

Our Community

LOOKING AHEAD: November 27 – December 3

Wed. 29	10:30 am	Sunday Bulletin Announcement Deadline
	7:00 pm	Church Council Mtg. – The Parlour
Thurs. 30	7:00 pm	Choir Practice – Sanctuary
Fri. 1	9:00 am	Scrapbooking & Crafts – Choir Room
Sun. 3	8:30 am	Advent 1 – Holy Communion – Sanctuary
	10:00 am	Advent 1 – Holy Communion – Sanctuary Sunday School



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Church Office Hours
Wednesday – Friday
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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Sunday, November 26, 2017

WELCOME

We welcome you to our worship today.

Hymnbooks:

Our community uses two hymnbooks.

(ELW) Evangelical Lutheran Worship has a cranberry cover.

(CP) Common Praise has a blue cover.

You will find either **(ELW)** or **(CP)** beside each hymn number to indicate which book we are singing from.

Communion: All are welcome.

We make available grape juice and gluten free bread. Please inform one of the Communion Servers that you wish to have one or both of these elements during the distribution of Communion.

No Scents Makes Good Sense. Members have indicated that they suffer discomfort from perfumes, hair spray, colognes and after-shave lotion. Please help us provide a scent-free environment

We welcome all children to our worship. We also have a child friendly space in the fellowship area at the back of the church. Drink boxes, activity bags and youth bulletins are in a basket near the entrance to the church. Please help yourself.

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

GATHERING

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

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Acknowledgement of Territory

Gathering Song – # **855** ELW

Call to Worship

Make a joyful noise to the Lord.

Worship God with gladness.

Come into God's presence with singing.

We are God's people, the sheep of God's pasture.

Give thanks to the Lord; bless God's holy name,
for God's steadfast love is present now and endures forever.

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

O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service, and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Children's Message

WORD

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

First Reading – Ezekiel 34: 11 – 16, 20 – 24

A reading from Ezekiel.

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick

darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land.

I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God.

I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 95: 1 – 7a



Psalm 95:7
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- ¹Come, let us sing | to the Lord;
let us shout for joy to the rock of | our salvation.
- ²**Let us come before God's presence | with
thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to the | Lord with
psalms.**
- ³For you, Lord, | are a great God,
and a great ruler a- | bove all gods.
- ⁴**In your hand are the caverns | of the earth;
the heights of the hills are | also yours. R**
- ⁵The sea is yours, | for you made it,
and your hands have molded | the dry land.
- ⁶**Come, let us worship | and bow down,
let us kneel before the | Lord our maker.**
- ^{7a}For the Lord | is our God,
and we are the people of God's pasture and the
sheep | of God's hand. **R**

Psalm Prayer

Second Reading – Ephesians 1: 15 – 23

A reading from Ephesians.

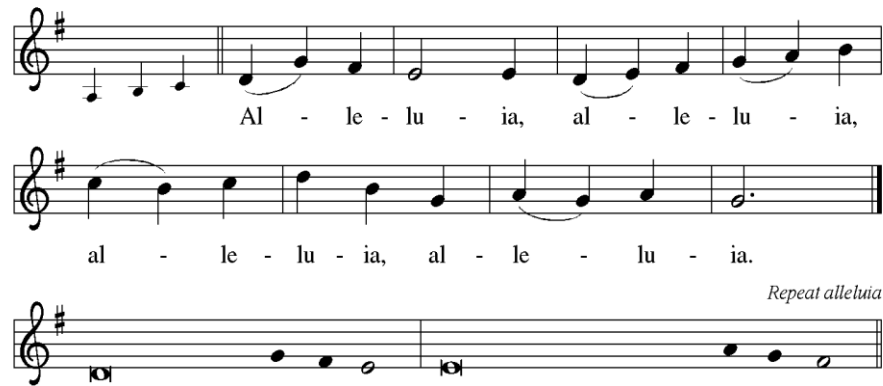
I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power.

God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



Blessed is the one who comes in the name | of the Lord.* Blessed is the coming kingdom of our an- | cestor David.

Gospel Reading – *Matthew 25: 31 – 46*

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

or

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left.

Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the

foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink?

And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family you did it to me.’ Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’

Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?’ Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ And these will go

away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

or

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day – # 431 ELW

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

Welcoming God's reign of righteousness and mercy, let us pray with people of every time and place.

Almighty God, your merciful rule encompasses all the world. As we gather for worship in safety, we pray for places where the church is persecuted. Watch over your people as they witness to your good news. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Give bountiful pastures, safety, and health to herds, livestock, and all animals. May our care for all of your creation reflect your shepherding love for all that you have made. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for international organizations that shine your light in places of strife. Lead relief and aid workers, leaders and volunteers to seek the lost and provide safety. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Bind up the injured and strengthen the weak, abused, or ill (*especially*). Give wisdom to

counselors, doctors, nurses, and all in professions that provide healing. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Shepherd your churches to welcome the stranger and immigrant in our midst. Call all your people to welcome, clothe, feed, and visit those in need just as you have provided for the lost and despairing throughout the ages. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Give us the hope to which you call us, our glorious inheritance with all your saints. Enrich our lives with the faith and vision of those saints who have died. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Receive these prayers and the hopes and concerns of our hearts, O God, as we entrust into your loving care all for whom we pray, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Peace

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

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering / Choir Anthem

— Lord Lift Me Up by Mary McDonald

Offering Hymn – **The Earth does not belong to us**

**1. The earth does not belong to us,
But we belong to earth.**

**This radiant Sphere of green and blue,
our home and place of birth.**

**2. The web of Life connects us all,
Each strand its vital role,
For what affects a single one,
Affects the living Whole.**

Offering Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

Preface

Holy, Holy, 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

The Lord's Prayer

David Haas 1986

Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, Hal - low - ed be your

name, your king - dom come, your will be done on earth as in hea - ven.

Give us to - day our dai - bread, for - give us our

sin, as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.

Save us from the time of trial, and de - liv - er us from

e vil, for the king dom, the pow'r, and the glo ry are yours, now and for ev - er.

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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.

Communion Hymns

379 CP, # 491 CP, # 383 CP, # 336 CP

Table Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Blessing

**The blessing of the God of life be ours.
The blessing of the loving Christ be ours.
The blessing of the Holy Spirit be ours to cherish us, to help us, to make us holy.**

Benediction

Sending Song - # 435 ELW

Dismissal

Go in peace...

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Announcements and Information

Greeters: Klaus & Margitta Kessler

The flowers in the Chancel area are given by Andrew Usjak to the Glory of God and in memory of Usjak family parents and grandparents who rest in eternal peace.

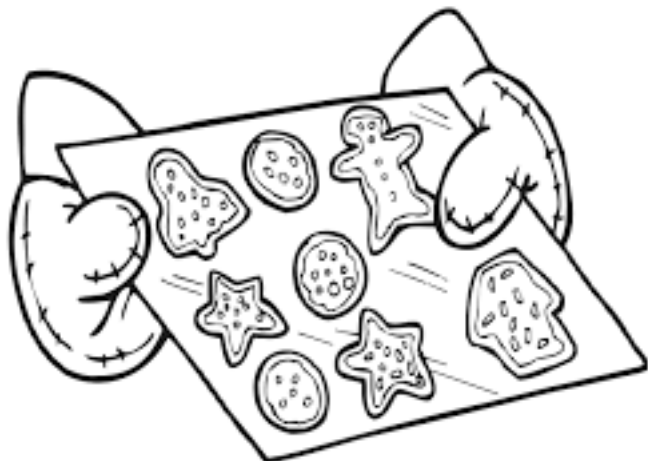
Chalmers Community Services Gift Bag Campaign is underway. It is so easy to make a huge difference in the life of someone by just filling a bag with exactly what is on the list. No need to wrap anything or label the bags. Please pick up a bag and list from the table in the narthex, and bring your filled bag back to church by Sunday, December 3rd. If you have any questions please see Robin Smart. Thank you.

We are planning a **Communion service for our shut-ins** on Wednesday, December 6th at 11:30 a.m. followed by lunch. We are seeking volunteer drivers & help with the lunch. If you can help please talk to Pearl Robinson.

Please take note of **The Mary Guse Giving Tree**. The tree is filled with clothespins holding coloured paper. On each paper there is an item for a baby, a child, a teen, adult and the name of the organization making the request. Please take one or two papers, purchase the requested gift. Attach the paper to the **unwrapped** gift and place it under the tree by December 3rd.



All Saints Christmas Cookie Walk: December 9th from 9:30 a.m. until noon or sold out. We need Christmas cookies (not chocolate chip or store bought) and volunteers for set up and selling. Sign up in the Narthex for cookies and volunteering. If you have any questions please speak to Penny Richards, Sue Wakefield or Dianne Steinke. Proceeds to go to our Silvercreek Community Market.



Reformation Challenge: See the “Join the Reformation Challenge” brochure which you received with your bulletin this morning to find out how you can help commemorate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church is committed to supporting the challenge to plant 500,000 trees, with a contribution of \$500 designated by church council. The congregation is challenged to match this amount (or even exceed it!). Please mark any contributions on your offering envelopes by indicating “Trees” on the ‘Other’ line.



Poinsettias: This year, we are again able to offer the congregation the opportunity to purchase poinsettias either for yourself or to help decorate the church for Advent and Christmas. The plants are locally grown by Warren Nurseries and those purchasing these plants in previous years have been very pleased with the quality. The purchase of the poinsettias supports Anselma House in Kitchener, through the efforts of the St. Stephen chapter of FaithLife Financial. Available in Red, White and Pink, in the following sizes and prices. Please see the chart at the back of the church or speak to Kathryn Smith for more information. Delivery will be the week of November 26th.

4.5"	6"	8"	10"
\$6.00	\$10.50	\$22.50	\$30.00



Invitation: St. Joseph's Parish at 409 Paisley Road, Guelph, extends an invitation to the women of our congregation to join with them for their Christmas potluck dinner. As their guests, we are told that it is not necessary for the ladies to bring any food. It will be held on Tuesday, December 12th. They will have mass at 6pm and the potluck dinner will follow in the Parish Hall downstairs. The ladies are welcome to join for mass, or if they would prefer, just to come to the dinner downstairs.

Please phone Elaine Maguire at 519-658-0509 ASAP if you plan to attend.

All Saints Special Congregation / Vestry Meeting will be held on Sunday, December 3, 2017 following the 10:00 a.m. worship service with a potluck sandwich lunch. The agenda items include:

- Approving the 2018 budget
- Election of two lay delegates for the Anglican Synods for 2018
- Election of a lay delegate to the 2018 Lutheran Eastern Synod Assembly

The 2018 budget will be available for pick up today after the 10:00 a.m. worship service

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