

Sunday's Worship Service

October 11, 2026 – 10:30am
20th Sunday after Pentecost
Happy Thanksgiving!

Sunday School during the Service
Coffee in the Peace Chapel before the Service

The service is broadcast live on the Messiah YouTube page; posted for later viewing.

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Prayers for Healing and On-Going Health Concerns:

We pray for comfort and healing for all those who are suffering in body, mind or spirit; give them courage and hope in their time of need.



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Thanksgiving Service

Contributions of garden produce, plants and flowers are welcome to decorate the Messiah Sanctuary. Items can be brought to the Sunday service on **October 11**, or contact the office (306.764.7374). Please bring a memento or story to the Thanksgiving Service that caused you to say: 'Thank you, God'.

You will be invited to share your memory during the Service if you wish.

Upcoming Dates to Note!



- **Bible Studies** (in the Peace Chapel and via zoom)
 - **Lectionary Weekly Bible Study** (Wednesday) @ 7pm
 - **Bible Study** (third Tuesday of each month) @ 7pm
- **Confirmation sessions following Sunday's Worship Service** (1st and 3rd Sundays each month - next October 18)
- **Coffee & Conversation** (1st and 3rd Thursdays each month) @ 10am in the Peace Chapel

Caring Ministry & Community Service

Care Home Services (monthly from September to June):

- **Good Shepherd Villa** (second Tuesday @ 3pm; October cancelled)
- **Mont. St. Joseph** (second Wednesday @ 3:30pm; October cancelled)
- **Pineview Terrace** (fourth Wednesday @ 10:30am; October 28)

Food Bank: donations collected weekly

Community Donations: various organizations such as the YWCA, Relative's Lodge PAGC, Salvation Army, John Howard Society distribute and support those who can use some help. Drop off blankets, hygiene items, towels, jackets, socks, shoes, underwear, and other gently used clothing in the boxes in the Narthex.

We'll make sure it get delivered to one of these organizations.

Across the Saskatchewan Synod and beyond ...

Upcoming Events & Anniversaries Contact the ministry organization for details or check the Synod Messenger published on the 15th and 30th of each month (contact the Messiah Office).	• World Food Day Worship Service with Inshallah Singing Community; Setting the Table for Peace [Friday, October 16, at 7pmET (5pm SK).] Learn more or sign up for the livestream at untilallarefed.ca/join-us • Installation of - Rev. Victoria Mwamasika, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Regina (Sunday, October 18, 3pm) - Rev. Brenda Nestegaard Paul, Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, Lumsden (Sunday, October 25, 2pm) • Lutheran & Anglican Women's Retreat 'Orienting Ourselves Towards God' (October 31, 9:30am-4:30pm; Redeemer Lutheran Church, 812 Preston Ave., Saskatoon; \$30.00 and bring a bag lunch.) For more information or to register contact Bev Otsuka (306) 227-9102 bevotsuka@gmail.com • Luther Tower Tenants' Association Fall Fundraising Bazaar (November 7; 11am – 2pm; Tower Dining Room, 1223 Temperance Street)
 LUTHERCARE COMMUNITIES 70 YEARS PROVIDING EXCELLENCE IN CARE, SHELTER AND SUPPORT SINCE 1955	The LutherCare Foundation invites you to join us on Tuesday, October 21, for a supper to celebrate the 70th anniversary of LutherCare Communities. The dinner will be held at the Elim Church Atrium in Saskatoon starting with a reception at 5:45pm followed by dinner at 6:30pm. The evening will be a celebration of our past and a chance to hear about our plans moving forward. Tickets are on sale now for \$100 (with a \$55 tax receipt). Seating is limited. For tickets or more information, email foundation@luthercare.com or call (306) 649-6364.
	As the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada celebrates 40 years in 2026, members and congregations from across the church are invited to come together for a special National Worship Service on Sunday, October 25. Led by National Bishop Larry Kochendorfer, the service will be livestreamed from Camp Kinasao at Christopher Lake, Saskatchewan, where youth from across the Saskatchewan Synod will gather for a weekend retreat. Messiah is waiting for details regarding the service time and would like to broadcast the service – arrangements to be shared when available.
Missed the September Conversations Across the Church? Watch the Recording 	The recording of our September 13 Conversations Across The Church event held on September 13 is now available! Our focus was on Season of Creation - a time to come together in prayer and action. Dr. Mary Philip (Joy), Rev. Tim Wray, Eva Wray and Korpo Saily joined us to share caring for creation is a priority for our church. If you missed the conversation, or would like to revisit it, watch the recording by going to the ELCIC.ca website - Conversations Across the Church - September 13, 2026 The next Conversations Across the Church event will take place on Sunday, November 29, 2026. Visit our website to register.

Worship for Sunday, October 11, 2026: 20th Sunday after Pentecost; Thanksgiving Service

Worship Leader: Pastor John Mayer Dut

GATHERING & WELCOME

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Introduction: *At harvest time we join the psalmist in offering thanksgiving to God: "You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths overflow with plenty." We are grateful for the abundance of the good things of God's creation. Paul reminds us that our thanksgiving overflows into generosity. As the body of Christ in the world, we give ourselves away as bread for the hungry.*

October 16 is World Food Day. *On this Thanksgiving Day, we remember:*

- *That nearly one third of the world's population (about 2.7 billion people) can't afford healthy food.*
- *That conflict is one of the main reasons that people can't access enough food. Around 70% of food-insecure people live in countries affected by conflict.*
- *That climate change causes more unpredictable and intense weather which makes it harder for farmers to grow enough food to support their families.*

Today, we will pray for a time when everyone around the world has enough to eat.

GATHERING SONG: ACS#1062 'Build A Longer Table' (vs 1,2)

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

Let us pray. **God of the harvest, God of abundance. You bless the earth and make it fruitful, yet many live in scarcity. You gift us with knowledge and ability to grow food, yet we hoard these riches. Inspire us to be protectors of the earth, defenders of the poor, and sowers of justice and peace. Inspire us to take action, both big and small, to combat hunger and need in our communities and in the world. Inspire us through our stumbling generosity and simple actions to help prepare a feast for all people that nourishes justice and peace for all. Inspire us and lead us forward by your grace to be hope and light in the world. We pray in your lifegiving name. Amen.**

Children's Time – 'Saying Thanks'

Concluding Hymn: ELW#693 'Come, Ye Thankful People, Come'

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 8:7-18

Times of abundance tempt us to forget God and rely on our own power and resources. But God is the one who took Israel out of Egypt, led and fed them in the wilderness, brought them into the land, and gave them power to be productive. To thank this God is to remember and proclaim God's deeds.

⁷ "The Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, ⁸ a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and

pomegranates, a land of olive oil and honey, ⁹ a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. ¹⁰ You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you. ¹¹ “Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes that I am commanding you today. ¹² When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them ¹³ and when your herds and flocks have multiplied and your silver and gold is multiplied and all that you have is multiplied, ¹⁴ then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, ¹⁵ who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock. ¹⁶ He fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you and in the end to do you good. ¹⁷ Do not say to yourself, ‘My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth.’ ¹⁸ But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.”

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 65:1-13

- ¹ You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; to you shall vows be fulfilled.
- ² **To you, the one who answers prayer, to you all flesh shall come.**
- ³ Our sins are stronger than we are, but you blot out our transgressions.
- ⁴ **Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there! They will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, by the holiness of your temple.**
- ⁵ Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation, O hope of all the ends of the earth and of the oceans far away.
- ⁶ **You make firm the mountains by your power; you are girded about with might.**
- ⁷ You still the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, and the clamor of the peoples.
- ⁸ **Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous signs; you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.**
- ⁹ You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous; the river of God is full of water. You prepare the grain, for so you provide for the earth.
- ¹⁰ **You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.**
- ¹¹ You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths overflow with plenty.
- ¹² **May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, and the hills be clothed with joy.**
- ¹³ May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; let them shout for joy and sing.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Christian fellowship involves sharing with those in need. Here Paul is gathering a collection for the church in Jerusalem from all the Gentile churches he helped found. We can be extravagant in our giving because God is extravagant in providing for our lives.

- ⁶ The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷ Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not regretfully or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.
- ⁹ As it is written, “He scatters abroad; he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.” ¹⁰ He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹ You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will

produce thanksgiving to God through us, ¹² for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. ¹³ Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your partnership with them and with all others, ¹⁴ while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. ¹⁵ Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!
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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: WOV#612 'Halle, Halle, Hallelujah'

GOSPEL: Luke 17:11-19

The holy gospel according to Luke, the 17th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine?" ¹⁸ Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

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

SERMON: Pastor John Mayer Dut

HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW#879 'For the Beauty of the Earth'

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

United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

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We give thanks for your tender care. Accompany all who travel; comfort all for whom this is a lonely season and assure all weary hearts and bodies of your healing love. We pray especially for ... **Nyachan, Nynkuer, Lyla, Corrine, Olga, Wayne, Ken, Daryl, Myla, Dick, Treasa, Diana, Leon, Sheila, Wayne, Stanley, Rose, Rose, Sheila, Sharon, Jean, Audrey,** and all those we name aloud or in our heart.
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...

Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.
Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER: Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to 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.

PEACE: The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.** *We share a sign of Peace.*

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING HYMN: ELW#694 'Sing to the Lord of Harvest'

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. **Almighty God, 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 Saviour and Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING & BENEDICTION:

✙ May the Lord of all creation shower blessings and favor upon you. *(sung)* **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

SENDING SONG: ELW#881 'Let All Things Now Living'

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace. **Thanks be to God!**

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