

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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DAY OF THANKSGIVING

October 9, 2022

Worship 11:00 AM

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Videographer: George Edis

Reader: Tom Kertes

Worship is live streamed on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/princerupertlutheran/>. You do not need a Facebook account to worship.

Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Every gathering for worship has elements of thanksgiving. When we are nourished with God's bounty in holy communion, when we partake of Jesus' word that gives life to the world, and even when two or three of us simply join our hearts in prayer to make our requests known to God, we do so "with thanksgiving." Let us give thanks to God, who is good and whose mercy endures forever.

Weekly Prayer Petitions

Local Parishes: Cathedral Church of St. Andrew, Anglican – Father Paul Williams

Synod Parishes: Dunbar Lutheran in Vancouver – Rev. Thomas Keeley, For our BC Synod Staff

ACC: The Rt. Rev. David Lehmann, Bishop and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Caledonia

ELCIC: The dean, council and congregations of the North Region of the British Columbia Synod

ACC/ELCIC: People and ministries working to address issues of poverty, homelessness and affordable housing.

Discipleship Opportunities

1. The Pastor will be public this coming Wednesday at Javadotcup from 9:30-11:30. You may join in person or by Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87222984486?pwd=OHFicWZySkR1dHNpekIqMzU4RlJWUT09>
Meeting ID: 872 2298 4486 Password: 263906

2. Join us in reading and reflecting on sacred stories centering the poor who seek healing, justice, and freedom. We gather every Thursday evening from 7:00-8:30 PM through Oct. 20th. *We Cry Justice* by Rev. Dr. Liz Theoharis is our text. Contact Tom Kertes at tomkertes@gmail.com or 778-884-5343 to RSVP for more info.
Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82937678079> Meeting ID: 829 3767 8079

3. *Movies that Matter*, a gathering where we host youth (grades 8-12) from the community to eat pizza and popcorn, watch a movie, and discuss the related moral issues, will take place the 2nd Friday of each month from 6:30-8:30. We begin by exploring the moral issues of war.

4. Today we give thanks for all that God has given us. In addition to your tithes and offerings, please bring gifts of non-perishable foods, spices, splurges, and hygiene items to share with our neighbors.

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Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who redeems us in Christ Jesus, whose steadfast love endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbors. We have ignored voices that call for your justice. We have neglected actions that witness to your righteousness. We have spoken and acted in ways that disrupt your beloved community. We truly repent of things we have done and left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Restore our troubled spirits, so that we may live in newness, follow the way of the Spirit, and build up the body of Christ. Amen.

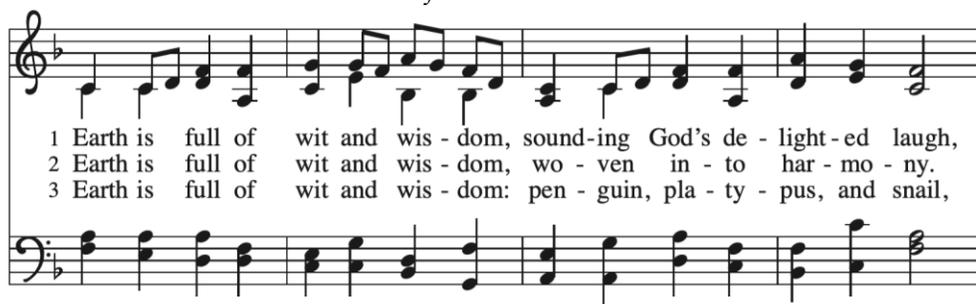
Rejoice and be glad! God hears the prayers of all who cry out, and restores us to life through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Therefore, I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn

Earth is Full of Wit and Wisdom

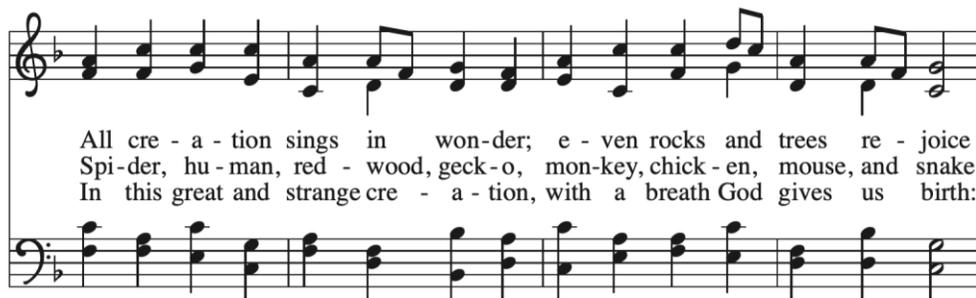
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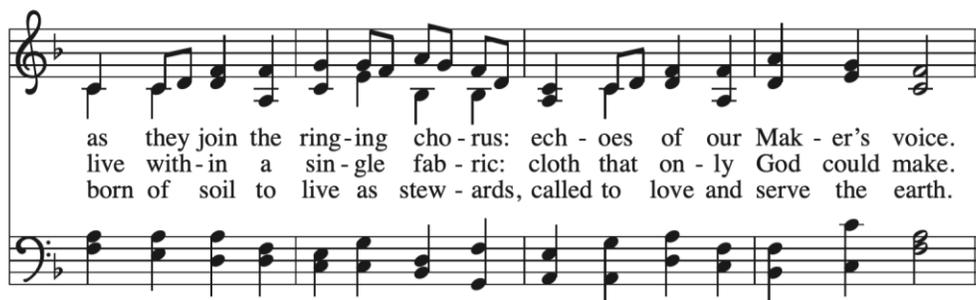
1 Earth is full of wit and wis - dom, sound - ing God's de - light - ed laugh,
2 Earth is full of wit and wis - dom, wo - ven in - to har - mo - ny.
3 Earth is full of wit and wis - dom: pen - guin, pla - ty - pus, and snail,



from the ti - ny ro - ly - po - ly to the tree - top - tall gi - raffe.
Ev - 'ry crea - ture has a pur - pose, ev - 'ry flow'r and bum - ble - bee.
cac - tus, sea slug, oak, and al - gae, from the mi - crobe to the whale.



All cre - a - tion sings in won - der; e - ven rocks and trees re - jice
Spi - der, hu - man, red - wood, geck - o, mon - key, chick - en, mouse, and snake
In this great and strange cre - a - tion, with a breath God gives us birth:



as they join the ring - ing cho - rus: ech - oes of our Mak - er's voice.
live with - in a sin - gle fab - ric: cloth that on - ly God could make.
born of soil to live as stew - ards, called to love and serve the earth.

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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

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

Hymn of Praise

ⓐ 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.

Ⓘ Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we

wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

ⓐ 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.

ⓓ Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the
right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

☐ 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.

☐ 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.

☐ 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.

L: Let us pray together our Prayer of the Day:

**Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

Our first reading is from Deuteronomy, beginning at the 26th chapter

26:1-11

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that

the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me." You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

We read Psalm 100 responsively: (*leader reads the light print, congregation reads the bold*)

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all you lands!

Serve the LORD with gladness; come into God's presence with a song.

**Know that the LORD is God, our maker to whom we belong;
we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.**

Enter the gates of the LORD with thanksgiving and the courts with praise;
give thanks and bless God's holy name.

**Good indeed is the LORD, whose steadfast love is everlasting,
whose faithfulness endures from age to age.**

Our second reading is from Philippians beginning at the 4th Chapter

4:4-9

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry 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.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

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The holy gospel according to John, beginning at the 6th chapter

6:24-35

Glory to you, O Lord.

So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Diana Edis

Hymn of the Day

We Sing to You, O God

No. 791 ELW (red)

1 We sing to you, O God, the Rock who gave us
 2 We wan - dered far from home out in a des - ert
 3 You bear us through the world, an ea - gle to its
 4 O God, e - ter - nal God, we hide with - in your

birth, let our re - joic - ing sing your name in
 land, you shield - ed with your love our fear - ful
 young; you rise up on your wings and bear us
 wings, the ev - er - last - ing arms to whom our

all the earth. To you, O God, let
 pil - grim band. You kept us safe with -
 toward the sun. We ride the vaults of
 prais - es ring. Your word is true, your

songs be raised, in joy - ful hymns, our feast of praise.
 in your arms and shel - tered us a - gainst the storm.
 light and air and trust in your un - fail - ing care.
 way is just, you are the God in whom we trust.

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**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
 God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,
 of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
 was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.
 For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
 On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;
 he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
 and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
 who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
 who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the
 forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.
 Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession: (petition response: L: Lord in your mercy,
C: receive our prayer.)

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

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 offering2stpauls@citywest.ca. You may also give through CanadaHelps to St. Paul's Lutheran, Prince Rupert.*

Offering Prayer

Let us pray, Blessed are you, Maker of all things. As you have entrusted us with all that you have created, now gather our gifts, nourish us with this sacrament, and send us to those who hunger and thirst, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

All people are invited to receive God's meal. If you wish to receive, this meal is for you. If you would like to learn more about communion please speak with the pastor. Off-site may prepare bread and wine or juice for your worship space. When the bread and beverage are offered by the pastor and you eat and drink you may respond, "Amen." Those worshipping off-site in the same household are encouraged to serve one another.

Communion

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

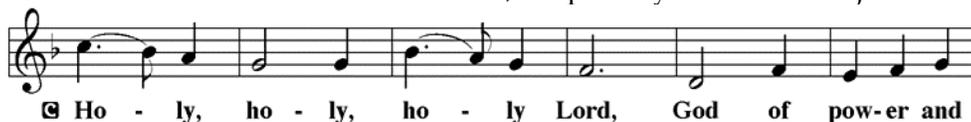
L: Lift up your hearts.

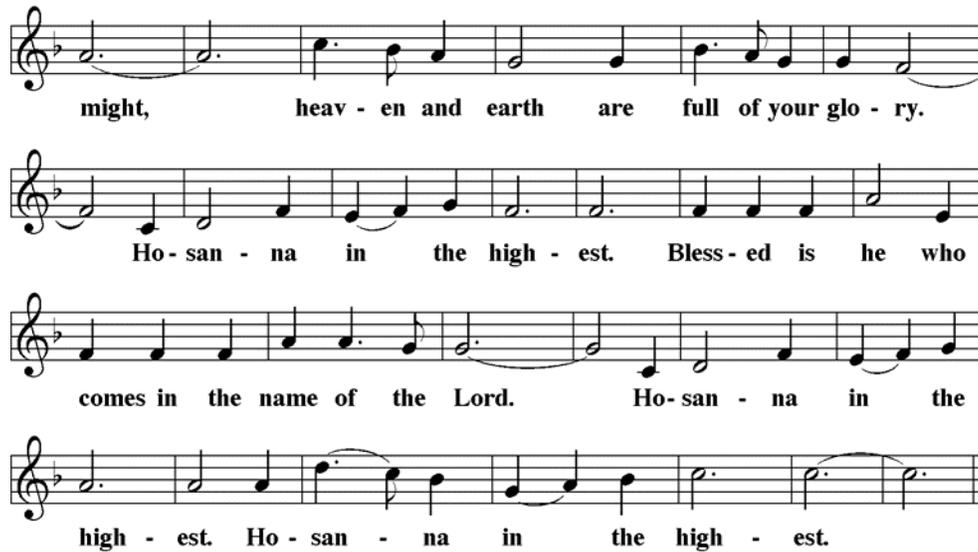
C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

L: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





L: Blessed are you, O God, creator of heaven and earth. You rescued your covenant people, led them on all their journeys, and taught them by the prophets. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

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.

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.

Pour out your Holy Spirit in this meal, and make us one in this community of faith and with your people throughout the world. Glory and praise to you, O God, Author of life, Word made flesh, Power of the Most High, now and forever.

Amen.

L: Gathered into one across time and space by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us, using whatever version of that prayer comforts you. We pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

L: If the Holy Spirit calls you to this feast of bread and wine or juice, I invite you to receive that which has been prepared, each in our own places, but gathered together around the table of God. Although we are separated at this time by physical and social distancing, we are united, made whole in the body of our Lord. Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.

Hymns during Communion

Nos. 469, 638, 689 (ELW)

Communion

L: This is the body of Christ, given for you. **Amen**

L: This is the blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen**

The body and blood of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus the Christ, strengthen you to everlasting life.

C: Amen

Prayer after Communion

We give you thanks, most gracious God, that you have fed us with the bread of heaven and given us a foretaste of Paradise. Enliven us to be your body in the world and to serve those who are in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Blessing

The God of peace, who creates all things and calls them good, who makes us alive in Jesus, and who breathes on us the Spirit of hope, † bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Hymn

Lord Jesus, You Shall be My Song

No. 808 ELW (red)



1 *Jé - sus, je vou - drais te chan - ter sur ma rou - te;*
1 Lord Je - sus, you shall be my song as I jour - ney;
2 Lord Je - sus, I'll praise you as long as I jour - ney.
3 As long as I live, Je - sus, make me your ser - vant,
4 I fear in the dark and the doubt of my jour - ney;



Jé - sus, je vou - drais t'an-non-cer à mes voi - sins par - tout,
I'll tell ev - 'ry - bod - y a - bout you wher - ev - er I go:
May all of my joy be a faith - ful re - flec - tion of you.
to car - ry your cross and to share all your bur - dens and tears.
but cour - age will come with the sound of your steps by my side.



car toi seul es la vie et la paix et l'a - mour:
you a - lone are our life and our peace and our love.
May the earth and the sea and the sky join my song.
For you saved me by giv - ing your bod - y and blood.
And with all of the fam - 'ly you saved by your love,



Jé - sus, je vou - drais te chan - ter sur ma rou - te.
Lord Je - sus, you shall be my song as I jour - ney.
Lord Je - sus, I'll praise you as long as I jour - ney.
As long as I live, Je - sus, make me your ser - vant.
we'll sing to your dawn at the end of our jour - ney.

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Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

Thanks be to God.