Harrold Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
October 31 2026 5 pm
November 1, 8 am & 10:30 am
All Saints Sunday



WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP!

- **It is a joy to welcome our visitors!** Please sign the guest book in the Communication Center at the rear of the church, to the right as you exit, and take a Welcome Packet which is filled with information about Harrold Zion. Please introduce yourself to the pastor as you leave worship. We hope you return soon!
- **Children's bags** are available in the Narthex.
- **There is a prayer request book** on a podium in the Welcome Center. Please write name(s) in the book prior to the service to have names included in the prayers.
- **Large print bulletins** are available from any usher for those needing them.
- **Hearing devices** are available from any usher for those needing them.
- **An AED machine** can be found on the wall after the Ladies Room on the left. **First Aid Kits** can be found: On top shelf in Communication Center at the rear of the church, in hallway near the women's room, in the church office, on the mailbox in the library, and downstairs near the kitchen.
- **Receiving Holy Communion -** We believe the body and blood of Christ to be present in the bread and wine. All who are baptized are invited to share in this meal. Please come forward at the usher's direction. Non-communing children may come forward for a blessing. If you desire communion in the pew, please inform one of the ushers so that you may receive communion there.

OUR MISSION:

To Worship and Serve God,

Grow Disciples and Love our Neighbors

Our Vision:

Building Faith that's Open, Affirming, Authentic, Positive, Inviting, and that Serves Others.

GATHERING – *We are brought together to give our thanks and praise to God.*

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude 8 am & 10:30 am *Sonatina (Clementi)*

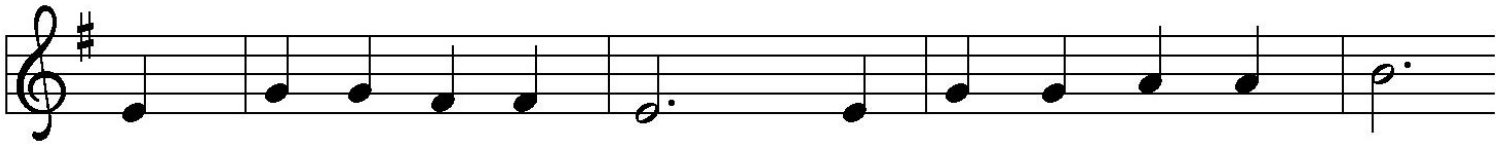
Confession and Forgiveness
All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.
Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth. **Amen.**
Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.
Silence is kept for reflection.
Compassionate God,
we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts. Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others. Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world and reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.
Hear this good news: We have peace with God through ☩ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace.
Amen.

Sharing of the Peace
The Peace of Christ with you all. **And also with you.**
(Take a moment to greet others with the peace of Christ.)
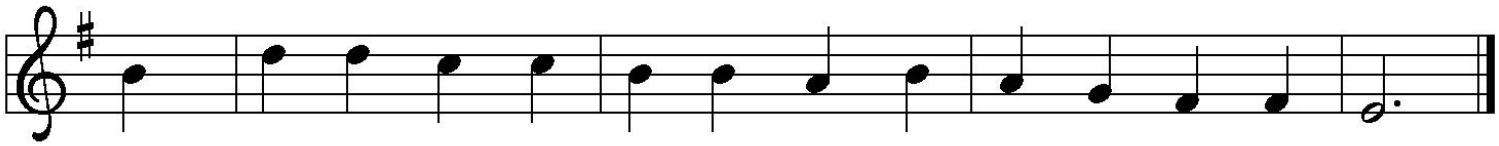
Gathering Hymn # 422 *For All the Saints* (Vs 1-3)

Apostolic 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.**

Kyrie
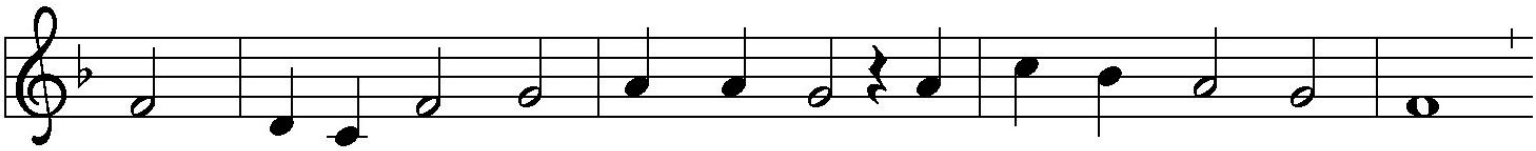


1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.
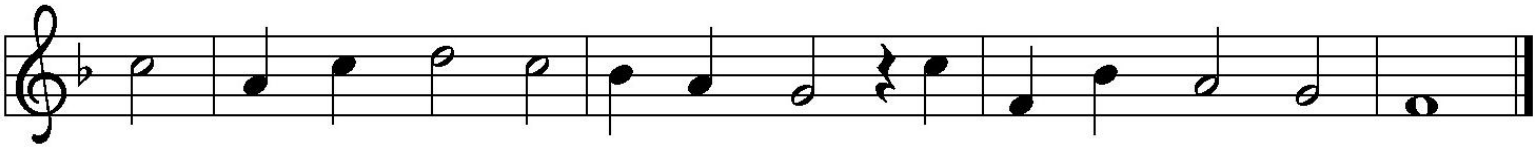


We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

Hymn of Praise



1 Come, let us join our cheer - ful songs with an - gels round the throne;
2 "Wor - thy the Lamb that died," they cry, "to be ex - alt - ed thus!"
3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re - ceive hon - or and pow'r di - vine;
4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one to bless the sa - cred name



ten thou-sand thou - sand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.
"Wor - thy the Lamb," our lips re - ply, "for he was slain for us!"
and bless-ings, more than we can give, be, Lord, for - ev - er thine.
of God who sits up - on the throne, and to a - dore the Lamb.

Prayer of the Day , Let us pray: **Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**
Amen.

Please be seated

WORD *We hear God's teachings to guide our path of serving*

First Reading**:** Revelation 7:9-17.

9 After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count,
from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before
the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their
hands. 10 They cried out in a loud voice, saying,
"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!"
11 And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the
four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and
worshiped God, 12 singing,
"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."
13 Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in
white, and where have they come from?" 14 I said to him, "Sir, you are the one
who knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the
great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood
of the Lamb.
15 For this reason they are before the throne of God
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
16 They will hunger no more and thirst no more;

the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat,
17 for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 34:1-10,22

1 I will bless the LORD at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.
2 **I will glory in the LORD;**
let the lowly hear and rejoice.
3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;
let us exalt God's name together.
4 **I sought the LORD, who answered me**
and delivered me from all my terrors.
5 Look upon the LORD and be radiant,
and let not your faces be ashamed.
6 **I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me**
and saved me from all my troubles.
7 The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD
and delivers them.
8 **Taste and see that the LORD is good;**
happy are they who take refuge in God!
9 Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD,
for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.
10 **The lions are in want and suffer hunger,**
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.
22 O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.
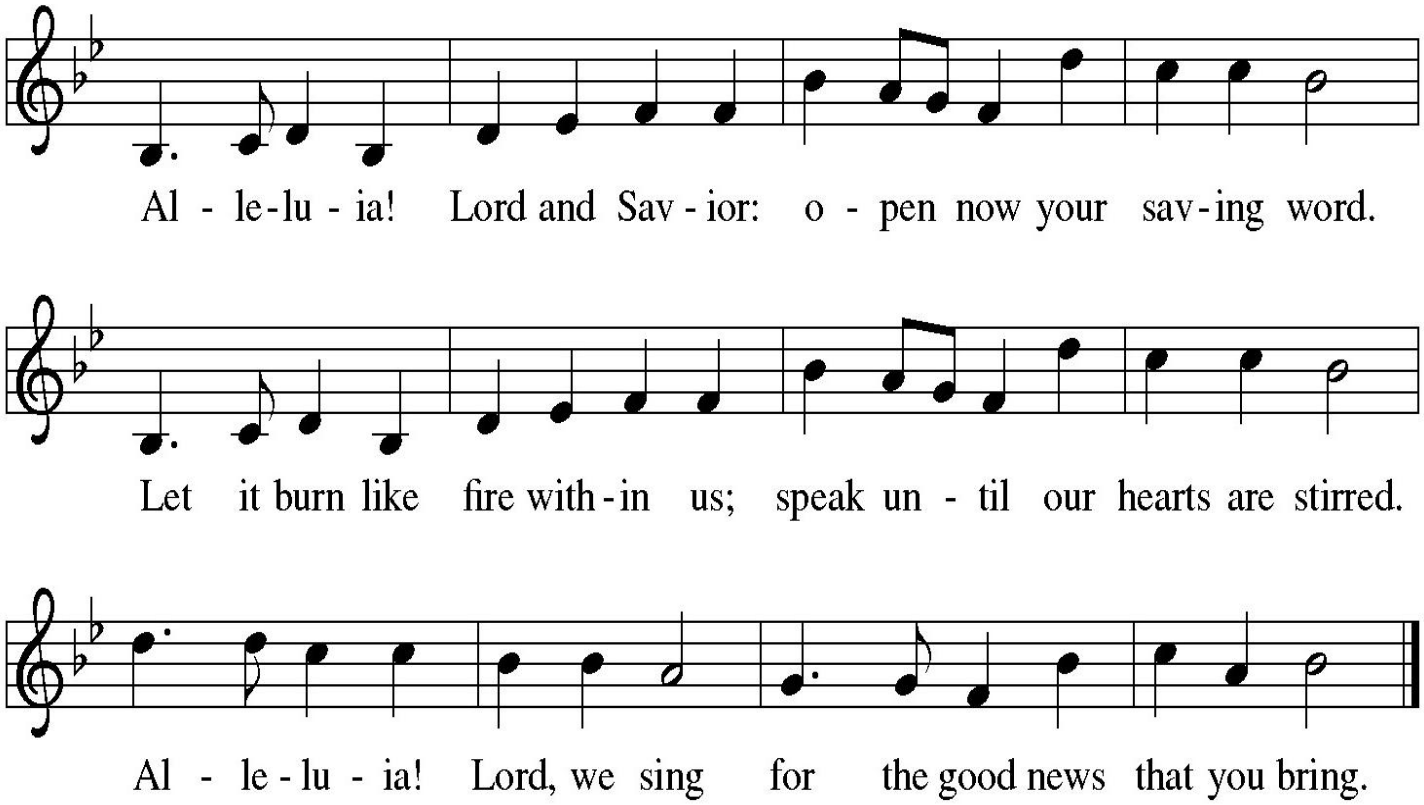
Second Reading: 1John 3 1-3 9

A reading from 1 John.

1 See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has

not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. [3] And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation *(You are invited to stand.)*



Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12
The holy gospel according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.
[1] When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. [2] And he began to speak and taught them, saying:
[3] "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
[4] "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
[5] "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
[6] "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
[7] "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
[8] "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

9 “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
10 “Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
11 “Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”
The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Children’s Message

Message

Hymn # 632 *O God Our Help in Ages Past*

The Apostle’s 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.

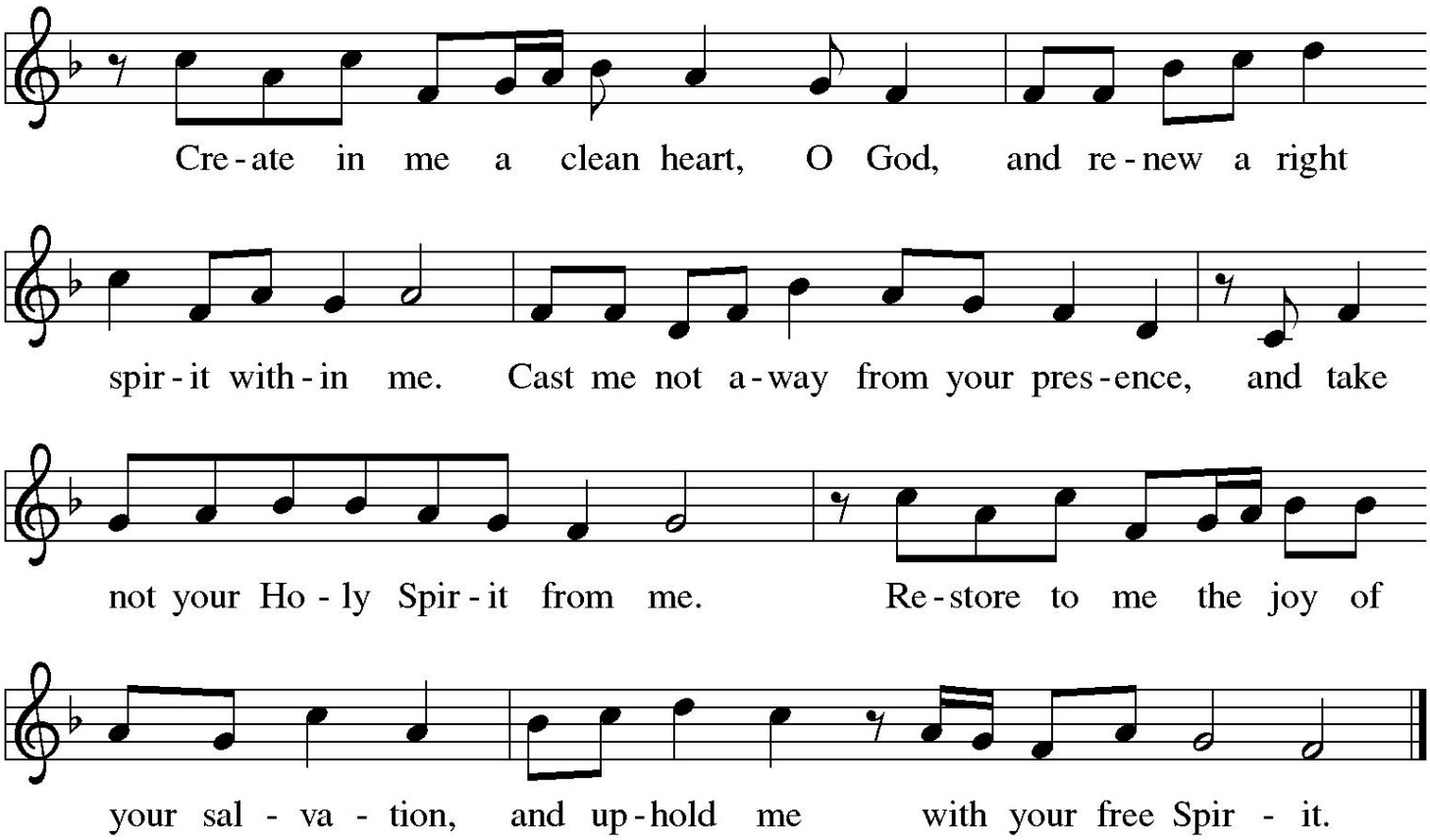
Prayers of Intercession
(petitions)…Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**
(prayer concludes)…**Amen.**

Offering: *Minuet* (Bach)

Our *Secure Giving Page:*

MEAL – *We are built up and nourished to be the body of Christ in the world.*

Offertory



Offertory Prayer

Let us pray together. **God of creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always. Amen.**

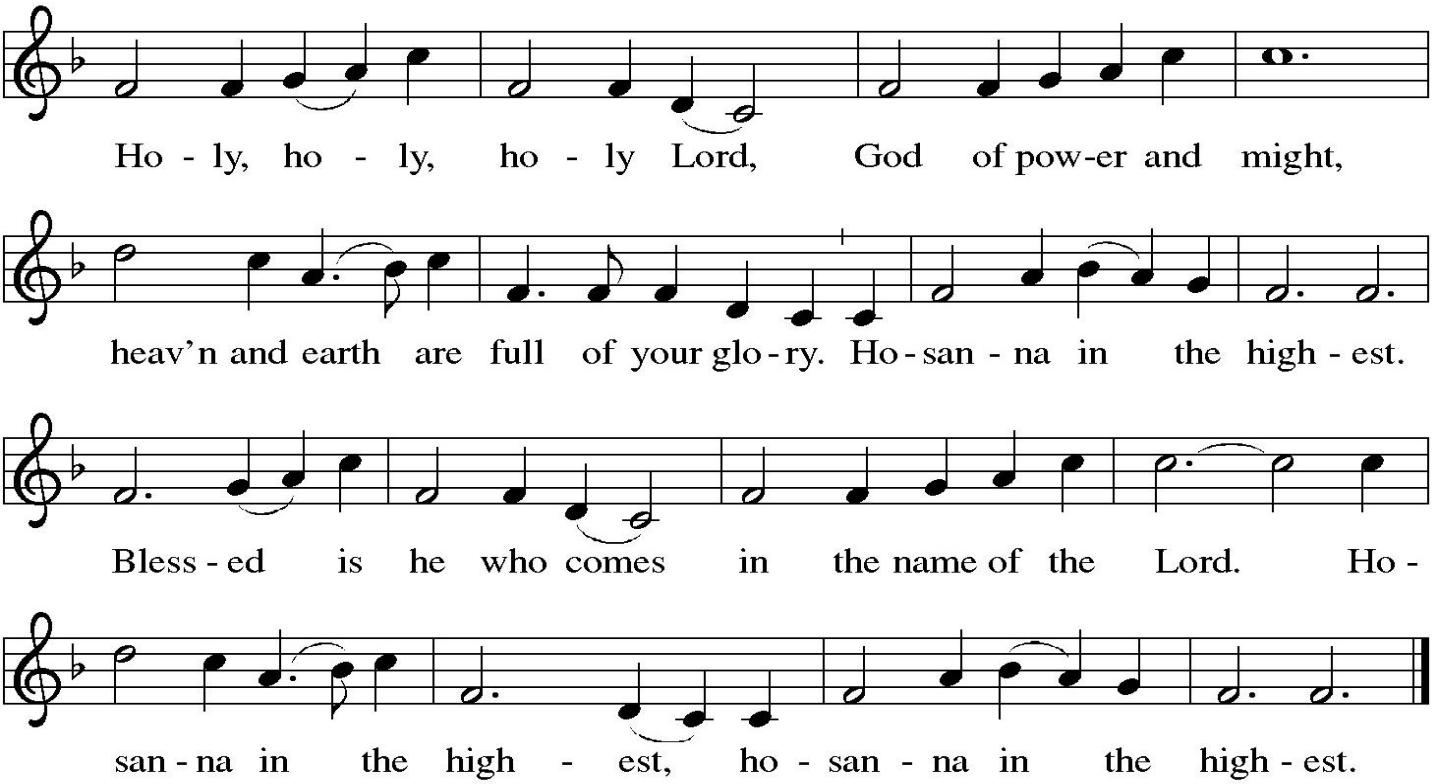
Great Thanksgiving and Proper Preface

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 and salutary.…and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer (IX)
Holy God,…with every breath. **We praise you, O God.**
Generations bless…into the future. **We bless you, O God.**
We give you…with us now. **We thank you, O God.**
In the night…mystery of faith.
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
We pray…without end. **Amen.**
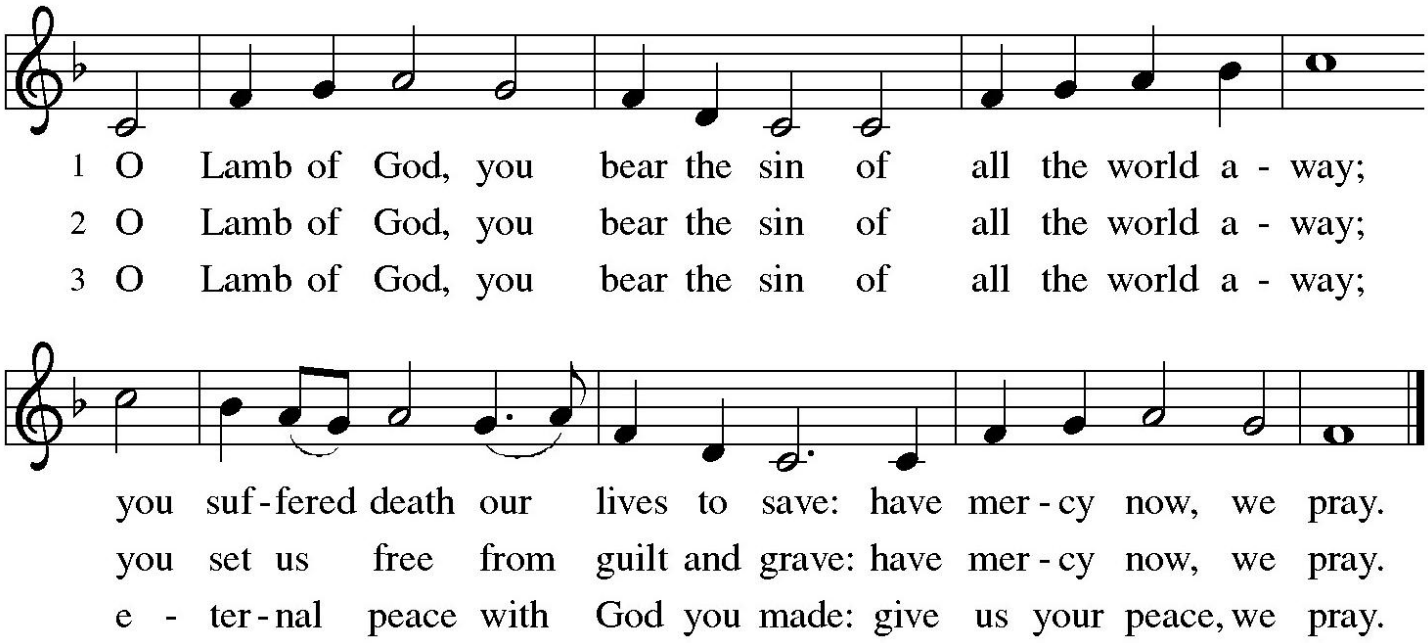
Lord's Prayer
Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and 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

Breaking of the Bread and Invitation

Christ invites you to this table. All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!
Please be seated.

Lamb of God



Distribution of the Sacrament

The proclamation is shared for those communing at home (online) or in pew with an all-in-one kit.
Sharing the elements:
The Body of Christ given for you. The Blood of Christ shed for you.
Each person may respond: **Amen.**
The leaders share Holy Communion.
The assembly is invited to come forward by the direction of the ushers by the center aisle and receive Holy communion, then return via the side aisle. (Sunday: You may receive at the floor stations or around the altar.)

Communion Hymns

#423 *Shall We Gather at the River*

#427 *For all Your Saints* (VS 4-7)

SENDING – *We are set out to share hope and make disciples.*
Communion Blessing (*You may stand when invited.)*
Response: ***Amen*****.**

Post-Communion Prayer
Let us pray together. **Sustaining God, with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

Sending Hymn # 422 *For All the Saints (VS 4-7)*

Dismissal
Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: 8am & 10:30 am *Ye Watchers & Ye Holy Ones* (Koln)

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WE THANK TODAY'S SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Acolyte:8 am Heidi Koehl
10:30 am Josh Hayes
Lector: 8 am Krissy Korona
10:30am Tony Gacek
Comm. Assistants:8am -Kevin Torrance-Host, Glen Donna Dorsey. Tom Kubinec
10:30 Kim Elias- Host, Mandy Kanouff, Lloyd Fait
Ushers 8 am Grace Korona, Krissy Korona, Dorinda Stempfer

10;30 am Molly McCaffrey, Joanne Steiner, Rick & Susan Yaksic
Altar: Nancy Basile

Thank you to our guest organist Susan Molnar on Sunday.
Thank you Rev Scott Dennis for leading us in worship this Saturday Evening.
Thank you Reverend Ed Sheehan for leading us in worship this Sunday.

The Carnations on the altar are given to God and in memory of:

Rev. Ellen Anderson	Fern Lee (Morgan Benson	Marilyn Rassmann
Lee Dyson	Donald Arthur Freeman	Barry J. Torau Sr.
Patricia Ann Rogers	Donna Porterfield	Dirk Cunningham
Louis Andrew DiOrio	Marie Milliron	Kathy Poole
Maureen Galardini	David R. Bailey	David Mentch
Carol Purych	Steve Purych	Donald Lantermo

*** Please forgive my spelling on some of your loved ones names..*

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Mary Lou Millward's 80th Birthday, Happy Birthday Mary Lou! From your beloved husband John.

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Mary Lou Millward's 80th Birthday. Happy Birthday Mary Lou Love, Curtis & Rita.

The Rose is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Loraine Cochenour, Happy Birthday! Love Bill.

The Rose is given to the glory of God and in honor of Mary Lou Millward, Happy Birthday Mom, Love Kevin & Joanne.

The bulletin is given to the glory of and in loving memory of Loraine Cochenour by Bill Cochenour.

New Arrival Procedure for Sunday School/Faith Formation: This fall as we welcome children and adults back to Sunday School/Faith Formation classes, we ask that everyone enter through the ***Main Church Sanctuary Doors*** and then proceed to individual classrooms. Thank you!

OFFICE Hours M-TH 9:00 AM –2:00 PM, FRIDAY 9 AM-12PM

Pastor Paul (Gruesu) is our minister for pastoral emergencies his phone number is 724-837-6212.

SUNDAY
8 am Soc. Hall & Pav. Reserv.
8:00 am Worship
9:00 am Parents Breakfast
10:30 am Worship

MONDAY
9:00 P School
10:30 am Quilting Ministry
1:00 pm Quilting Ministry

TUESDAY
6:00 am Election Day
9:30 am Preschool

WEDNESDAY
9:00 am P School
6:00 pm Bell Choir
7:00 PM Adult Choir

THURSDAY
9:30 am Preschool
7:00 PM Boy Scouts

FRIDAY
9 am Preschool
6:00 pm Littles Playdate

SATURDAY
8:00 am Men's Breakfast
9:00 am Lions District Meeting
5:00 pm Worship

Special Congregational Meeting
October 24 and 25, 2026
A special congregational meeting was held at the conclusion of worship services on October 24 and 25, 2026 for the sole purpose of accepting additional nominees from the floor to fill the slate of candidates for the election of church council members whose terms will commence on January 1, 2027. President Brad Zundel called the meeting to order at the conclusion of the October 24 worship service. At the conclusion of each service, he noted that council had approved the following nominees' names to appear on the ballot for voting to be held during congregational meeting part A, on the weekend of November 21 and 22, 2026: Kevin Torrance, Jake Henry, Jennifer Hepler, Barb Rigoni, Tony Gacek, Tom Kubinek, Kelly Perry, and Deb Mertz. There were no additional nominations from the floor. The meeting adjourned at the conclusion of the second service on a motion by Kelly Perry and a second by Bob Majcher.

Wreaths
We will sponsor 16 Wreaths this year at a cost of $25 per wreath. The wreaths will be used to decorate our church over the holiday season. They are on a first come first serve basis. Please call Robyn in the office at 724-837-7327, to reserve your wreath**.**

Volunteer Opportunity Binder
Every member of our congregation has skills and interests to share. Please consider serving on a ministry or committee that is meaningful to you. A **volunteer binder** with sign-up sheets for a variety of opportunities is located in the Communication Center. Where can you offer your assistance?

Harvest Home Collection- HARVEST HOME COLLECTION – Now through November 1, 2026
The Harvest Home Collection is for the benefit of the Westmoreland Food Bank. Non-perishable food items and paper products can be given and brought to the church, as well as monetary donations. With every dollar collected the Food Bank can purchase 2-3 times more than we can purchase at a grocery store. This helps provide multiple meals due to the Food Bank's bulk buying power. If you wish to make a monetary donation, please make your check out to Harrold Zion with a note on it for the Harvest Home Collection. Thank you for your continued generosity to those in need.
Any questions, see or call Linda Boyer, 724-635-0339.

Laugh with the Lutheran Comedy Matinee Sunday November 15th
Tickets are currently on sale after every service for the "Laugh With the Lutherans" comedy show on Sunday, November 15th. Ticket cost is $40 per person which covers food and entertainment. Appetizers and Hor D'oeuvres will be served along with beverages, and a Wine bar will be available for an additional charge. There will also be an opportunity to purchase raffle tickets. We currently have over a dozen different baskets/items for raffle (more details to come). There are event flyers in the communication center that have a QR code for purchases of tickets online with an extra surcharge. Please take flyers to share with your friends, family, and co-workers who might be interested in joining us. We will be advertising the event for the community starting in

October so get your tickets early to guarantee your seats and reservations. Only 136 seats will be sold.

Hannahs Socks
What gifts are we preparing to give back to God? Please join me once again for collecting socks for Hannahs socks campaign going forward through the Grace of God and all the generosity of the congregation. The socks need to be new and in all sizes. We will be collecting them from September 15 to the end of November. Remember these will be someone's Christmas gift. Please help. I can never Thank You all enough. We have many neighbors in need. The bins are in the narthex!! Lets fill them up!

Littles Play Time & Faith Formation: If you have a preschooler or a kindergartener (or even a little one just entering the first grade), join us on November 6th at 6:00pm for our Littles Play Time & Faith Formation! This gives our little ones a chance to meet, play, and grow in faith together while their trusted adults can have fellowship amongst themselves. Snacks and light refreshments will be provided!

High School Faith Formation: Every Sunday morning, there will be a High School Faith Formation class starting at 9:15am. This will be a relaxed and lowkey time for food, fellowship, and a group discussion on how Sunday's Gospel lesson can be relevant for our lives today. Any high schooler from 9th to 12th grade is welcome to come and join us!

6-9 Youth Group: We will have a bi-weekly Youth Group for grades 6-9. It will meet on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 6:30pm. We will have time for eating, games, faith formation, and downtime to hang out with your friends. And speaking of friends, feel free to bring your friends to the Youth Group! All are welcome!

Heavenly Father, We lift up this congregation with their church to You during this time of deep struggle and uncertainty. Lord, You see the pain of the people leaving, the division surrounding the ministry, and the heavy hearts of all. We ask for Your peace to guard this church. Where there is conflict, bring Your spirit of reconciliation. Where there is confusion, bring Your divine clarity and wisdom. We pray for healing over every hurt, misunderstanding, and broken relationship that has caused people to walk away. Please give the leaders

discernment to guide us with humility, truth, and grace. Rekindle the first love of this community and remind them that You are the true foundation of the church. We trust that You can restore what is broken and bring new life out of this season. We ask all this in the name of Jesus. Amen

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Starting on Sunday October 25th at 9:15 A.M. we will begin a new Adult Sunday School Class using an initial 13-week curriculum entitled Bible Studies for Life. All are encouraged to come together to learn how God's Word works in your life. If the class likes this format we can continue on with more sessions or try some other course of learning.

HELP WANTED

In order to pass our Township Fire Inspection, we have been told to replace or add 12 lighted emergency exit signs and install 4 GFI outlets. If there is anyone interested in helping that has electrical skills or is just generally handy, we could use your assistance. Call or text John Millward at 724-244-4528 so that we can organize our efforts.

If anyone is interested in a day of prayer for our church at 15 minute intervals, Please sign up in the communication center 9 am – 3 pm. If we get enough volunteers… Hopefully we will fill out the day! Thank you!

OPERATION REINEER

It is time for Christmas at Torrance State Hospital. The Operation Reindeer tree will be up and decorated by October 31. The tags will show the gift suggestions for you to shop. As in the past, you don't need a tag as long as you buy what the residents need or want. The list hasn't changed from years past. PLEASE NOTE: If you choose to donate a monetary gift, you can mail it in or put it in the offering plate payable to the church. The following is the list of items that are requested: CLOTHING: Socks, undergarments, sports bra, sweatshirts, sweatpants, other types of tops, t-shirts, jeans or other pants, bathrobes (NO BELTS) jackets coats, sweaters, pajamas (ALL ARE REQUESTED IN LARGER SIZES SUCH AS MENS'XL OR LARGER AND WOMENS' LARGE OR LARGER). Earmuffs, mittens, gloves, hats. TOILETRIES: Shampoo, conditioner, dusting powder, soap, body wash, hair

brush, ponytail holders, hand or body lotion, shaving gel/cream, lipstick, lip balm, lip gloss, eye shadow, mascara, facial foundation, blush.
MISCELLANEOUS: Craft kits (NO NEEDLES OR SHARP OBJECTS), puzzle books, batteries (especially AA), wallet, watch, sports memorabilia (especially Pittsburgh teams) writing paper, stationary items, stamps, phone cards (in great demand).FOOD: individually wrapped snacks, diabetic or sugarless items. If you have questions, please contact Mary Lou Millward at 724-635-0218.

Christmas cards for our homebound. We will be taking Christmas cards to our homebound members when we go Christmas caroling December 6th at 1:00 pm. Pick up a list of the homebound members names in the communication center, sign your Christmas cards and write the homebound members name on the envelope. Please do not seal the envelope for ease of opening by the homebound. We divide into groups and deliver the bags of cards to each homebound when we sing to them- EVERYONE is invited to join the groups as we go caroling. The more carolers we have the more groups we can make. There is a box in the Communication Center to place your cards. ****If you would like someone added to our Homebound List please let Robyn know soon so we can be sure they are added.***** Last day for cards to be collected will be November 29th. Questions contact Joanne Gebhardt 724 787-5158

ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP

Altar Flowers: November 7 (2 Vases), November 14,15 (2 Vases), November 21&22(2 Vases), November 24th (1 basket), November 28,29(2 Vases)
Roses: Oct 31, November 1 (1 Rose), November 7 (2 Roses), November 14,15 (2 Roses), November 21 & 22 (2 Roses), November 28,29 (2 Roses)
Candle: November 1**,** November 14,15, November 21,22**,**
Bulletin:, November 7, November 14,15, November 21,22

To sponsor items, please sign up in the Communication Center

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Lavanya Baid, Saturday Pianist