
making all your children one: ***To Refrain***

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM - Caroline Jacki Peterson

**Presentation**

*Candidates for baptism, sponsors, and parents gather with the ministers at the font. The presiding minister may address the assembly in these or similar words.*

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word, God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

*Sponsors present the candidates:*

I present Caroline Jacki Peterson for baptism.

*The presiding minister addresses parents:*

Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child Caroline baptized into Christ?

*Response:* I do.

As you bring Caroline to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with *her* among God's faithful people,
bring *her* to the word of God and the holy supper,

teach *her* the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
place in *her* hands the holy scriptures,
and nurture her in faith and prayer,
so that *your child* may learn to trust God,
proclaim Christ through word and deed,
care for others and the world God made,
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help Caroline grow in the Christian faith and life?
*Response:* I do.
*The presiding minister addresses sponsors:*
Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Caroline in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help them live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?
*Response:* I do.
*The presiding minister addresses the assembly:*
People of God, do you promise to support *Caroline* and pray for *her* in *her* new life in Christ?
**We do.**

**Profession of Faith**

*The presiding minister addresses the parents and sponsors of young children. The assembly may join in the responses.*
I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

***Three Renunciation Questions***

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?
*Response:*
I renounce them.
Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?
*Response:*
I renounce them.
Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?
*Response:*
I renounce them.
*The presiding minister addresses the candidates and the assembly.*
Do you believe in God the Father?
**I believe in God, the Father almighty,**
**creator of heaven and earth.**
Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
**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 to the dead.***
**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

**Thanksgiving at the Font**

*Water may be poured into the font before or during the thanksgiving. At the font, the presiding minister begins the thanksgiving:*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**Baptism**

*The presiding minister pours water on the candidate's head, as the presiding minister says:*

*Caroline,* I baptize you in the name of the Father,

*The water is poured on the candidate's head a second time:*

and of the Son,

*The water is poured on the candidate's head a third time:*

and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

**You belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.**

*Clothed with Christ in baptism, the newly baptized may receive a baptismal garment.*

*The presiding minister continues:*
Let us pray.
We give you thanks, O God,
that through water and the Holy Spirit
you give your daughters and sons new birth,
cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.
*Laying both hands on the head of the newly baptized, the minister prays for each:*
Sustain Caroline with the gift of your Holy Spirit:
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,
the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.
**Amen.**
*The presiding minister marks the sign of the cross on the forehead of the baptized. As the sign of the cross is made, the minister says:*
*Caroline,* child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.
**Amen.**
**Welcome**
*A lighted candle may be given to a sponsor as these or similar words are spoken:*
Jesus said, I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me will have the light of life.
*The ministers and the baptismal group face the assembly. A representative of the congregation leads the assembly in the welcome.*
Let us welcome the newly baptized.
**We welcome you into the body of Christ**
**and into the mission we share:**
**join us in giving thanks and praise to God**
**and bearing God's creative and redeeming word**
**to all the world.**
*Those who have gathered at the font may return to their places.*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION
United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

Responses: God in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved. **Amen.**

## Meal

OFFERING & HYMN ELW #686 "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

1 We give thee but thine own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

2 May we thy bounties thus
as stewards true receive,
and gladly, as thou blessest us,
to thee our firstfruits give.

3 The captive to release,
to God the lost to bring,
to teach the way of life and peace—
it is a Christlike thing.

4 And we believe thy word,
though dim our faith may be:
whate'er we do for thine, O Lord,
we do it unto thee.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Eternal God,
**our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you.**
**Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us,**
**until hungry no more, all the world is fed,**
**through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER and HOLY, HOLY *p.281-282* *(Dave - p. 144)*

LORD'S PRAYER

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.**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION & HYMN ELW #715- vs.1, 3, 5 "Christ Be Our Light"

1 Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

***Refrain:*** **Christ, be our light!**
**Shine in our hearts.**
**Shine through the darkness.**
**Christ, be our light!**
**Shine in your church gathered today.**

3 Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed. ***To Refrain***

5 Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
signs of your kingdom come. **To Refrain**

COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Holy God,
**we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal.**
**You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured,**
**and feed your people abundantly.**
**Now send us out, awake to your presence,**
**now and forever. Amen.**

## Sending

ANNOUNCEMENTS *Please join RiseRight orders training after church,*
*If missed prayers for veterans last week can watch online*

BENEDICTION
The Lord bless you and keep you. *(sign of the cross)*
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN ELW #866 "We Are Marching in the Light of God"

1 We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, (marching, we are marching, marching,)
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, (marching, we are marching, marching,)
we are marching in the light of God.

2 We are dancing . . .

3 We are praying . . .

4 We are singing . . .

DISMISSAL
Go in peace. Encourage one another.
**Thanks be to God.**