Welcome to Worship!

Divine Service - Setting 1
Last Sunday of the Church Year
November 21 & 22, 2026

Announcements

Greeting

Bells

Opening Hymn #525 Crown Him with Many Crowns

Confession *(p. 151)*

Absolution

Kyrie *(p. 152)*

Gloria *(p. 154)*

Prayer of the Day *(p. 156)*

Old Testament Reading Ezekiel 34:11–16, 20–24

Psalmody *(Sunday)* Psalm 95:1–7

Epistle Reading 1 Corinthians 15:20–28

Alleluia and Verse *(p. 156)*

Gospel Reading Matthew 25:31–46

Hymn of the Day #534 Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor

Message "Everything Back in Place"

Nicene Creed

Offering

Voluntary *(Sunday)* "Blessed Are They That Consider the Poor" *G.F. Handel*

Blessed are they that considereth the poor and needy:
the Lord will deliver them in time of trouble,
the Lord preserve them and comfort them.

The charitable shall be had in everlasting remembrance
and the good will shine as the brightness of the firmament.

Offertory *(p. 159)*

Prayers

Service of the Sacrament *(p. 160-164)*

Distribution Hymns

#629 – What Is This Bread
#680 – Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise

Post-Communion Collect

Blessing

Sending Hymn #940 Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

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Tour of the Church

If you'd like to tour the church sanctuary and hear about our congregation's history, meet under the pulpit after the 9:30 a.m. service. A volunteer guide will greet you there.

Worship Notes

Today's choir anthem, "Blessed Are They That Consider(eth) the Poor," was written to raise funds for London's Foundling Hospital. Established in 1739 to care for orphaned and abandoned children amid widespread urban poverty, the hospital received nearly 15,000 surrendered babies during a four-year open-admissions period. In 1749, George Frideric Handel led a benefit concert to help fund the hospital's chapel, featuring selections from his oratorio "Solomon;" premiering today's anthem, and closing with the not-yet-famous "Hallelujah Chorus."

Although Handel compiled these scripture texts to honor the charity's earthly benefactors, the anthem speaks powerfully alongside today's Gospel reading from Matthew 25. Here, Jesus separates the righteous sheep from the unrighteous goats. Moved by faith and thanksgiving toward God, the sheep served their vulnerable neighbors—acts of mercy that stand as the fruit of their saving faith. Thus, Christ calls them "blessed" and welcomes them into the inheritance of His Kingdom, where the charitable "shall be had in everlasting remembrance."

Serving in Our Worship Today

Worship Leaders
Pastor Joel Eden
Pastor Eddie Krez

Organists
Donna Haubenstricker *(Saturday)*
Myles Hayden *(Sunday)*

Service Coordinators
Ryan & Lisa Laux *(Saturday)*
Pete Bender *(Sunday)*

Mixed Choir *(Sunday)* – Myles Hayden, director

Media – Troy Zehnder, Tony Grasel, Leo Daenzer, Josh Haubenstricker, Alan Maurer

Greeters
(8:00) Ben & Rose Lucio, Karyn Crabtree
(9:30) Dave & Cathy Bekemeier, Dale & Nancy Bartlett, Bill & Ranelle and Adyson Danielson

Church Tour Guide *(9:30)* – Dan Haubenstricker

Communion Assistants
(6:30) Charridan Wascher, Marty Zehnder
(8:00) Dave Palmreuter, Jim Bender, Ryan Bender, Ken Janson
(9:30) Dan Felten, Ben Lucio, Paul Gusé, Dave Bekemeier, Mike Zeddies

Ushers
(6:30) Gene Deuring, Wayne Bickel, Nick Deuring, Jason, Carter, and Collin Hecht, Tony Schultz
(8:00) Randy & Cindy Hegenauer, Randy Braeutigam, Dianne Carr, Daren Kaschinske, Kevin Lentner, Mark Nuechterlein
(9:30) Adam & Kalie Auernhamer, Jeff & Beth Heikkinen and family, Phil & Lisa Kerns and family