

A Time of Worship & Praise

25th Sunday after Pentecost

November 19, 2023

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

***Processional:** *We Gather Together* 131

Call to Worship

Come! Let us give thanks to God!

We give thanks for the gift of warm bread, the smell of dinner cooking in the oven, and the joy of gathering around a table together.

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We give thanks for all the times God has made a way out of no way, providing for us in body and spirit just when we need it.

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We give thanks for the ways God weaves us together as a community of love and care, supporting one another in the ebbs and flows of daily life.

Let us come into God's presence with grateful praise!

Come! Let us worship God together.

Opening Prayer

God of love, the grace that nourishes us is more abundant than we know; the mercy that bears us through our struggles is deeper than we think. And you are more present than we suspect, here and now. We open our hearts to your grace. In the little loaves and fishes of this moment, multiply your grace. In the little boat of our prayer, carry us across.

Special Music: *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* 152

Chancel Choir, directed by Dave Fog, accompanied by Kelley Fog

Kids Minute

*Please stand in body or spirit.

WE LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture

John 6.5-14

This is the Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God!**

Message: *Giving Thanks*

Thanksgiving Litany

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Prayers of the People

Invitation to Prayer: *I Love You, Lord* 2068

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer 895

Offerings of the People

***Doxology** 95

*Prayer of Dedication

Lord of peace and serenity, receive the gifts we bring this day as we present them in thankfulness and joy. We bring ourselves as our offering, that in living lives of truth, justice, honor, and excellence, we might please you and be worthy of your never-failing love and presence with us. Grateful that Christ and the Holy Spirit might dwell in us, we pray in Jesus' holy name. Amen.

WE DEPART TO SERVE GOD

*Benediction

***Hymn of Joy:** *Give Thanks* 2036

Worship Ends | Service Begins

Announcements

Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service, TONIGHT! Bethany Lutheran Church, 7 pm

Many Voices Choir Holiday Concerts

- ◆ Nov 26, 3:30 p.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Bancroft.
- ◆ Dec 2, 1:30 p.m. at St Patrick Catholic Church, Estherville
- ◆ Dec 2, 7:30 p.m., at St Mary's Catholic Church, Spirit Lake
Admission is FREE (free will offering appreciated)
Enjoy Holiday music – some of your friends will be singing!

Adopt-A-Family Giving Tree

Grasp a tag from the Giving Tree, sign your name next to the item on the list, and return your gifts UNWRAPPED by Dec 10. We have 7 families to care for this year. This mission makes a big difference for many area families!

Coming Up

- ◆ **Mon, Nov 20:** Card Club, 12 pm (FLC Classrooms); Horizons, 1:00 pm (FLC); Just For Kix
- ◆ **Tues, Nov 21:** Card Club, 12 pm (FLC Classrooms)
- ◆ **Wed, Nov 22:** Coffee Time, 3 pm (Narthex); NO JAM until after Thanksgiving
- ◆ **Thurs, Nov 23:** Thanksgiving Office Closed
- ◆ **Fri, Nov 24:** Office Closed
- ◆ **Sun, Nov 26:** First Sunday in Advent
- ◆ **Wed, Nov 29:** Newsletter Folding, 10 am

Today's Worship Stewards

Music: Kelley Fog
Liturgist: Michelle Kogel
AV: Kogel Family
Livestream: Jodi Ward
Acolytes: Kenna & Maddi Burns
Offering Counters: Shayne Kogel, Karen Sargent

Next Week

Rosemary Matthews
Sarah Frederick
Ditch Family
Paxton Duhn
Steve Horsman, Savannah S.



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10:00 AM