

*Live Like You'll Live
Forever[†]*

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2024

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2024

Pilgrim Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

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Worship services - Wednesday 6:30pm, Sunday 8:00 and 10:30am

Live a Life of Startling Generosity

Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.” We know that keeping little children occupied for an entire church service can be a challenge. Don’t worry; most of those worshipping around you have been in your shoes at one time. If you feel that you need to take your child out of church at any time, we have a Children’s Room to the right as you exit the worship area. The first parking space in front of church is designated for **expectant mothers and families with small children**.

Restrooms are located to your left as you exit the worship area. There are **changing tables in both restrooms**.

LARGE PRINT copies of worship materials are available from the ushers. If you have any questions or need assistance, please feel free to ask an usher.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Presiding Minister
Preacher
Organist
Instrumentalists

Seminarian Peter Kim
Pastor Collin Vanderhoof
David Porth
Allie Bauer, Liana Garza, Ethan Klein,
Bill Lambrecht, Elise Mayer, Keagan Mayer

Service of the Word

Take My Life and Let It Be

CW 695



- 1 Take my life and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly for my King;
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with-hold;



- take my mo - ments and my days, let them flow in cease - less praise.
take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

- 5 Take my will and make it thine,
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart, it is thine own,
it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

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Stand

Invocation

The grace of our Lord Jesus † Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

And also with you.

Confession of Sins

We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

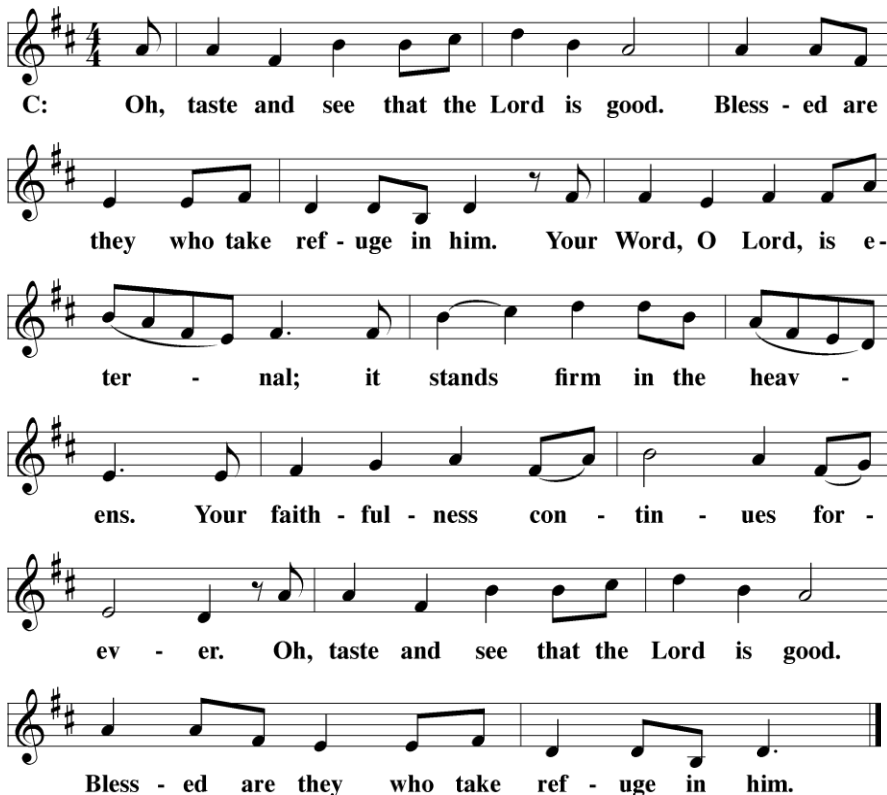
Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

Amen.

Prayer and Praise

In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are
they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -
ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -
ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -
ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray

Almighty and ever-living God, you have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in you. Grant us so firmly to believe in your Son Jesus that our faith may never be found wanting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Be seated

Preschool Anthem, 10:30am

Jesus Loves Me

The Word

First Reading

1 Kings 17:8–16

⁸Then the word of the LORD came to him: ⁹“Go at once to Zarephath in the region of Sidon and stay there. I have directed a widow there to supply you with food.” ¹⁰So he went to Zarephath. When he came to the town gate, a widow was there gathering sticks. He called to her and asked, “Would you bring me a little water in a jar so I may have a drink?” ¹¹As she was going to get it, he called, “And bring me, please, a piece of bread.”

¹²“As surely as the LORD your God lives,” she replied, “I don’t have any bread—only a handful of flour in a jar and a little olive oil in a jug. I am gathering a few sticks to take home and make a meal for myself and my son, that we may eat it—and die.”

¹³Elijah said to her, “Don’t be afraid. Go home and do as you have said. But first make a small loaf of bread for me from what you have and bring it to me, and then make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: ‘The jar of flour will not be used up and the jug of oil will not run dry until the day the LORD sends rain on the land.’”

¹⁵She went away and did as Elijah had told her. So there was food every day for Elijah and for the woman and her family. ¹⁶For the jar of flour was not used up and the jug of oil did not run dry, in keeping with the word of the LORD spoken by Elijah.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

I Will Give Thanks to the Lord

Psalm 111B

10:30am, The Preschool will introduce the refrain. The verses are spoken responsively.

Refrain

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Hal - le -
*Sing it o-ver.
lu - jah! Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord! Hal - le - lu - jah! Praise the Lord!

Great are the works / of the LORD;
they are pondered by all who de- / light in them.
Glorious and majestic / are his deeds,
and his righteousness endures for- / ever. Refrain

He has caused his wonders to be re- / membered;
the LORD is gracious and com- / passionate.
He provided redemption for his / people;
holy and awesome / is his name.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. Refrain

Text: Book of Common Prayer, 1979

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 8:1–9

¹And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. ²In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. ³For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, ⁴they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the Lord's people. ⁵And they exceeded our expectations: They gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us. ⁶So we urged Titus, just as he had earlier made a beginning, to bring also to completion this act of grace on your part. ⁷But since you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you—see that you also excel in this grace of giving.

⁸I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. ⁹For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

The Word of the Lord.

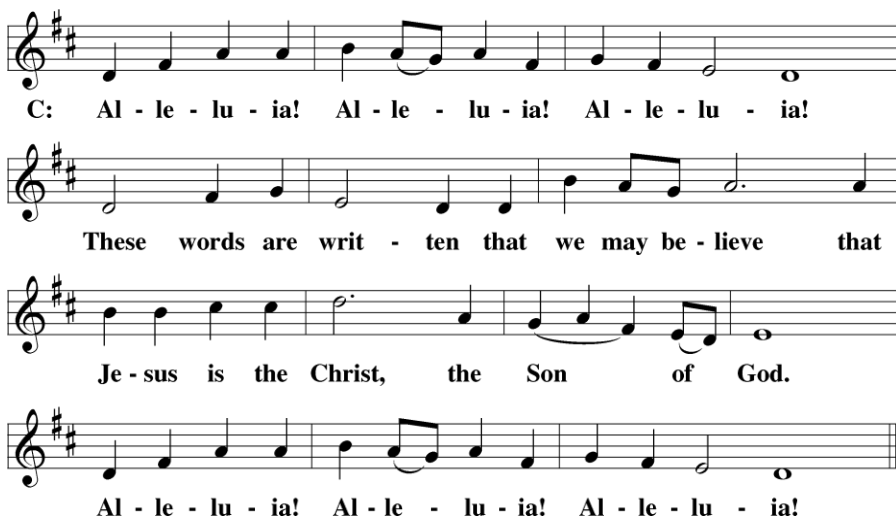
Thanks be to God.

Stand

Verse of the Day

2 Corinthians 9:11

Alleluia. You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion. Alleluia.



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Gospel Reading

Mark 12:38–44

³⁸As he taught, Jesus said, “Watch out for the teachers of the law. They like to walk around in flowing robes and be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, ³⁹and have the most important seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at banquets.

⁴⁰They devour widows’ houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. These men will be punished most severely.”

⁴¹Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. ⁴²But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents.

⁴³Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. ⁴⁴They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on.”

The Gospel of the Lord.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

All Depends on Our Possessing

CW 807



1 All de - pends on our pos - sess - ing God's a - bun - dant
2 He who to this day has fed me and to man - y
3 Man - y spend their lives in fret - ting o - ver tri - fles
4 When with sor - row I am strick - en, hope a - new my



grace and bless - ing, though all earth - ly wealth de - part.
joys has led me is and ev - er shall be mine.
and in get - ting things that have no sol - id ground.
heart will quick - en; all my long - ing shall be stilled.



They who trust with faith un - shak - en in their God are
He who ev - er gent - ly schools me, he who dai - ly
I shall strive to win a trea - sure that will bring me
To his lov - ing - kind - ness ten - der soul and bod - y



not for - sak - en and will keep a daunt - less heart.
guides and rules me, will re - main my help di - vine.
last - ing plea - sure and that now is sel - dom found.
I sur - ren - der, for on God a - lone I build.

- 5 Well he knows what best to grant me;
all the longing hopes that haunt me,
joy and sorrow, have their day.
I shall doubt his wisdom never;
as God wills, so be it ever;
I commit to him my way.
- 6 If my days on earth he lengthen,
he my weary soul will strengthen;
all my trust in him I place.
Earthly wealth is not abiding,
like a stream away is gliding;
safe I anchor in his grace.

Stand

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

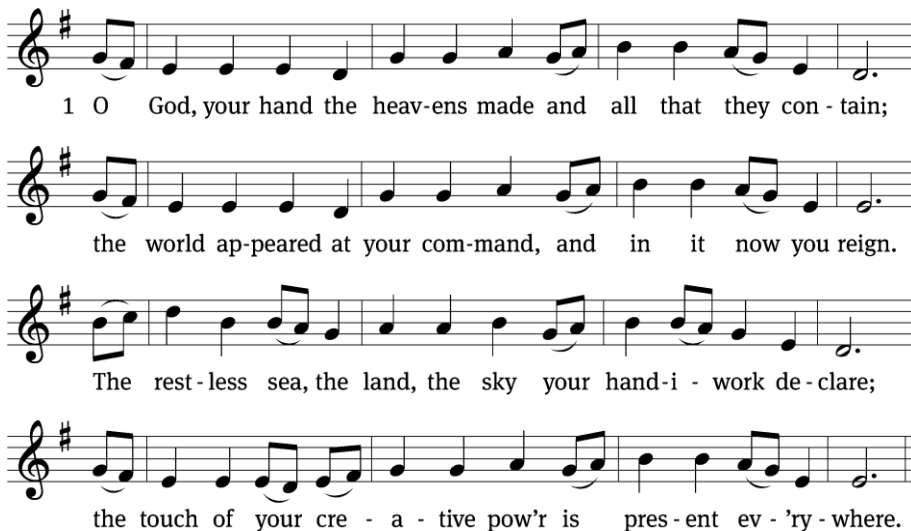
Be seated

Offering

Offering boxes are available in the back of church. If you wish to give an electronic offering, you may use the QR code located at the end of the bulletin or you may go to pilgrimcares.org/giving. We present the offerings before the altar as a reminder that our giving overflows out of the Gospel and is itself an act of worship.

Offering Hymn

CW 751 st.1



1 O God, your hand the heav-ens made and all that they con - tain;
 the world ap-peared at your com-mand, and in it now you reign.
 The rest - less sea, the land, the sky your hand-i - work de - clare;
 the touch of your cre - a - tive pow'r is pres - ent ev - 'ry - where.

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

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.

Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.

Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings

CW 752



1 Gra - cious God, you send great bless - ings new each
2 By your Word you formed cre - a - tion filled with
3 In his earth - ly life, our Sav - ior knew the
4 Heav'n - ly Fa - ther, may our car - ing bear the



morn - ing all our days. For your mer - cies
crea - tures large and small; as we tend that
care of faith - ful friends; may our deeds of
im - print of your grace; with the Son and



nev - er end - ing, for your love we of - fer praise.
end - less trea - sure may our care en - cir - cle all.
ded - i - ca - tion of - fer love that nev - er ends.
Ho - ly Spir - it, praise be yours in ev - 'ry place!

Refrain



Lord, we pray that we, your peo - ple who your



gifts un - num - bered claim, through the shar - ing



of your bless - ings may bring glo - ry to your name.

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Closing Prayer

O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

The Benediction

Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

Be seated

We Give Thee but Thine Own

CW 750



1 We give thee but thine own, what-e'er the gift may be;
2 May we thy boun-ties thus as stew-ards true re-ceive



all that we have is thine a-lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad-ly, as thou bless-est us, to thee our first-fruits give.

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THANK YOU, VETERANS!

It is with gratitude for God's gifts of freedom and opportunity that we wish to thank our veterans as we once again observe Veterans Day. May God bless all of our service men and women and keep them safe in his loving care!

Dick Bachmann	United States Air Force
Kevin Bale	United States Army
Joe Bedalov	United States Air Force
Joel Bradtke	United States Air Force
Anthony Costa	United States Army
Eric Eagon	United States Navy
Charles Entringer	United States Air Force
Jacob Fuiten*	United States Marine Corps
Nate Fuiten*	United States Marine Corps
Peggy Haas	United States Public Health Service
Jody Hahn	United States Army
Michael Henning	United States Marine Corps
Ron Hepner	United States Army, United States Air Force
Dennis Knack	United States Air Force
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Glen Kuphall	United States Army
Marvin Larsen	United States Army
Richard Mahn	United States Army
Jeff Maio	United States Army
Tim Martin	United States Air Force
Matthew Medrow*	United States Army Reserve
Jeff Nyhus	United States Air Force
Justin O'Leary*	United States Air Force
Steven Radke	United States Army, Army Reserves
Robert Schaenzer	United States Army
Gunther Thoms	United States Air Force
Barry Toepfer	United States Marine Corps
Laura Winkelman	Army National Guard

*Currently serving.

If your name wasn't included, please let us know so we can make sure you are listed next year.

News & Notes

Principal Kevin Klug has returned the call to serve at St. Mark's Lutheran Church and School in Lincoln, Nebraska. He will continue his ministry here at Pilgrim! Please keep St. Mark's congregation in your prayers.

Lutheran Military Support Group Ammo Can: (Free Will offering) LMSG programming comes through their Ammo Can Campaigns held in May and November each year. Examples of programming include our Spiritual Retreats, Educational Scholarships, and Christian Service Members' Handbook.

Introducing Evensong: A Discipleship Event -- Join us on the Third Thursday of November, November 21, in the Gathering Space for a night of study and fellowship. Our evening will begin with a look at the rich theology and history of a few of our Advent hymns. We will look at each appointed hymn of the day for the four Sundays in Advent, their origins, and their messages. Following our study we will break for fellowship and conversation during which charcuterie and wine will be served. We will end the evening with an evening prayer service in which those same hymns will be featured. Evensong begins at 7pm and wraps up around 9pm. We hope to see you there!

Pilgrim Moms, please join us on Wednesday, November 13, at 9am for GEMS. Little ones are welcome to join, also! We'll meet at Kayla Adamson's home: N81W15265 Hilltop Drive, Menomonee Falls. If you have any questions, please contact Alyssa at 414.881.0604.

Elegant Farmer Fundraiser -- Pilgrim's PTA is selling pies, crisps, and other items from Elegant Farmer, and we have a chance to make 28% of the sales. You can place your orders now through Thursday November 14th. An order form is located on the back shelf of the church. Please make checks payable to Pilgrim Lutheran and put your payment in the envelope by the order form. Orders will be ready for pick up Tuesday November 26th between 2:30-3:30pm, from the church entrance, just in time for Thanksgiving! We can coordinate other arrangements if needed for anyone unable to pick up at that time. Please contact Pilgrim PTA President MariLynn Toepel at 414-322-3997 with questions.

Pie Social - The Third Annual Pie Social will take place in the Gathering Space following our Thanksgiving Eve worship service on Wednesday, November 27. You can bring a pie, or just come and enjoy! Pies should be **pre-cut** and dropped off in the school kitchen prior to the worship service. This is a great opportunity to invite others to come and see Pilgrim first hand and have a conversation over a piece of pie!

Advent by Candlelight for the women and girls of Pilgrim and their guests will be held on Sunday evening, December 1 (that's the Sunday after Thanksgiving), in our beautiful gathering space at school. We are excited to welcome Mike Westendorf, a Christian singer/songwriter and worship leader, who will present this year's program of music, inspirational messages, and audiovisual elements. The doors will open at 6:00, and

dessert will be served at 6:30, with the program following. This is a free event, but we need to know how many to plan for, so please enter your name and the names of your guests on the signup sheet in the church narthex. As always, we will need volunteers to decorate tables with centerpieces and candles. (We'll do that on Saturday afternoon between 2:00 and 4:00.) We will also need volunteers to bring the delicious treats (either homemade or purchased) for our sumptuous dessert buffet. You'll find signup sheets for those tasks also. Mark your calendars now, ladies! You won't want to miss Advent by Candlelight this year. If you have any questions, contact Irene Lape, Karen Maio, Gretchen Klug, or Joan Meier.

Menomonee Falls Dump Run Needed We had some volunteers that helped with yard cleanup at the Huebner and Porth homes over the weekend. We filled many yard bags and got some to the dump before it closed, but we still have about 12 bags that need to be taken to the Menomonee Falls Dump this week. (They are in Miss Huebner's garage with the rain coming this week.) Is there anyone who is a Menomonee Falls resident that has a punch card and could drop them off for free? The bags are pretty large, please be aware that you may need a truck or trailer. Please let the office or Kayla Adamson (920-960-6231) know if you would be able to help.

The WELS Bargain Center (84th and Lisbon in Milwaukee) continues to be blessed! With our \$15,500 in revenue, we were able to give gifts of \$3,052 to each of our three recipients, including The Point of Grace which is a college campus ministry located at UWM. They have volunteers that come the first Saturday of every month. We appreciate their help immensely and would have been forced to close one of our Saturdays if they had not offered to come in extra. Wisconsin Lutheran Institutional Ministries and the Lighthouse Youth Centers are our other two monthly recipients. Please keep the Bargain Center in your prayers and strongly consider donating a few hours every month. Call 414-463-2595 for information.

Christmas Donations – You can spread Christmas cheer! WELS Lutherans for Life is conducting a Christmas Party for clients. Would you donate items to help families in need? For a complete list of desired items, visit ALife2.com/Client-Donations. Donations can be dropped off at 8501 W Lincoln Ave, West Allis until December 5. For questions call 414-727-8176 or email Events@ALife2.com.

KML's Theatre Department is now accepting auditions for the role of "Fletcher" in the upcoming winter musical production of Freaky Friday. This character, the 10-year-old younger brother of the lead role, appears in numerous scenes and songs. Boys in grades 4-8 are encouraged to submit an audition by November 24, following the guidelines posted at www.kmlhs.org/theatre. Any questions about the role or the audition process can be sent to the director, Mr. Matt Linton (matt.linton@kmlhs.org).

Wisconsin Lutheran College has three fine arts events coming up soon! *It's a Wonderful Life* live radio play November 14-17, the Christmas band concert on November 22 and the Choir concert on December 6, 7 and 8. Go to www.wlc.news for all the details on these great opportunities!

8:00am

10:30am

Ushers

11-10

Matt Lawonn
Rick Kleszczynski

Dave Chmielewski
Mike Olson

11-17

Phill Lepple
Josh Weber

Jim Prekop
Adam Chernohorsky

Worship Hosts

11-10

Irene Lape & Pat Knack

Joel & Jenny Raasch

11-17

Joe & Marlene Bedalov

Marge Ekstowicz & Elke Warren

Attendance

10-30

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11-3

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