THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION . . .

The word "Sacrament" means that God is at work here. A Sacrament is an act of God, not just a pious ritual of the Church. What God does here is present us with the true Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, "in, with, and under" the bread and wine. It is more than just a reminder or a symbol of Christ. It is Christ. And so the proper approach is one of repentance for sin, and trust in God's promise. "He is truly worthy who has faith in the words: Given and shed for you," as Dr. Luther often said. We ask those who have never communed with us to please speak with the pastor before doing so. Everyone is welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.

Welcome: Happy Thanksgiving! You are in the right place. Like the leper who returned to Jesus to offer Him thanks, you are a guest of the God of all things, who in love provides for all your needs. As you reflect on the abundant blessings you have received from the Lord this year, do not forget the gift of faith. You know a Savior in Jesus Christ! You have hope and salvation! You are an heir of heaven! You have a treasure more valuable than the wealth of the whole world. Rejoice that the Master has had mercy on you and that your faith has made you well.

Assisted Listening Devices: are available for those who have trouble hearing the service. Please see an usher to use one.

Communication Cards: Please fill out the bright yellow communication cards located by the bulletins as you enter. If you are a visitor or your address has changed, please include that in the space provided. Prayer requests for next week may be written on the back.

Communion Procedure: Communion will be by continuous line. As the usher releases your pew, move to the pastor who will distribute the wafer, the assisting minister will offer the chalice as the common cup, and the acolyte will be holding the tray of individual cups. Grape juice is in the outer ring and is lighter in color than the wine. The wine is darker in color. Baskets to dispose of the individual cups are located on the outside edge of the front pew. If you are unable to come forward to receive communion, alert an usher and the Pastor will bring communion to you.

Cushions are available for those who may need them; ask an usher for assistance.

Nursery Welcomes Your Child: The church nursery is available during both Sunday worship services and Sunday school for preschool age children and younger. The nursery is staffed with a professional Nanny. It is located to the right as you enter the building, just past the coat room.

Prayer Requests: Please use the pink sheets to request prayers to be read during the service. Place in the offering plate.

Quiet Room: The Luther Room (located at the end of the hall to the left as you enter the building) is available for use as a "quiet room." It is equipped with comfortable chairs and a TV that shows the service.

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✢ Thanksgiving Eve Worship ✢
November 25, 2026—7:00 PM

Members and Visitors: Please take a moment to fill out the bright yellow Guest & Member Communication Cards and place it in the offering plate during the Offering time. Thank You.

Hymn "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" LSB 892, sts. 1–4

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Memory Verse 1 Corinthians 15:21-22

C **21 For as by a man came _____, by a man has come also the _____ of the dead. 22 For as in Adam all _____, so also in Christ shall all be made _____.**

Opening Sentences Psalm 100

P Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

C **Serve the Lord with gladness!**

P Come into His presence with singing!

C **Know that the LORD, He is God!**

P It is He who made us, and we are His;

C **we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.**

P Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise!

C **Give thanks to Him; bless His name!**

P For the LORD is good; His steadfast love endures forever,

C **and His faithfulness to all generations.**

Confession and Absolution

P O Lord, we confess:

C **Your steadfast love endures forever. You are the source of all good things. Yet, for our thankless hearts, that is often not good enough. We do not recognize Your blessings or return Your generosity with gratitude. Our stubborn, sinful nature hoards for itself and refuses to share the overflow we have been given. Forgive us, O Lord, and stir us to thankfulness for Your gifts in this life, for the sake of Your Son, Jesus, through whom we have gifts for the life to come. Amen.**

Pause for silent reflection

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of my Lord, Jesus Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive You all Your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Salutation

P The Lord be with you. **C** **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray. Lord of abundant mercy, You display Your kindness to the just and unjust alike. Give us grateful hearts that, spurred on by faith, we might praise You for Your daily safekeeping and the redemption that is in Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C** **Amen.**

Hymn "Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart" LSB 806

First Reading: Deuteronomy 8:1–10

1 "The whole commandment that I
command you today you shall be careful
to do, that you may live and multiply, and
go in and possess the land that the LORD
2 swore to give to your fathers. And you
shall remember the whole way that the
LORD your God has led you these forty
years in the wilderness, that He might
humble you, testing you to know what
was in your heart, whether you would
3 keep His commandments or not. And
He humbled you and let you hunger and
fed you with manna, which you did not
know, nor did your fathers know, that
He might make you know that man does
not live by bread alone, but man lives by
4 every word that comes from the mouth
of the LORD. Your clothing did not wear
out on you and your foot did not swell
5 these forty years. Know then in your
heart that, as a man disciplines his son,
the LORD your God disciplines you. So
6 you shall keep the commandments of the
LORD your God by walking in His ways
7 and by fearing Him. For the LORD your
God is bringing you into a good land,
a land of brooks of water, of fountains
and springs, flowing out in the valleys
8 and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of
vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a
land of olive trees and honey, a land in
9 which you will eat bread without scarcity,
in which you will lack nothing, a land
whose stones are iron, and out of whose
10 hills you can dig copper. And you shall
eat and be full, and you shall bless the
LORD your God for the good land He has
given you."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle: 1 Timothy 2:1–4

[1]First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, [2]for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. [3]This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, [4]who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

L This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel: Luke 17:11–19

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

[11]On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. [12]And as He entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance [13]and lifted up their voices, 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 cleansed. [15]Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; [16]and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. [17]Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? [18]Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" [19]And He said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Apostles' Creed

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

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

Hymn **"Sing to the Lord of Harvest"** **LSB 893, sts. 1–3**

Sermon **Prayers of Thanks**

Offering *We will pass the offering plate to collect your offerings and Guest & Member Communication Cards (yellow sheets). We have three options for online giving available on our website https://www.gloriadeihudson.org. Scroll down to the "Online Giving" section and you will see Simply Giving, PayPal, and Venmo.*

Prayer of the Church

A It is good to give thanks to the Lord and to sing praise to the name of the Lord Most High. **C** **O Lord, open our lips, and our mouths will declare Your praise.**

A For our homes and families, that they might be shelters from danger and havens of Your peace, we pray. Lord, in Your mercy, **C** **hear our prayer.**

A For our nation's economy, that all people might be able to apply themselves to honest work, we pray. Lord, in Your mercy, **C** **hear our prayer.**

A For schools and universities, that students might be safe and have guidance to grow into honorable citizens, we pray. Lord, in Your mercy, **C** **hear our prayer.**

A For clinics, hospitals, and research laboratories, that healthful medicines and therapies could be delivered with compassion and integrity, we pray. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

A For all who govern our land, that they would lead as servants and bring dignity to their office, we pray. Lord, in Your mercy, **C** **hear our prayer.**

A For all who rely on charity, that their needs would be met and their feet would be put on paths toward positive outcomes, we pray. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

A For productive agriculture, that Your care for humanity might shine through those who feed others, we pray. Lord, in Your mercy, **C** **hear our prayer.**

A For those who defend our country and those who respond in emergencies, that they would be esteemed rightly and find satisfaction in how they serve, we pray. Lord, in Your mercy, **C** **hear our prayer.**

A For Your holy church, that believers might stand firm in the truth and stand up for the hurting and helpless, we pray. Lord, in Your mercy, **C** **hear our prayer.**

A For the earth and the gifts of clean air and water, that You would continue to sustain life through this world's beauty and abundance, we pray. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

A For the many gifts we neglect to thank You for that we now recognize in our hearts, we pray.

Silent prayer

P For these and all other things You know we need, we offer our gratitude. Increase our faith that we might always look to You for our blessings and return to You the thanks You are due; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

C **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✢ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✢ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Proclamation of Christ

A As often as we eat of this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

Hymn **"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"** **LSB 809, sts. 1–3**

Hymn **"Come, Let Us Eat"** **LSB 626, sts. 1–4**

Post-Communion Thanksgiving

A Let us pray. Lord, Your steadfast love endures forever, and Your faithfulness extends to all generations. As you have called us to share this Meal at Your Table, keep us steadfast in the true faith, that knowing Your grace we might be those who do not forget Your benefits or fail to thank You for Your matchless love through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Closing Sentences — Psalm 103:1–5a

A Bless the LORD, O my soul, **C** **and all that is within me, bless His holy name!**

A Bless the LORD, O my soul, **C** **and forget not all His benefits,**

A who forgives all your iniquity, **C** **who heals all your diseases,**

A who redeems your life from the pit,
C **who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**

A who satisfies you with good! Let us bless the Lord! **C** **Thanks be to God!**

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✢ give you peace.

C **Amen.**

Memory Verse — 1 Corinthians 15:21-22

C **[21] For as by a man came _____, by a man has come also the _____ of the dead. [22] For as in Adam all _____, so also in Christ shall all be made _____.**

Hymn — "For the Fruits of His Creation" — LSB 894, sts. 1–3

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Special thanks to Susan Leon for leading the music this evening.