

Zoar Evangelical Lutheran Church

"Responding in Service to God's Love"



Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost, November 16, 2025

Welcome to Zoar Lutheran Church!

We're glad you're here to worship with us and pray that your spirit will be refreshed and transformed by the abundant grace of our God.

Zoar seeks to follow Jesus's example of inclusion by welcoming and affirming all, including all whom the world attempts to separate, divide, or isolate. We are committed to fostering social justice and racial equality.

The Zoar community is committed to the ongoing work of welcoming all ages, races and ethnicities, physical and mental abilities, marital, economic, and legal statuses, sexual orientations, gender identities and gender expressions, as well as all theological perspectives.

We celebrate Holy Communion in worship each week, and all who desire a deeper relationship with the God revealed in Jesus Christ are welcome to partake. This is Christ's table – not our table – and so, we follow Jesus in welcoming all people to the table.

The "Creative Corner" and children's worship bulletins are available for our younger friends. We also offer Children's Time during worship.

If you have a special prayer request or would like to speak with our Pastor in private later this week, forms are available from an usher.

Hearing devices are available at the AV booth at the back of the sanctuary. Feel free to stand at the rail for Holy Communion if kneeling is uncomfortable, or let an usher know and we can bring Communion to you.

We invite you to join us in worship, community, fellowship, and ministry – all aspects of congregational life and leadership. Please join us after the worship service for fellowship.

May you find Zoar* to be your "little place of refuge." *You are welcome here.*

(* The name "Zoar" is found in Genesis 19. Zoar is the small town where Lot and his family take refuge when Sodom and Gomorrah are about to be destroyed. "Zoar" means "small" in Hebrew, and since Zoar was a place of refuge, our congregation aspires to be a "little place of refuge.")

Welcome / Announcements

Ringling of the Bell

Prelude

Full Attention

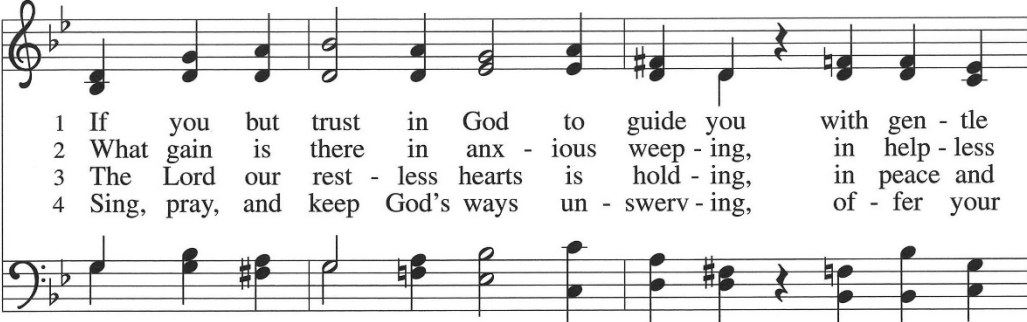
Written by Jeremy Riddle, Sung by Ordinary Men

Please stand, as you are able.

Gathering Hymn

TRUST, GUIDANCE

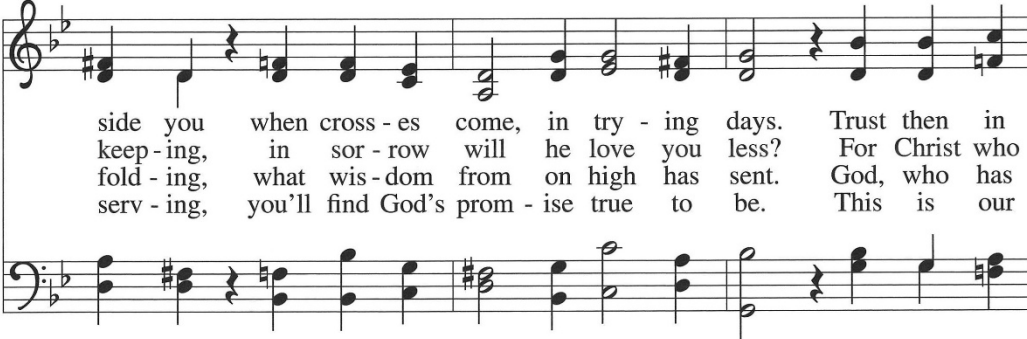
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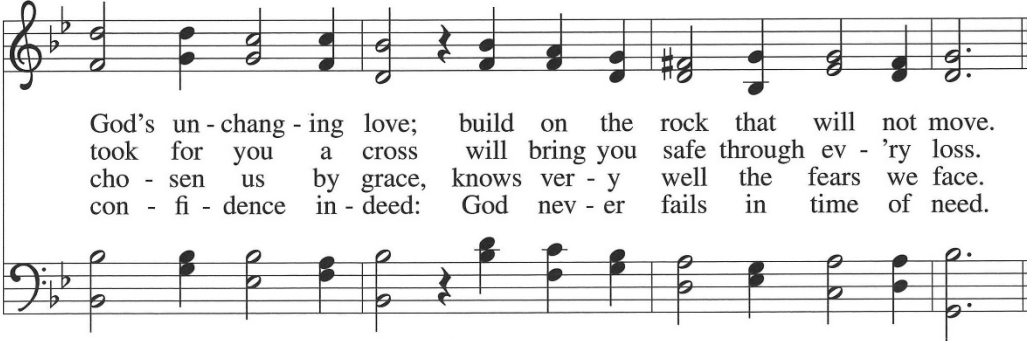
1 If you but trust in God to guide you with gen - tle
2 What gain is there in anx - ious weep - ing, in help - less
3 The Lord our rest - less hearts is hold - ing, in peace and
4 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways un - swerv - ing, of - fer your



hand through all your ways, you'll find that God is there be -
an - ger and dis - tress? If you are in your Sav - ior's
qui - et - ness con - tent. We rest in God's good will un -
ser - vice faith - ful - ly. Trust heav - en's word; though un - de -



side you when cross - es come, in try - ing days. Trust then in
keep - ing, in sor - row will he love you less? For Christ who
fold - ing, what wis - dom from on high has sent. God, who has
serv - ing, you'll find God's prom - ise true to be. This is our



God's un - chang - ing love; build on the rock that will not move.
took for you a cross will bring you safe through ev - 'ry loss.
cho - sen us by grace, knows ver - y well the fears we face.
con - fi - dence in - deed: God nev - er fails in time of need.

Text: Georg Neumark, 1621-1681; tr. composite
Music: Georg Neumark
Text © 1978, 2006 Augsburg Fortress

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The Greeting

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

Kyrie



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Lord, have mer - cy:



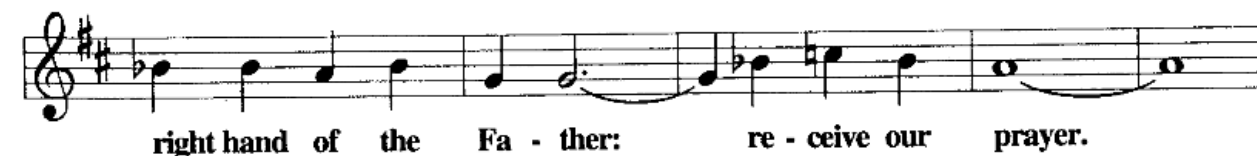
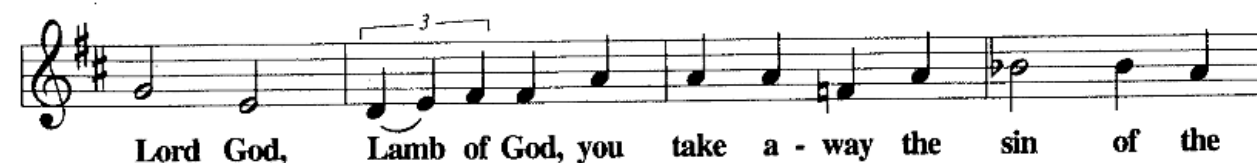
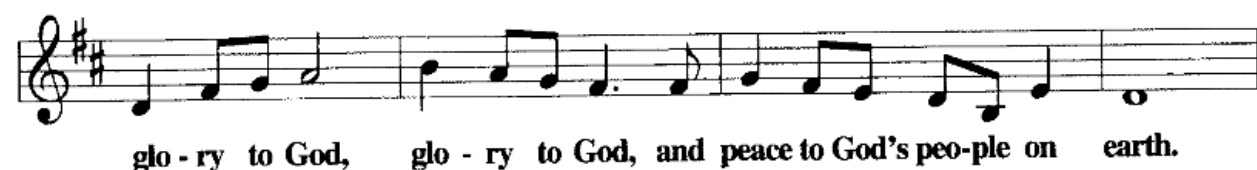
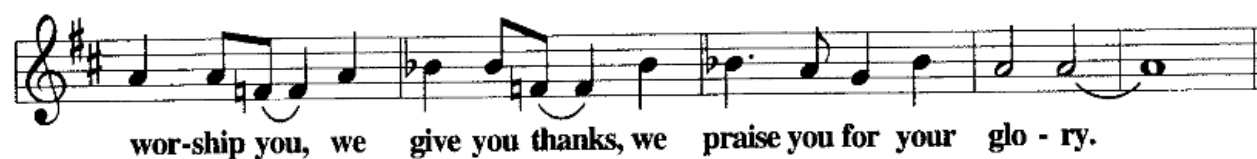
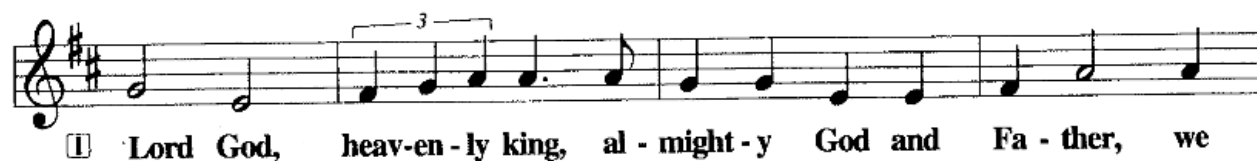
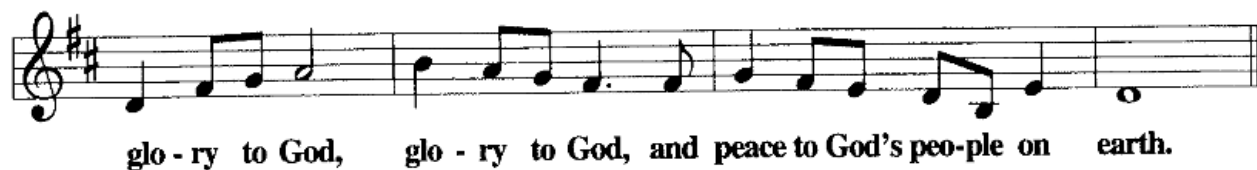
Ⓐ Chri - ste e - le - i - son: ☩ Christ, have mer - cy.
Christ, . . . have mer - cy:



Ⓐ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: ☩ Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:



Gloria



C Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

I
II For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

C Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth,
and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Salutation

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

P: O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

⁶ Now we command you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from every brother or sister living irresponsibly and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷ For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not irresponsible when we were with you, ⁸ and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹ This was not because we do not have that right but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹ For we hear that some of you are living irresponsibly, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹² Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God**

Please stand, as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation



The Gospel Reading

IP: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the twentieth chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

As history moves toward God's fulfillment there will be frightening signs and events. Before the end, believers will draw strength from their relationship to God and will be given the words they need to testify and to endure without fear.

⁵ When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, ⁶ "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

⁷ They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" ⁸ And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray, for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

⁹ "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." ¹⁰ Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹ there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

¹² "But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³ This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴ So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, ¹⁵ for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷ You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your souls."

IP: The gospel of the Lord!

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

Children's Time

The Message

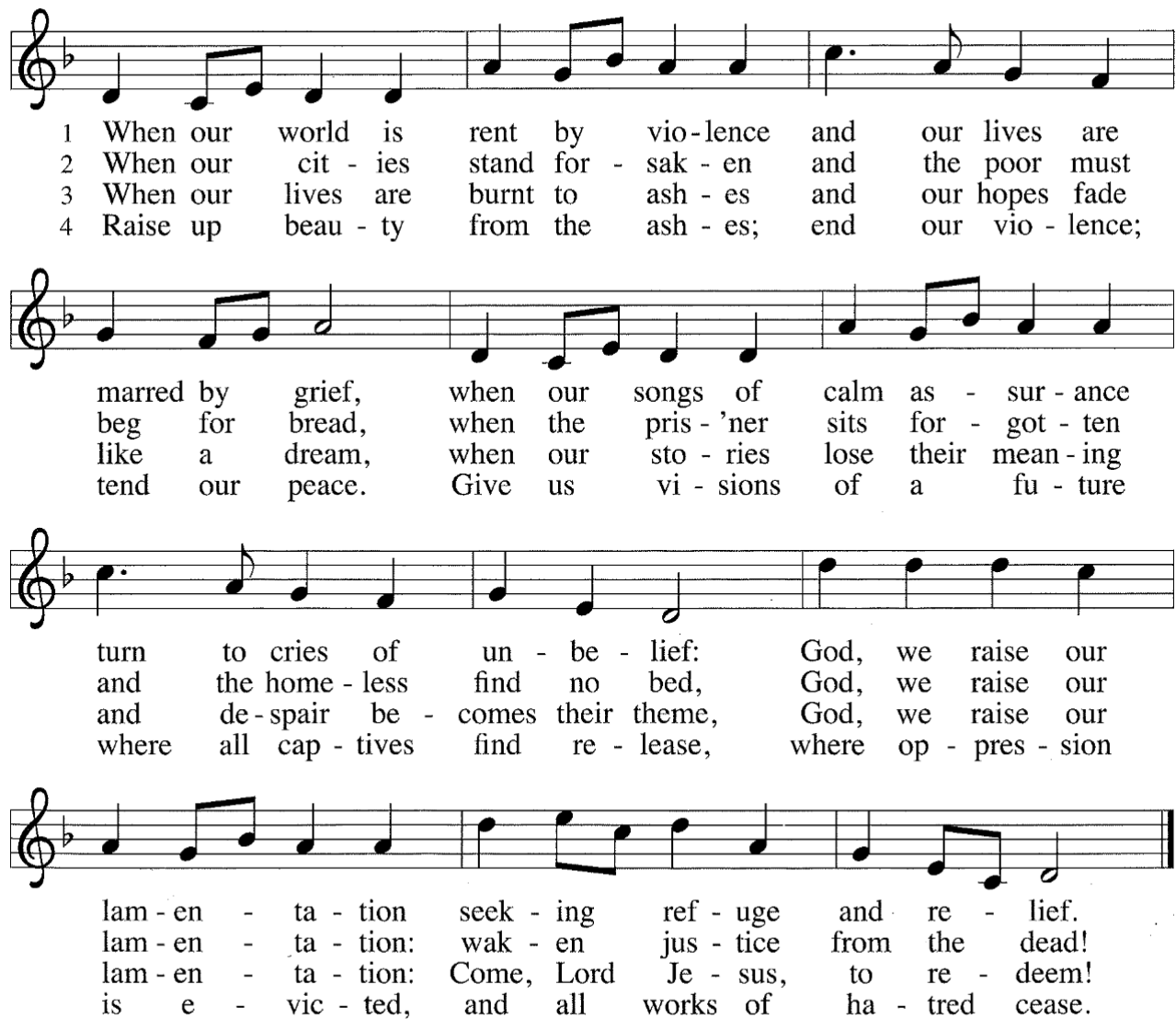
Intern Pastor Katie Insalaco



Please stand, as you are able.

Hymn of the Day

When Our World Is Rent by Violence 1052



1 When our world is rent by vio - lence and our lives are
2 When our cit - ies stand for - sak - en and the poor must
3 When our lives are burnt to ash - es and our hopes fade
4 Raise up beau - ty from the ash - es; end our vio - lence;

marred by grief, when our songs of calm as - sur - ance
beg for bread, when the pris - 'ner sits for - got - ten
like a dream, when our sto - ries lose their mean - ing
tend our peace. Give us vi - sions of a fu - ture

turn to cries of un - be - lief: God, we raise our
and the home - less find no bed, God, we raise our
and de - spair be - comes their theme, God, we raise our
where all cap - tives find re - lease, where op - pres - sion

lam - en - ta - tion seek - ing ref - uge and re - lief.
lam - en - ta - tion: wak - en jus - tice from the dead!
lam - en - ta - tion: Come, Lord Je - sus, to re - deem!
is e - vic - ted, and all works of ha - tred cease.

Text: David Bjorlin, b. 1984

Music: Carl F. Schalk, b. 1929

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The Prayers of the People

(The petitioner will say, "Hear us, O God"; the congregation will respond with "Your mercy is great.")

Sharing the Peace of Christ

P: On the count of 3, let's all say together, **"The peace of Christ be with you always!"**

Please be seated.

The Offering

Please take a moment of silent prayer to consider the many needs and to give thanks for the blessings you've received from God. Ask God to guide you in discerning how you can share some of the gifts God has entrusted to you. (Perhaps you'll feel moved to call someone, to write a card, or to make an extra donation in support of ministries making a difference in our wider community, so that they can continue to bring light and life to our neighbors in need.)

Thankoffering

As we give our Thankofferings today, we share in a tradition that goes back at least to the 1800s, when Christian women formed "mite" or "cent" societies to support the mission of the church. When others said there was not enough money to carry out the church's work, the women believed otherwise and acted together. In these societies, each woman collected offerings at home. On occasion, they would gather as we do today to worship and make their offerings with thanks and praise. When Women of the ELCA was formed 30 years ago, we committed to continue this tradition of giving in gratitude for blessings. Each year, in thousands of congregations, Thankofferings are given to support the life-changing ministries of Women of the ELCA. Together, we do more than we could ever do apart. In gratitude for all God has given to us, and with hope for all that is to come, let us now give our Thankoffering. Today we have an opportunity to give a special "Thankoffering" to Zoar Lutheran Church Women (ZLCW) and their umbrella organization, Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (WELCA). Your offering supports our churchwide women's organization, which supports women in ministry and does important advocacy work in combating human trafficking.

Instructions for Thankoffering gifts: Please place your Thankoffering gifts in the baskets located on the communion tables as you receive communion.

The Offertory

Please stand, as you are able.

The Offering Hymn

"Sacred Creation"

REFRAIN:

Sacred the land, sacred the water, sacred the sky, holy and true.
Sacred all life, sacred each other, all reflect God who is good.

Verse 1:

All praise be yours through Brother Sun, bearing a likeness of you, Most High One.
Sister Moon and Stars who are precious, splendid, ride your glorious sky. **R**

Verse 2:

Brother Wind and Air that pervades, vary their moods to sustain all you've made.
Sister Water, useful and pure, lowly, freely sharing her life. **R**

Verse 3:

Through Brother Fire you brighten the night, strong and robust yet playful and bright.
Sister Earth, our mother who nurtures, feeding, yielding flower and herb. **R**

Offering Prayer

- A: God of healing and hope,
you bless those who are hungry,
promising to fill them with good things.
Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts.
Nourish us with the abundance of your feast
and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior,
now and forever.
- C: **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

C: **It is right to give God thanks and praise**

The Proper Preface

P: It is our duty and delight that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, O God, through Jesus Christ, who calls us to follow his way of humble service and love, and so, with the church on earth, all creation, and the host of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho -
san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer and Words of Institution

P: Holy God,
you alone are holy,
you alone are God.

IP: The universe declares your praise:
beyond the stars;
beneath the sea;
within each cell;
with every breath.

C: We praise you, O God.

P: Generations bless your faithfulness:
through the water;
by night and day;
across the wilderness;
out of exile;
into the future.

C: We bless you, O God.

IP: We give you thanks for your dear Son:
at the heart of human life;
near to those who suffer;
beside the sinner;
among the poor;
with us now.

C: We thank you, O God.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread,
and gave thanks; broke it,
and gave it to his disciples,
saying: Take and eat;
this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

P: Again, after supper,
he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink,

saying: This cup
is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

IP: Remembering his love for us
on the way,
at the table,
and to the end,
we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**C: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

P: We pray for the gift of your Spirit:
in our gathering;
within this meal;
among your people;
throughout the world.

IP: Blessing, praise, and thanks
to you, holy God,
through Christ Jesus,
by your Spirit,
in your church,
without end.

C: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

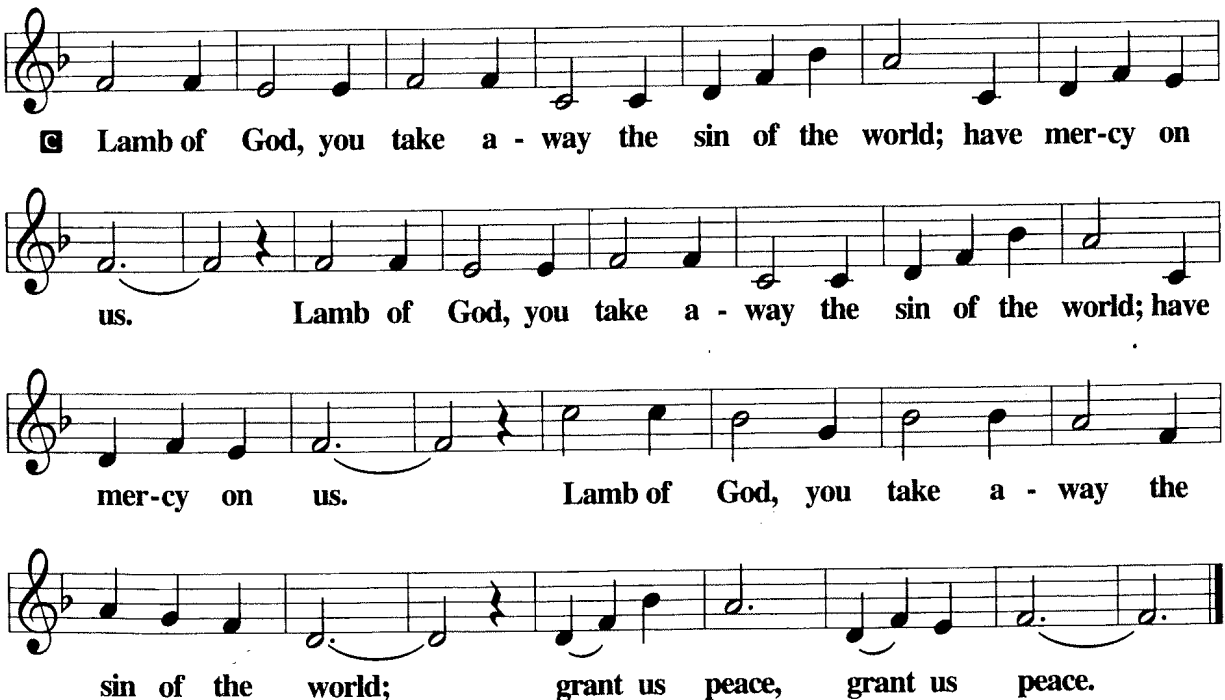
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

Invitation to Communion

P: The kingdom of God is set before you.
Eat and rejoice.

Lamb of God



☐ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

The Distribution

Instructions for those communing online/in their homes:

Please take a minute to wash your hands if you'll be touching the bread or cup and offering it to another person.

As you are offering bread to another, say these words: "The body of Christ, given for you."

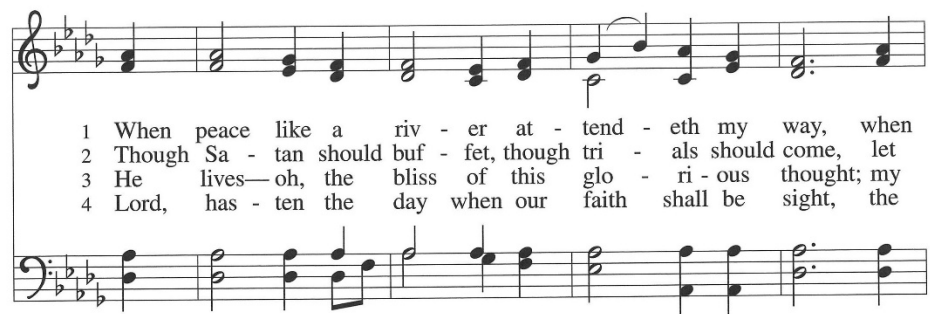
As you are offering the wine or grape juice, say these words: "The blood of Christ, shed for you."

Communion Hymns

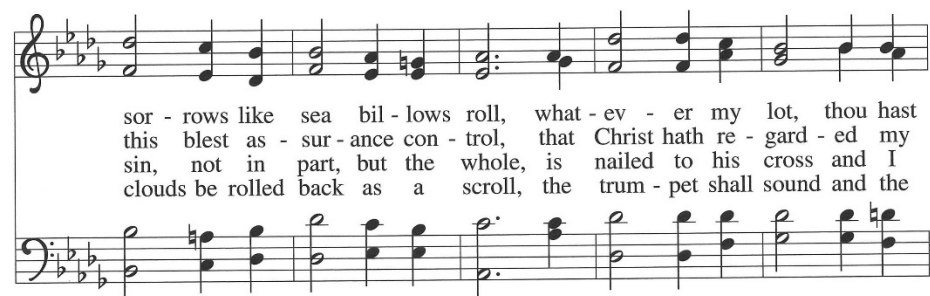
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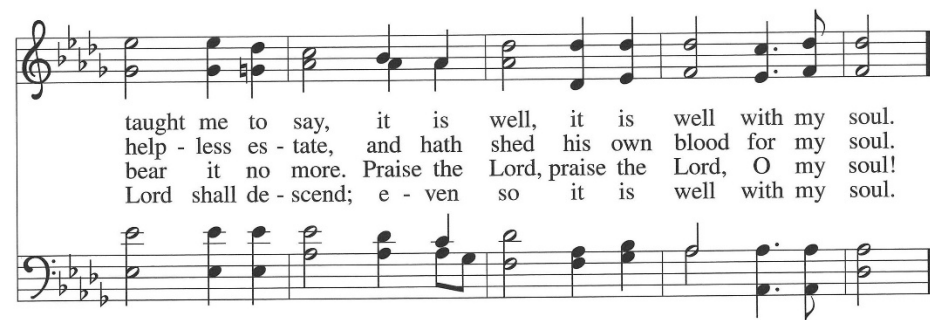
When Peace like a River It Is Well with My Soul



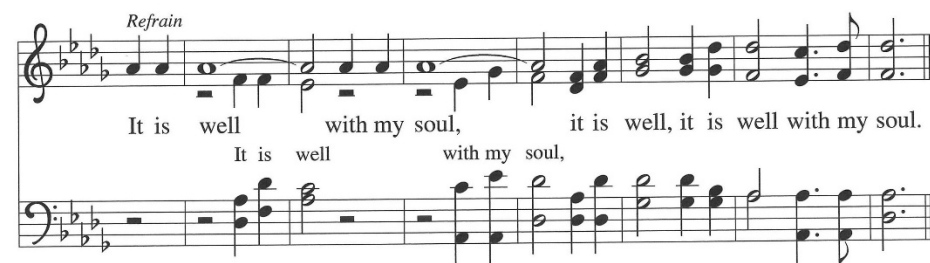
1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when
2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let
3 He lives—oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; my
4 Lord, has - ten the day when our faith shall be sight, the



sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast
this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my
sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I
clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trum - pet shall sound and the



taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.
help - less es - tate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.
bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
Lord shall de - scend; e - ven so it is well with my soul.



Refrain
It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.
It is well with my soul,

Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828–1888
Music: Philip P. Bliss, 1838–1876

VILLE DU HAVRE
118 119 and refrain

Deep peace of the run - ning waves, deep peace of the

flow - ing air, deep peace of the shin - ing stars to

you, deep peace of the qui - et earth. earth.

To repeat *Last time*

Text: Celtic traditional, adapt. Ray Makeever, b. 1943
 Music: Ray Makeever
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DEEP PEACE
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Please stand, as you are able.

The Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C: **Amen**

Closing Prayer:

A: God of field and flower, wheat and grape,
 you have nourished us with the bread of heaven
 that gives life to the world.
 Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son,

send us out to gather your good gifts for all who
hunger and thirst,
and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name.

C: Amen.

The Sending Blessing

P: The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you,
God the Son save you,
and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead.
The holy Trinity bless you ✚
and grant you a faithful and courageous heart
now and forever.

C: Amen.



Please stand, as you are able.

Sending Hymn

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May you run and not be weary

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef, 4/4 time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is accompanied by a series of chords indicated above the staff. The lyrics are written below the staff, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across measures. The score consists of seven lines of music, each with a corresponding line of lyrics.

May you run and not be wea - ry. May your
heart be filled with song. And may the
love of God con - tin - ue to
give you hope and keep you strong. And may you
run and not be wea - ry. May your
life be filled with joy. And may the
road you trav - el al - ways lead you home.

Text: Handt Hanson

Music: Handt Hanson; arr. Henry Wiens

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The Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Share the harvest.

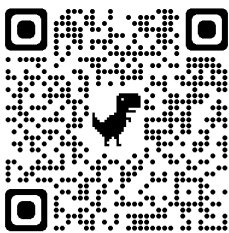
C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

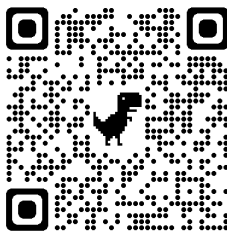
Thank you to our Worship Servers	
Assisting Minister	Jeanna Doversberger
Communion Assistant	Mary Wintermantel
Pianist	Mel Kubik
Lector	Dan Ogborn
Song Leader	Worship Team
Sunday School Teacher	Don Weaver
Greeters	Janet Jeffries, Nancy Mohr
Altar Care	Marie and Jerry Rothi
Sound	Marlena Adams
AV Technician	Anne Manicke
Altar Flowers	ZLCW

Last Week's Stats & Goals				
November 9, 2025	<u>Attendance</u> (Average)	<u>Income</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Over/Short</u>
This Week to Date	70	\$4,831	\$5,050	-\$219
This Month to Date	79	\$11,678	\$10,872	\$806
This Year to Date	76	\$238,932	\$233,922	\$5,010
Restricted Building Fund		\$100	Cumulative for 2025	\$13,807
To support our building fund---giving must be designated "Building Fund."				
<i>Thank you for your prayerfully considered gifts</i>				

For those interested in giving electronically, you can scan the QR Codes below



Special Giving



General Fund



Building Fund

Looking Ahead

You Can Also Find The Calendar at <https://zoarlutheran.org/calendar>

Date	Time	Activity
Sunday: 11/16	9:15 – 10:15 am 10:30 – 11:30 am 12: – 1 pm 12 - 1 12:30 – 1:30 pm	Adult Forum: Kindness Room Twenty Third Sunday of Pentecost Worship Service: Sanctuary Fellowship Time: Narthex Listening Season #1 Choir Rehearsal: Sanctuary
Monday: 11/17	1 – 3 pm	Pastor's Day Off Knotty Loopers (Knitting & Crochet): Patience Room
Tuesday: 11/18	5 – 6:00 pm 7 – 8 pm	Community Dinner: Narthex and Kitchen Grupo La Frontera (Spanish language AA): Kindness Room
Wednesday: 11/19	9 - 12:30 m 11 – 6 pm 7 – 8 pm 7:30 – 8:30 pm	Sewing Circle: Generosity Room Music Ministries: Sanctuary Grupo La Frontera (Spanish language AA): Kindness Room Technology Task Force: Zoom
Thursday: 11/20	OFF THIS WEEK 12 – 7:30 pm 7 – 8:30 pm	Bible Study with Pastor Michelle Music Ministries: Sanctuary Ladies Bible Study: Zoom
Friday: 11/21	9 – 10:30 am 7 – 8 pm	Breakfast and Social at Jarboe's Grupo La Frontera (Spanish language AA): Kindness Room
Saturday: 11/22	9: - 12 pm	Furniture Ministry: Outbuilding
Sunday: 11/23	9:15 – 10:15 am 10:30 – 11:30 am 12: – 1:30 pm 12:30 – 1:30 pm 1:30 – 2:30 pm	Adult Forum: Kindness Room Christ the King Worship Service: Sanctuary Confirmation Class: Kindness Room Choir Rehearsal: Sanctuary Ordinary Men Rehearsal: Sanctuary

Long-term Monthly Scheduled Activities:

First Tuesday of every month	6:30 - 7:30 pm	Evangelism Team Mtg. – Zoom
Monday prior to each Church Council Mtg.	7 - 8 pm	Property & Management - In person @ Zoar
Second Tuesday of every month	7 - 8:30 pm	Church Council Mtg. - Zoom
Second Thursday of every month	1 -2 pm	Youth & Education Mtg. – In person @ Zoar
Third Wednesday of every month	7:30-8:30 pm	Technology Task Force: Zoom
Fourth Tuesday of every month	7 - 8:30 pm	Executive Council Mtg. - Zoom
Last Friday of every month (3 rd Fri in Nov & Dec)	9 – 10:30 am	Breakfast Group: Jarboe's Grill in Canby

HISTORY

of the

ZOAR LADIES AID

Canby, Oregon

The Zoar Ladies Aid of Canby, Oregon, was organized in Sept. 1892, by Rev. O. R. Sletten. A congregation had just been organized, and the Aid was started to help support, both financially and socially. There was no resident Pastor, since Rev. Sletten lived in Silverton.

A chapel was built on an half acre of land donated by Mr. Hinderlie. This was used as a site for the Church and cemetery.

The charter members were Mrs. Even Hinderlie, Mrs. Ole Anderson, Mrs. Paul Sollie, Mrs. E. Franzien, Mrs. J. Ringness, and Misses Mary and Karen Sollie.

Mrs. Franzien was elected President. Meetings were held once a month with dues 15 cents per month. There were no refreshments served at that time.

The members sewed childrens garments and knitted stockings to be sold. Mr. Ringness and Mr. Sollie volunteered to sell the articles at the store in Canby, and from house to house. The proceeds paid for the church pews.

As new families moved into the community and joined the congregation, the chapel became too small, and a new church was built in 1904.

The Ladies, as usual, rose to the occasion and met oftener and worked harder to help defray the expenses.

In 1911, the Zion Ladies Aid of Barlow, merged with the Zoar Ladies Aid. Meetings were held once a month, and refreshments were served.

As years progressed, it was found advisable to have the Church in the City of Canby, so a fund was started to procure a lot. Money was raised thru Bazaars and Suppers. Soon a lot was bought, and in 1927, the present Church was built. The Ladies Aid donated \$225.00 towards the building expenses.

The ladies were very happy when the Church was dedicated Oct. 28, 1928.

Rev. O. G. Salvason came in 1932. Since then we have had services every Sunday, and the work of the Ladies Aid has been very progressive. They helped pay the Church debt, and added necessary improvements from time to time.

Nov. 1, 1919, the Womens Federation of the Oregon Circuit was organized and Zoar Ladies Aid was a charter member.

At the following dates the Zoar Ladies Aid has been host to the Oregon Circuit W. M. F. conventions. Nov. 5 and 6, 1920; Nov. 12, 1930; Nov. 2, 1932; April 16, 1937; and Oct. 5, 1938.

We have sponsored all the Projects recommended by the W. M. F.

Two of our charter members are still active in our aid. They are Mrs. J. Ringness Johnson, and Mrs. Mary Sollie Hvidding.

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