ALIVE IN CHRIST
CHURCH LUTHERAN

October 25, 2026

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME!

We welcome you to our worship service at ALIVE IN CHRIST.
May God bless your worship with us today.

We are Alive in Christ…
Equipping, encouraging, and serving others to grow the family of God in the one true faith.

IN PREPARATION
FOR COMMUNION

In the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, we receive the true Body and Blood of Jesus in, with and under the consecrated elements of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins. Jesus said: This is My Body…this is My Blood…for the forgiveness of sins. Believing these words and trusting in His promise, please consider these words of Jesus in your self-examination before communing. We ask that any who are not yet instructed, are in doubt, or who hold a confession different from the congregations of Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, to refrain from receiving the Sacrament at this time. Each person may come forward for a blessing with hands folded as an indication to the pastor that they wish to receive a blessing. If you have any questions regarding the reception of Holy Communion, please speak to our pastor before the service. Gluten-free wafers and/or grape juice are available. Please signify by lifting your pointer finger when elements are presented.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Psalm 1:1-6

[1]Blessèd is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of
sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; [2]but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he
meditates day and night. [3]He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its
season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers. [4]The wicked are not so,
but are like chaff that the wind drives away. [5]Therefore the wicked will not stand in the
judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; [6]for the LORD knows the way of the
righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

411 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

In Him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

2 I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus.
Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path, And show me the way to the Father.

In Him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race, We shall know the joy of Jesus.

In Him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

Invocation:

P: In the name of the Father, the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

Confession and Absolution:

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

P: Almighty God, merciful Father,

C: We confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen

P: Absolution

C: Amen

Collect of the Day:

P: O God, You have commanded us to love You above all things and our neighbors as ourselves. Grant us the Spirit to think and do what is pleasing in Your sight, that our faith in You may never waver and our love for one another may not falter; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

Old Testament Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2; 15-18

[1]And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, [2]"Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them, You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy. . . .

[15]"You shall do no injustice in court. You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor. [16]You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am the LORD.

[17]"You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. [18]You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD."

L: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle reading: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-13

[1]For you yourselves know, brothers, that our coming to you was not in vain. [2]But though we had already suffered and been shamefully treated at Philippi, as you know, we had boldness in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in the midst of much conflict. [3]For our appeal does not spring from error or impurity or any attempt to deceive, [4]but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, so we speak, not to please man, but to please God who tests our hearts. [5]For we never came with words of flattery, as you know, nor with a pretext for greed—God is witness. [6]Nor did we seek glory from people, whether from you or from others, though we could have made demands as apostles of Christ. [7]But we were gentle among you, like a nursing mother taking care of her own children. [8]So, being affectionately desirous of you, we were ready to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you had become very dear to us.

[9]For you remember, brothers, our labor and toil: we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you, while we proclaimed to you the gospel of God. [10]You are witnesses, and God also, how holy and righteous and blameless was our conduct toward you believers. [11]For you know how, like a father with his children, [12]we exhorted each one of you and encouraged you and charged you to walk in a manner worthy of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory.

[13]And we also thank God constantly for this, that when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men but as what it really is, the word of God, which is at work in you believers.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:34-46 (Please Stand if you are able)

[34]When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together.
[35]And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. [36]"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" [37]And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. [38]This is the great and first commandment. [39]And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. [40]On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

[41]Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, [42]saying, "What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David."

[43]He said to them, "How is it then that David, in the Spirit, calls him Lord, saying, [44]"'The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet'?
[45]If then David calls him Lord, how is he his son?" [46]And no one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to You, O Christ.

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 Son together is worshipped 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

Children's Message

549 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

1 All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of all.

2 Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God, Who from His altar call;
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod And crown Him Lord of all.
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod And crown Him Lord of all.

3 Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, Ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.

4 Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line, Whom David Lord did call,
The God incarnate, man divine, And crown Him Lord of all.
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5 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget The wormwood and the gall,
Go, spread your trophies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all.
Go, spread your trophies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all.

6 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, On this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all.
To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all.

7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all.
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Message: Pastor Greg Rachuy

Offering:

P: Let us give back a portion of the gifts that God has given to us.

Prayers: Please let us know of anything that we can pray for you!

Preparation for Holy Communion:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P: We should at all times give thanks to You Lord, for all You have done for us. You constantly show patience with us and have given Your only begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant us Your Spirit so that we may give heed to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words of which Christ gives to us, His body and His blood for our forgiveness.

C: Amen.

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

Consecration of the Elements

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

C: And also with you.

Distribution of the Sacrament

Please stand if you are able

Post Communion Hymn: Thank the Lord

Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell everyone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving, Alleluia, alleluia.

Post Communion Collect:

P: Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever.

C: Amen.

Benediction

May the Lord bless you and keep you;
May the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
May the Lord look upon you with His favor and give you peace!

918 Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer

1 Guide me, O Thou great Redeemer,
Pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;
Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more;
Feed me till I want no more.

2 Open now the crystal fountain
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer,
Be Thou still my strength and shield;
Be Thou still my strength and shield.

3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death and hell's destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever give to Thee;
I will ever give to Thee.

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