



TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2025

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2025

Pilgrim Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

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Grace / Joy

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

Pastor Collin Vanderhoof
Pastor Aaron Winkleman
David Porth, Amy Balza

Service of the Word

God Loves Me Dearly

CW 583



1 God loves me dear - ly, grants me sal -
2 I was in slav - 'ry, sin, death, and
3 He sent forth Je - sus, my dear Re -
4 Je - sus, my Sav - ior, him - self did
5 Now I will praise you, O Love e -



va - tion, God loves me dear - ly, loves e - ven me.
dark - ness; God's love was work - ing to make me free.
deem - er, he sent forth Je - sus and set me free.
of - fer; Je - sus, my Sav - ior, paid all I owed.
ter - nal; now I will praise you all my life long.



There - fore I'll say a - gain: God loves me



dear - ly, God loves me dear - ly, loves e - ven me.

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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 eter - 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.

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. It consists of six lines of music. The lyrics are printed below the notes. The first line begins with a common time signature 'C' and ends with a double bar line. The second line ends with a fermata over the final note. The third line ends with a double bar line. The fourth line ends with a fermata over the final note. The fifth line ends with a double bar line. The sixth line ends with a double bar line.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray

Living God, your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of your grace to lay hold of your promises and live forever in your presence; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. It consists of one line of music. The lyrics are printed below the notes. The line ends with a double bar line.

Be seated

Anthem

8:00am, Sung by third and fourth grade

Thankful

First Reading

Micah 7:18–20

¹⁸Who is a God like you,
who pardons sin and forgives the transgression
of the remnant of his inheritance?

You do not stay angry forever
but delight to show mercy.

¹⁹You will again have compassion on us;
you will tread our sins underfoot
and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea.

²⁰You will be faithful to Jacob,
and show love to Abraham,
as you pledged on oath to our ancestors
in days long ago.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

In the Morning I Will Sing

Psalm 63A

Refrain



In the morn-ing I will sing, I will
sing glad songs to you, I will sing glad songs of praise to
you. I will sing glad songs of praise to you.

Verse



1 O God, you are my God; for you I long; for
you my soul is thirst - ing. My bod - y pines for you like a
dry, wea - ry land with - out wa - ter. So I gaze on you in the

Refrain
sanc - tu - ar - y to see your strength and your glo - ry.

Verse



2 For your love is bet - ter than life, my lips will speak your
praise. So I will bless you all my life, in your
name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a
ban - quet, my mouth shall praise you with joy.

Refrain

Verse



3 On my bed I re - mem - ber you. On you I

muse through the night, for you have been my help; in the
shad - ow of your wings I re - joice. My soul clings to
Refrain
you; your right hand holds me fast.

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Second Reading

Romans 5:6–11

⁶You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. ⁸But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

⁹Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God’s wrath through him! ¹⁰For if, while we were God’s enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! ¹¹Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Verse of the Day

Luke 19:9, 10

Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”



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

Luke 19:1–10

¹Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. ²A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy. ³He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd. ⁴So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.

⁵When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, “Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.” ⁶So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.

⁷All the people saw this and began to mutter, “He has gone to be the guest of a sinner.”

⁸But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, “Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount.”

⁹Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”

The Gospel of the Lord



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

God Loved the World So That He Gave

CW 570



1 God loved the world so that he gave his on - ly
2 Christ is the sol - id rock of faith, who was made
3 God would not have the sin - ner die; his Son with
4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son for - gives the



Son the lost to save that all who would in
flesh and suf - fered death. All who con - fide in
sav - ing grace is nigh. His Spir - it in the
sins that you have done. You're jus - ti - fied by



him be - lieve should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.
him a - lone are built on this chief cor - ner - stone.
Word de - clares that we in Christ are heav - en's heirs.
Je - sus' blood; bap - tized, you are a child of God.

- 5 If you are sick, if death is near,
this truth your troubled heart can cheer:
Christ Jesus saves my soul from death;
this is the anchor of my faith!
- 6 Glory to God the Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To you, O blessèd Trinity,
be praise now and eternally!

Sermon

Stand

The 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.

O God, Your Hand the Heavens Made

CW 751 st. 3

3 De - liv - er us from self - ish aims, true stew - ards we would be;
en - dow us with a deep de - sire to live un - self - ish - ly.
A full ac - count - ing we must give and see you face to face;
let us ap - proach your throne with joy, sup - port - ed by your grace.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'O God, Your Hand the Heavens Made'. It consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a '3' indicating a triplet. The music is written in a simple, accessible style with many notes beamed together.

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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.

Chief of Sinners Though I Be

CW 578



1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed his
2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, high - er than the
3 On - ly Je - sus can im - part com - fort to a
4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in
5 Strength - en me, O gra - cious Lord, by your Spir - it



blood for me, died that I might live on high,
heav'ns a - bove, deep - er than the depths of sea,
wound - ed heart, peace that flows from sin for - giv'n,
all to me; all my wants to him are known,
and your Word. When my way - ward heart would stray,



lives that I might nev - er die. As the branch is
last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty, love that found me—
joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, faith and hope to
all my sor - rows are his own. Safe with him in
keep me in the nar - row way; grace in time of



to the vine, I am his and he is mine!
won - drous thought— found me when I sought him not.
walk with God in the way that E - noch trod.
earth - ly strife, I a - wait the heav'n - ly life.
need sup - ply while I live and when I die.

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Stand

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.



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.



Be seated

Amazing Grace

CW 576



1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound— that
2 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
4 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but
Word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found, was blind but now I see.
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Text (sts. 1–3): John Newton, 1725–1807, alt.; (st. 4): A Collection of Sacred Ballads, Richmond, 1790 Tune: Columbian Harmony, Cincinnati, 1829, ed. Benjamin Shaw; ed. Charles H. Spilman Text and tune: Public domain

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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
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
Dennis Knack	United States Air Force
Ron Koplin*	United States Air Force, Air Force Reserve, Civil Air Patrol
John Kufahl	United States Air Force
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

Call news Mr. Klug has returned the call to St. Peter's in St. Peter, Minnesota and Mr. Porth has returned the call to St. Paul's in Livonia, Michigan. Please keep the ministry at both of those churches in your prayers!

SCRIP – November 3 BIG bonus earnings are right around the corner! If you haven't joined our RaiseRight program yet, now is a great time to sign up and get extra gift card earnings from your favorite brands. Get ready to earn BIG! From November 3-9 RaiseRight is running their "Holiday Shop Online Bonuses"! Plan your shopping list, buy gift cards, and earn extra on all your upcoming expenses. Haven't joined our RaiseRight program yet? Click [HERE](#) to sign up now! Please email Vicki Klessig if you have any questions (pilgrimscrip@pilgrimcares.org) Happy Earning!

Elegant Farmer Fundraiser – Pies, crisps, breads, and mini hams from Elegant Farmer can be ordered now through Thursday, November 13. Each item raises \$7 for Pilgrim. They make Thanksgiving and Christmas (or any time) more delicious! Order forms are available at the back of church. Order forms with payment (cash or check) are due by Thursday, November 13, and can be placed in the basket in the narthex or brought to the school office. Please make checks payable to Pilgrim Lutheran. Pick up will be Monday, November 24, in the church parking lot from 2:30-3:45. We can coordinate other arrangements if needed for anyone unable to pick up at that time. Last year we raised \$1,026 for Pilgrim; can we beat that this year? Contact MariLynn Toepel at 414-322-3997 or Adrin Smith at 630-606-2787 with any questions.

Christmas cards for shut ins: Looking for members that would like to send Christmas cards to shut ins and enjoy an afternoon of coffee and fellowship. Cards will be provided if you don't have your own! Meet at Fiddlehead's on Appleton Ave, Menomonee Falls, Nov. 18th starting at 1 pm. Addresses will be provided. Please bring your own stamps. Any and all ages welcome! Questions? Please contact Melissa Kehoe (414) 791-7291

Pie Social - The annual Pilgrim Pie Social will be held after our Thanksgiving Eve worship service on Wednesday, November 26 at 6:30pm. If you would like to donate a pie, please have it pre-cut and dropped off in the Gathering Space prior to the worship service. Please join us for fellowship and a slice of pie. Thank you!

Advent by Candlelight is an opportunity for the women and girls of Pilgrim and their guests to come enjoy a free evening of fellowship with an inspirational program on November 30th (the Sunday after Thanksgiving). The doors will open at 6:00, and dessert will be served at 6:30, with the program following. Please help us plan by signing up on the sheet in the church narthex. Opportunities to decorate tables with centerpieces and candles and/or to bring a dessert (either homemade or purchased) for our sumptuous dessert buffet - you can indicate if you'd like to help on the sign up sheet. You won't want to miss this beautiful evening. If you have any questions, contact Irene Lape or Karen Maio.

WLHS Veterans Day Observance—Wisconsin Lutheran High School will hold its annual Veterans Day observance on Tuesday, November 11. Service men and women are invited to a complimentary plated breakfast that will be served in the WLHS cafeteria at 7:30 a.m. RSVP for the breakfast at wlhs.org/veterans by Monday, November 3. For questions, contact Abby Rasmussen at abby.rasmussen@wlhs.org or 414-453-4567 ext. 2291.

Lutheran Girl Pioneers at Culver's! Monday, November 10 from 4:00pm – 8:00pm at the Culver's at 3705 N. 124th Street. A percentage of ALL sales will go to Lutheran Girl Pioneers.

WLHS Theatre Production - Tickets to the 2025 fall theatre production, *The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940*, go on sale Monday, October 27, at 10:00 a.m. Performances will be held on Thursday, November 13, at 7:00 p.m., Friday, November 14, at 7:00 p.m., Saturday, November 15, at 7:00 p.m., and Sunday, November 16, at 1:00 p.m. Tickets are available ahead of time at wlhs.org/drama for a discounted rate found ONLY online. This Agatha-Christie-meets-Clue formula of whodunnit parody is full of delightful slapstick for audiences of all ages.

Christian Family Solutions is seeking an **Executive Assistant** to join our team at our Germantown, corporate office. This will be a part-time role (approximately 20 hours per week) on-site. To learn more about this position and apply, go to www.ChristianFamilySolutions.org/careers

The WELS Bargain Center at [8401 W. Lisbon Ave.](http://8401W.LisbonAve) in Milwaukee continues to be blessed with record sales of almost \$17,000 in October . Our monthly recipients are Institutional Ministries, The Point of Grace and Lighthouse youth centers. We do have road construction going on in our vicinity, so please have patience when bringing in donations. With record sales, we continually need gently used household items, decorations, and clothing. Call the store with any questions 414-463-2595. Our hours are Tuesday through Saturday 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM.

KML Facility Expansion Dedication & Open House On Sunday, November 30, we invite you to join us for a special celebration of God's faithfulness and the incredible blessings he has provided. We would be honored to celebrate with you the dedication of our facility expansion and rejoice together in this joyful milestone. Our annual open house for families of prospective students will follow the dedication. Register to attend at kmlhs.org/2025dedication. The registration deadline is November 14.

The Lutheran Chorale of Milwaukee Presents *Emmanuel Lives* Sunday, November 30 at 2 p.m. ~ Atonement Lutheran Church, 4500 N Sherman Blvd, Milwaukee Please join the Lutheran Chorale of Milwaukee, for their annual *Prelude to Christmas* concert entitled *Emmanuel Lives*. A freewill offering will be collected. For more information and to make an online donation, visit LutheranChorale.org.

Theatre Production: The Wisconsin Lutheran College Theatre Department will present *Our Town*, a play by Thornton Wilder, November 13-16 in the Center for Arts and Performance's Raabe Theatre. Tickets are \$15; learn more at wlc.news/ourtown or call 414.443.8802.

Band Concert: The Wisconsin Lutheran College Concert Band will present its **Prelude to Christmas Band Concert** on Friday, November 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the Center for Arts and Performance's Schwan Concert Hall. Tickets are \$12 and may be purchased at wlc.news/band-concert or by calling 414.443.8802.

Choir Concert: The Wisconsin Lutheran Choir and Chamber Choir present their **Christmas Festival Concert** December 5 and 6 at 7:30 p.m. and December 7 at 2:30 p.m. in the Center for Arts and Performance's Schwan Concert Hall. Tickets are \$15 and may be purchased at wlc.news/choir-concert or by calling 414.443.8802.

Concert Announcement Laudate Dominum Please join us for an evening of comforting music at our concert on Sunday, November 23rd at 7 PM at St. Matthew's in Oconomowoc. *E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come* will feature 36 singers from 14 area congregations. Come and be encouraged by music that points us to the Savior who was, who is, and who is to come

Ushers

	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>10:30am</u>
11-9	Glen Kuphall Jason Wetzel	Jim Prekop Mark Murphy
11-16	Phill Lepple Keith Gennerman	Bryan Giesenschlag John Kufahl

Worship Hosts

11-9	Bill & LaVonne Kirchner	Delores Tessmer & June Bitney
11-16	Irene Lape & Pat Knack	Paul & Kathy Arnhold

Attendance

10-29	29
11-2	196 + 95 = 291



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