



All Saints Presbyterian Church

November 16th, 2025

Second Sunday Before Advent

**Congregation Stands*

***Gathering Song** (10:25 AM) Take My Life and Let It Be

Take my life and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my hands and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love,
At the impulse of Thy love.

Take my lips and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee;
Take my silver and my gold,
Not a mite would I withhold,
Not a mite would I withhold.

Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee;
Take my voice and let me sing,
Always, only, for my King,
Always, only, for my King.

Take my love, my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee,
Ever, only, all for Thee.

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Entering into the Worship of God

Welcome ————— Rev. Adam L. Brice, *Pastor*

Announcements ————— Bonnie Zimmerman

***Call to Worship** ————— Bryan Bademan, *Elder*

From Amos 5, Psalm 105, and Isaiah 55

Leader: Thus says the LORD, seek me and live.

Everyone: For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come.

Leader: Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually!

Everyone: Let us seek the LORD while he may be found; let us call upon him while he is near.

***Song of Praise: My Labor is Not in Vain**

My work in Christ is not in vain
My labor will not fail
For when I toil in Jesus' name
His purpose will prevail

The tasks that You have set for me
I may not understand
Yet I will follow where You lead
I trust Your sovereign hand

Chorus

So may all I do be it great or small
Bring glory to Your name
In Your grace alone I will carry on
Your promise to me remains
My labor is not in vain

Go forth You said take up your cross
And set the captive free
So give me feet to seek the lost
Just as You searched for me

Chorus

Take heart my soul and persevere
Just as your Savior did
For soon you will be home at rest
Your work complete in Him

Chorus 2x

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***Prayer of Invocation** ————— Bryan Bademan, *Elder*

Confession of Faith ————— Bryan Bademan, *Elder*

The Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

Everyone: That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

***Song of Praise: Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me**

What gift of grace is Jesus my
redeemer
There is no more for heaven now
to give
He is my joy, my righteousness,
and freedom
My steadfast love, my deep and
boundless peace

To this I hold, my hope is only
Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to His
Oh how strange and divine, I can
sing: all is mine
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not
forsaken

For by my side, the Savior He will
stay
I labor on in weakness and
rejoicing
For in my need, His power is
displayed

To this I hold, my Shepherd will
defend me
Through the deepest valley He will
lead
Oh the night has been won, and I
shall overcome
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am
forgiven
The future sure, the price it has
been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my
pardon
And He was raised to overthrow
the grave

To this I hold, my sin has been
defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released, I can
sing: I am free

Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow
Jesus
For He has said that He will bring
me home
And day by day I know He will
renew me
Until I stand with joy before the
throne
To this I hold, my hope is only
Jesus
All the glory evermore to Him
When the race is complete, still my
lips shall repeat
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

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Corporate Confession of Sin ————— Bryan Bademan, *Elder*

Everyone: Almighty Father, we enter your presence confessing the things we try to conceal from you and the things we try to conceal from others. We confess the heartbreak, worry, and sorrow we have caused by our selfishness and sinfulness. We confess that we often say and do things that make it difficult for others to forgive us. We confess that we sometimes encourage others to do wrong. We confess the harm we have done to ourselves, to others, and to your glory by neglecting your Word. Have mercy on us and forgive us through Jesus Christ. Renew us by your Holy Spirit that we may do good and walk in your ways. Amen.

Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon — Bryan Bademan, *Elder*

Leader: Hear the promise of God in these words of the Apostle Paul. "He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins" (Colossians 1:13-14). Christian, know that you are free in Christ. Rest in the freedom of his forgiveness.

Everyone: Praise God for his redeeming grace!

***Song of Gratitude: Lord Have Mercy (For What We Have Done)**

For what we have done and left
undone
We fall on Your countless mercies
For sins that are known and those
unknown
We call on Your name so holy

For envy and pride, for closing our
eyes
For scorning our very neighbor
In thought, word, and deed, we've
failed You, our King
How deeply we need a Savior

Chorus

Lord have mercy, Christ have
mercy
Lord have mercy on us
Lord have mercy, Christ have
mercy
Lord have mercy on us

For what You have done, Your life
of love
You perfectly lived, we praise You

Though tempted and tried, You
fixed Your eyes
You finished the work God gave
You

And there on the tree, a King
among thieves
You bled for a world's betrayal
You loved to the end, our merciful
friend
How pure and forever faithful

Chorus 2x

For hearts that are cold for seizing
control
For scorning our very Maker
In thought, word, and deed, we've
failed You, our King
How deeply we need a Savior

Chorus 3x

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***Extending Peace to One Another** — Bryan Bademan, *Elder*

3-5 year olds are welcome to join Teach Me To Worship downstairs at this time

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Everyone: And also with you.

You are encouraged to connect with whom you need to in order to make peace before coming to the Lord's Table, or extend the peace to others, particularly newcomers.



Hearing the Word of God

***Scripture Reading:** Hebrews 13:1-19 ————— Meagan Buchholz

Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters. ² Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it. ³ Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering. ⁴ Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral. ⁵ Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." ⁶ So we say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?" ⁷ Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. ⁸ Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. ⁹ Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings. It is good for our hearts to be strengthened by grace, not by eating ceremonial foods, which is of no benefit to those who do so. ¹⁰ We have an altar from which those who minister at the tabernacle have no right to eat. ¹¹ The high priest carries the blood of animals into the Most Holy Place as a sin offering, but the bodies are burned outside the camp. ¹² And so Jesus also suffered outside the city gate to make the people holy through his own blood. ¹³ Let us, then, go to him outside the camp, bearing the disgrace he bore. ¹⁴ For here we do not have an enduring city, but we are looking for the city that is to come. ¹⁵ Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. ¹⁶ And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased. ¹⁷ Have confidence in your leaders and submit to their authority, because they keep watch over you as those who must give an account. Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you. ¹⁸ Pray for us. We are sure that we have a clear conscience and desire to live honorably in every way. ¹⁹ I particularly urge you to pray so that I may be restored to you soon.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Everyone: Thanks be to God

Prayer for Illumination ————— Rev. Adam L. Brice, *Pastor*

Everyone: O Lord, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, and strength to run in the path you set before us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

“Hospitality to Strangers and Prisoners”

Hebrews 13:1-3



Responding to the Grace of God



Congregational Prayer — Bryan Bademan, *Elder*

At the end of the congregational prayer, we will corporately pray the Lord's Prayer:

Everyone: 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.



Tithes and Offerings (Teach Me To Worship children return)



Celebrating the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper was instituted by Jesus Christ as a way for Christians to worship until he returns. When we eat and drink this meal by faith, Jesus himself is present with us by his Holy Spirit, and he nourishes and strengthens us to live as his disciples in the world. It is a meal that unites all believers in Jesus Christ, and thus we invite all baptized followers of Jesus Christ who are members of a Bible-believing church to participate with us. Children who have professed faith and have been admitted to the Lord's Supper by the leaders of your church are also encouraged to participate.

If you are not yet a baptized Christian, or if you have not been joined to a church, we want you to know that we are so glad that you are here! And yet, we ask that you refrain from participating in this meal. If you are interested in knowing more about what it means to follow Jesus and join his people in the church, any of the pastors or elders would be delighted to meet with you. We also encourage you not to participate if you have an unresolved conflict with another member of the church, and are not pursuing reconciliation, as this meal is to be a sign of our love and unity in Christ.

While not all will eat and drink (because we know that not all here have taken those first steps of faith and obedience to Jesus), we do encourage everyone to join the circle that will form around the sanctuary as a sign that you are all an important part of our church community

Prayers of Meditation for Those Not Partaking of the Sacrament:

If you are not able to receive Communion because you have not yet entrusted your life and eternity into the saving hands of Jesus Christ, you can select a prayer that best describes your current place in the spiritual journey and meditate on it

A Prayer for those who cannot believe in God

God, I have doubted your existence. I have reasoned you away or associated you with a Being that either does not love me or does not have the strength to show me that you care. And yet, I see today that there are many people who have experienced the same hardships and disappointments in life that I have, yet they believe in you. They say they see your care in their trials and they experience your strength in their hardships. And they say that it all must be true because of the resurrection of Jesus. God, this is all strange to me. Therefore, if you really exist, if you really are the caring and sovereign God these people and their Bible say you are, reveal yourself to me personally through this resurrected Jesus. Amen.

A Prayer for those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

A Prayer of Belief and Commitment

Lord Jesus, I admit that in and of myself I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared to believe, but in you, oh Christ, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. I commit myself to be baptized into union with you and to follow you all my life as a committed disciple of Jesus, no matter what the cost.

Song to the Cross: Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly-minded,
for with blessing in his hand,
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
in the body and the blood,

he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heav'nly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of light descendeth
from the realms of endless day,
that the pow'rs of hell may vanish
as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph;
cherubim, with sleepless eye,
veil their faces to the presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
"Allelulia alleluia,
alleluia, Lord Most High!"

*Liturgy of St. James,
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Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord,
as we come to You
To receive the food
of Your Holy Word.
Take Your truth,
plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us
in Your likeness,
That the light
of Christ might be seen
today
In our acts of love
and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord,
and fulfill in us
All Your purposes
for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord,
full obedience,
Holy reverence,
true humility;
Test our thoughts
and our attitudes
In the radiance
of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise;
cause our eyes to see

Your majestic love
and authority.
Words of pow'r
that can never fail—
Let their truth
prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord,
and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights
of Your plans for us—
Truths unchanged
from the dawn of time
That will echo down
through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand
on Your promises,
And by faith we'll walk
as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord,
till Your church is built
And the earth is filled
with Your glory.

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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 Amen

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***Benediction:** _____ Rev. Adam L. Brice, *Pastor*
Philippians 4:4-7

Leader: “Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Amen.”

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