# 25th Sunday after Pentecost

November 10, 2024

Virtual Bulletin with Holy Communion, Setting IV

Hill Avenue Grace Lutheran Church

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### Order of the Liturgy

**Prelude** "Take my Life (Holiness)" arr. Tom Howard

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the Name of the Father, and of the  $\pm$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

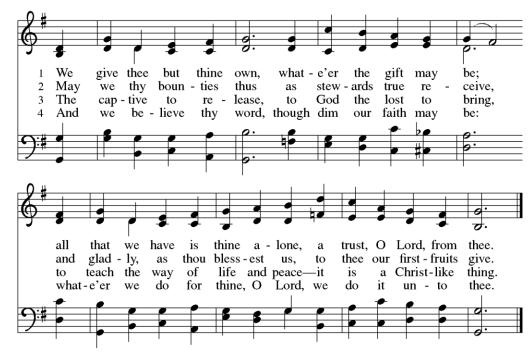
### Most merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the  $\pm$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 



### We Give Thee but Thine Own

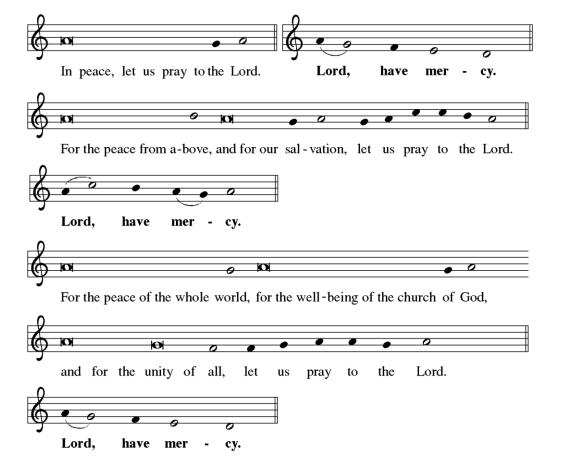


Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt. Music: HEATH, L. Mason and G. Webb, *Cantica Lauda*, 1850

#### **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.** 







#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, you show forth your almighty power chiefly by reaching out to us in mercy. Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in the treasures that come through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

### FIRST READING: 1 Kings 17:8-16

<sup>8</sup> The word of the LORD came to [Elijah,] saying, <sup>9</sup> "Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there, for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." <sup>10</sup> So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." <sup>11</sup> As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." <sup>12</sup> But she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die." <sup>13</sup> Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said, but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. <sup>14</sup> For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth." <sup>15</sup> She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. <sup>16</sup> The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

**PSALM: Psalm 146** The congregation responds with the bold verses.

- <sup>1</sup> Hal- | lelujah! Praise the LORD, | O my soul!
- <sup>2</sup> I will praise the LORD as long | as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I | have my being.
- <sup>3</sup> Put not your <sup>1</sup> trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there <sup>1</sup> is no help.
- <sup>4</sup> When they breathe their last, they re- | turn to earth, and in that day | their thoughts perish.
- <sup>5</sup> Happy are they who have the God of Jacob <sup>1</sup> for their help, whose hope is in the <sup>1</sup> LORD their God;
- <sup>6</sup> who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that <sup>1</sup> is in them; who keeps promis- <sup>1</sup> es forever;
- <sup>7</sup> who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to <sup>1</sup> those who hunger.

  The LORD sets the <sup>1</sup> captive free.
- <sup>8</sup> The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who | are bowed down; the LORD | loves the righteous.
- <sup>9</sup> The LORD cares <sup>|</sup> for the stranger;

the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way I of the wicked.

<sup>10</sup> The LORD shall | reign forever,

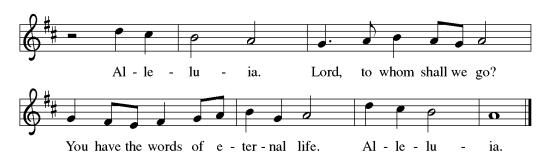
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. | Hallelujah!

#### **SECOND READING: Hebrews 9:24-28**

<sup>24</sup> Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. <sup>25</sup> Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the holy place year after year with blood that is not his own, <sup>26</sup> for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. <sup>27</sup> And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once and after that the judgment, <sup>28</sup> so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.





#### GOSPEL: Mark 12:38-44

<sup>38</sup> As [Jesus] taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces <sup>39</sup> and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! <sup>40</sup> They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

<sup>41</sup> He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. <sup>42</sup> A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. <sup>43</sup> Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. <sup>44</sup> For all of them have contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

The Gospel of our Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON Pastor Garry Mohr

HYMN OF THE DAY Take My Life, That I May Be ELW 685





Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793-1870

it shall be thy royal throne.

take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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.

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

Each petition ends with "Lord, in your mercy." The assembly responds with "hear our prayer."

**SHARING OF THE PEACE** - The presiding minister & the assembly share a virtual sign of peace. The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

#### **OFFERING**

#### **OFFERTORY**

**OFFERING PRAYER -** All speak the prayer together.

Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated unto you; and then use us, we pray you, as you will, and always to your glory and the welfare of your people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

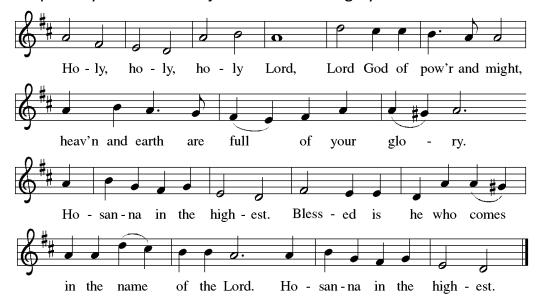
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

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

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

It is indeed right...we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

#### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

#### 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,

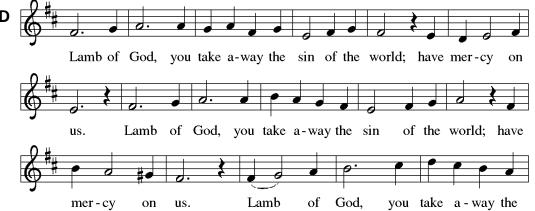
as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptations but deliver us from evil.

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

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION







#### **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

All are invited into a time of reflection before they receive communion. During this time, you may prepare your hearts to receive the sacrament. Once ready, you may commune yourself and those around you with the bread and wine/grape juice. A representative from each household may say the following—bread: "The body of Christ given for you." Wine/grape juice: "The blood of Christ shed for you."

**COMMUNION HYMN** 

"O Savior, Precious Savior"

**ELW 820** 

#### POST COMMUNION BLESSING

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

Amen.

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION -** All speak the prayer together.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **BLESSING**

May the Lord bless you, may the Lord keep you, the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and grant you his peace. In the name of the Father, the  $\pm$  Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN ELW 392

#### Alleluia! Sing to Jesus lu Sing - le sus; his the scep - ter, Not - le lu ia! Al as or phans are we left in Bread Al - le - lu ia! of heav - en, here earth our on - lu A1 - le ia! King e ter - nal, Lord om nip - o scep - ter, ia! Sing sus: his the



#### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

**Postlude** 

"Now Thank We All Our God"

A. Schreiner

Altar flowers are dedicated by the Ken & Gretchen Sterling: We continue to pray for Unity in our earthly world-wide life as we move ahead toward our Spiritual world and homecoming with our Lord.

Calendar This Week		
Every Sunday	10:00 AM	Virtual & In-Person Worship Service
Tues 11/12/24	5:00 PM	Council Meeting
Tues 11/12/24	7:00 PM	Alpha Course at Vintage Church
Wed 11/13/24	10:00 AM	Bible Study in the Chapel
Thurs 11/14/24	7:00 PM	Choir Practice
Sat 11/16/24	9:30 AM	Food Shelf Open

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

We are sad to share that our member **Jim Pelling went to be with his Lord on 10/5/24**. Please pray for his family as they deal with his passing.

Our long-time member **Diane Langill joined the Church Triumphant on 10/24/24**. Please pray for Natalie and Mark, and the rest of the family as they deal with Diane's passing. Graveside services are pending.

**Bob Menzies is now in the care of our Lord.** He passed away peacefully on 11/3/24, after many rough days and nights. Thank you all for your prayers and support of the Menzies' family. He will be dearly missed by many. A memorial service is being planned for Saturday, November 23rd, with a reception to follow in the gym. Please contact the office if you can help with setup, cleanup, etc...

This year we hope to provide **full Thanksgiving meals to 40 families** at a cost of \$70 each.

Make your check out to HAGL and get it to the office via the offering plate or mail, with 'Thanksgiving' in the memo line. The turkey dinners will be given out on Saturday, November 23. Another option is to help a homeless person with a \$10 Tops gift card. Please help give others a Thanksgiving meal!



### Advent Dinner—Sunday, December 8th at 6 pm

We are still in the planning stages for this year's Advent Dinner. We hope to have more details soon...for now pencil us in for Sunday, December 8th at 6pm for our annual Advent Dinner.

The Hill Avenue Grace Food Shelf needs volunteers! We're looking for new, friendly faces to help distribute food on Saturday mornings from 9:30 – 11:30 AM. You can help out as often or as little as you want. If you're open to hearing more, please contact Tobe Poehlmann at <a href="mailto:foodshelf@hillavenuegrace.org">foodshelf@hillavenuegrace.org</a>.

#### LIONS RECYCLE FOR SIGHT PROGRAM

Since 2019 Hill Avenue members have donated over 100 used prescription eyeglasses, sunglasses, and eyeglass cases to THE LIONS CLUB of PASADENA.

Lions have recognized the urgent need for corrective lenses and collect usable glasses in their communities to support the Lions Recycle for Sight Program. The used eyeglasses are cleaned and classified by prescription and distributed to children and adults in developing nations. You

may donate used prescription or nonprescription glasses or sunglasses. Both plastic and metal frames are accepted.

There is an "EYEGLASSES DEPOSIT HERE" Basket on the shelf of the Leroy Stone Annex in the Narthex: Please fill it up with the old glasses you are holding on to and once the basket is filled, they will be dropped off at Pasadena's Lion Club. The basket will remain to be filled Again and Again!



Join us this Sunday at 10 AM for our Virtual Worship via Zoom! Check in a few minutes early and hear the prelude! We look forward to seeing your faces and worshiping together!

### **Join Zoom Meeting**

https://zoom.us/j/95007590439?pwd=M2NmMUZCZzhMOUY0SG8xeHpxcU5RUT09

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