ZION
LUTHERAN † ANOKA

A WELCOMING FAITH COMMUNITY.
GROWING. CARING. SERVING.
†
NOVEMBER 21/22, 2026
CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY
BLESSING OF THE QUILTS

Welcome to Worship

If you are a visitor please stop at the Welcome Desk in the lower level for a visitor bag.
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PREACHING:
Pastor Sue Wallager

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Mary Jo Gothmann

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8 AM Pr Mike Pancoast
9 AM Pr Connie Tiede
11 AM Pr Mike Pancoast

READER:
5 PM Judy Bendiske
8 AM Marlene Gray
9 AM Bill Travis
11 AM Jim Bauer

PRELUDE

GATHERING

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

There is only one God – Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit.

Amen

God of endless love: help us admit our sinfulness. Forgive us as only you can, so, we can fully love you and each other.

Amen

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

A time of silence

Loving God,

We confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own ways. Forgive us our sins: for those we have spoken or acted and those not spoken or acted at all. Forgive us for failing to love those around us, both those closest to us and those we do not know. Forgive us for loving ourselves more than you, and our will more than yours. Forgive us, turn us around, and give us a fresh start, so that we can live again as your children. Amen.

Beloved of God: Hear the good news! Even when we have messed up, God gives us a fresh start. His love never runs out, and He never tires of calling us His children. Hear God say to you now: Your sins are forgiven.

Amen

GATHERING SONG: Jesus Shall Reign, vs 1, 4 & 5 434



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.

BAPTISM (9 AM): Sadie Marie Wilson

WORD

WORD FOR KIDS

BLESSING OF THE QUILTS

> *Today we give thanks and ask for God's blessing upon these beautiful quilts, upon those who created them, and upon those who will receive them.*

God of all compassion, our neighbors near and far are in need of hope. Your Spirit moves among us like a mighty wind and whispers light into darkness. Open our hearts and hands to see your presence in our neighborhoods and across the world.

Jesus, open our hearts to love our neighbors.

We give you thanks for fabric and thread, for sewing machines and willing hearts—for all your servants who have given their time and talent to bring warmth and beauty into being.

Bless these quilts, O God, and bless the hands that made them.

Be with our neighbors who will receive these gifts. May they be wrapped in love, comforted by care, and touched by signs of your hope.

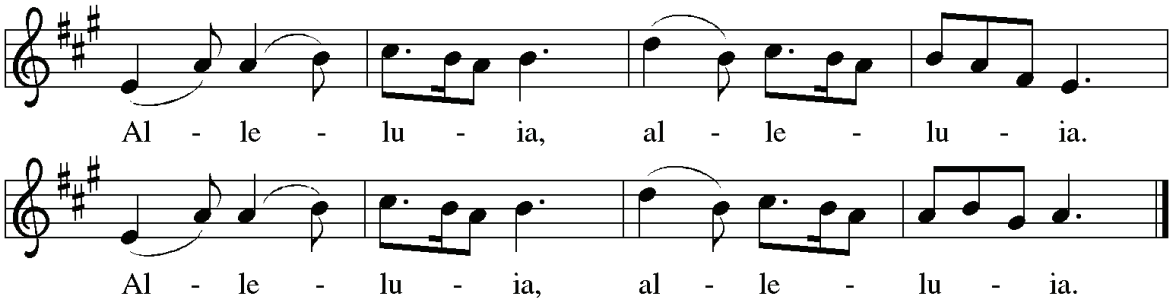
We recognize your abundant goodness, O God. Bless these quilts and all who are wrapped in them, that they may be reminders of your steadfast love and signs of hope to our neighbors near and far. Amen.

LESSON: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Celtic Alleluia* 174



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GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 25:31-46

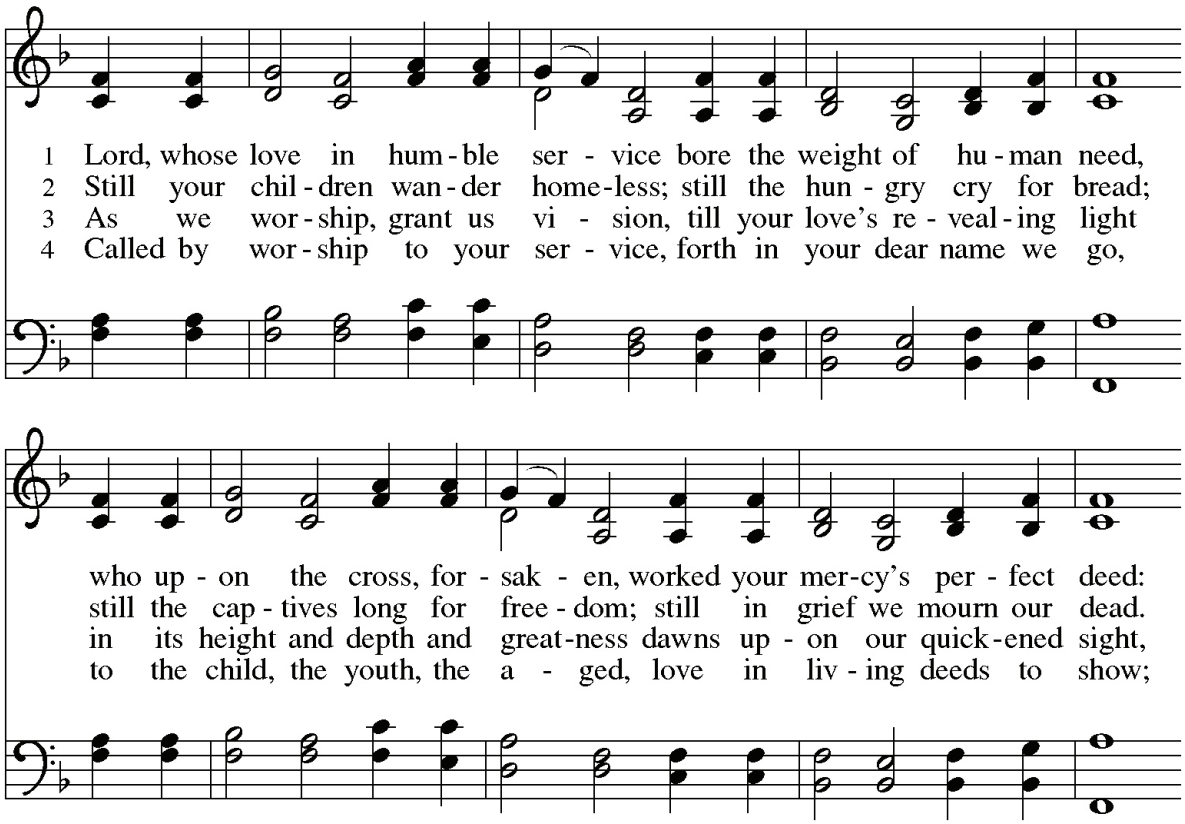
Glory to you, O Lord.

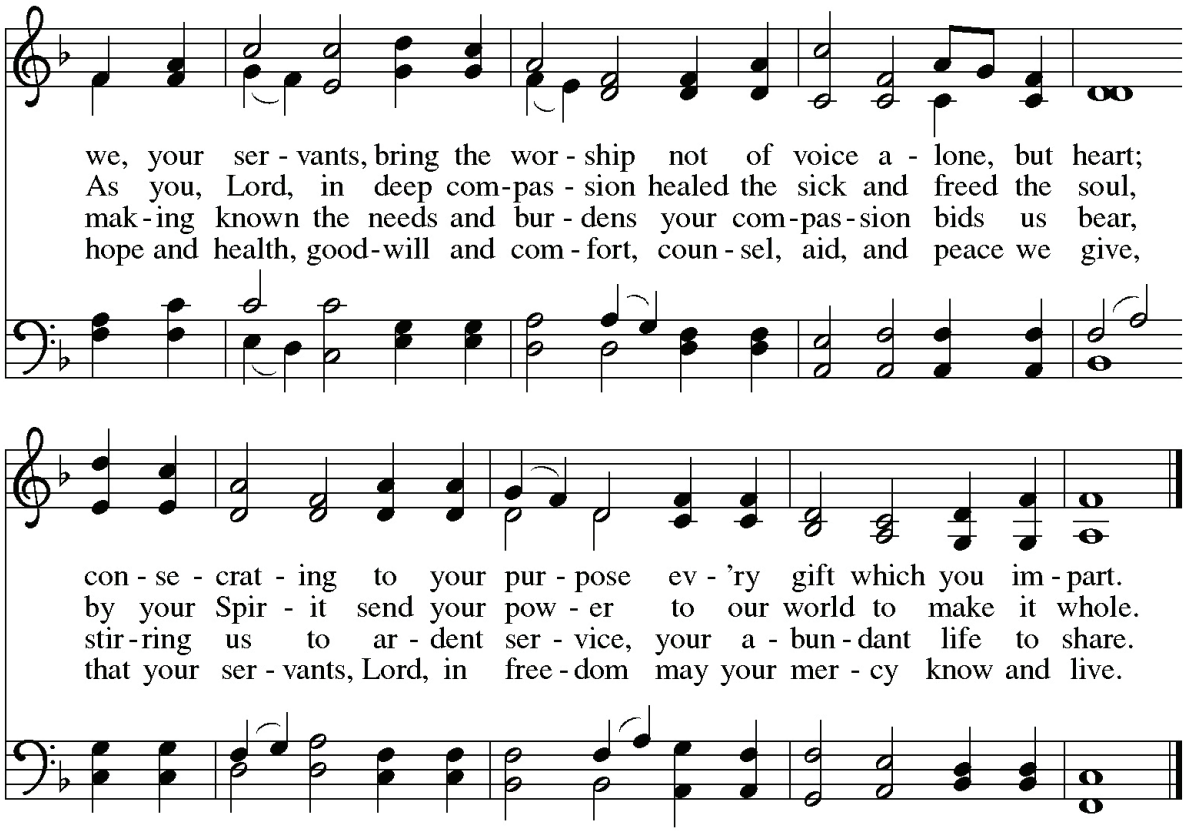
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON: by Pastor Sue Wallager

HYMN OF THE DAY: Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service 712





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Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844; arr. *Selected Hymns*, 1985
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THE 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

After each petition

This we pray through Christ our King…

Hear our prayer, O Lord.

SHARING THE PEACE:

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

(Share the peace with a wave and word of peace.)

MANY WAYS TO GIVE

TEXT: 763-710-2209

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click on "GIVE TODAY"

ELECTRONIC GIVING
https://cutt.ly/ziongivetoday
or

MEAL

OFFERING

CHOIR ANTHEM (9 AM):

"King All Glorious" ..... arr. Thygerson

Adult Choir; Jonathan Campbell, dir.; Mary Jo Gothmann, organ

OFFERTORY: As We Gather at Your Table, vs 1 522

As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word,
help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own;
teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's vict'ry known.

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

Eternal God, our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord**.**
Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:

The Lord be with you.

And also 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

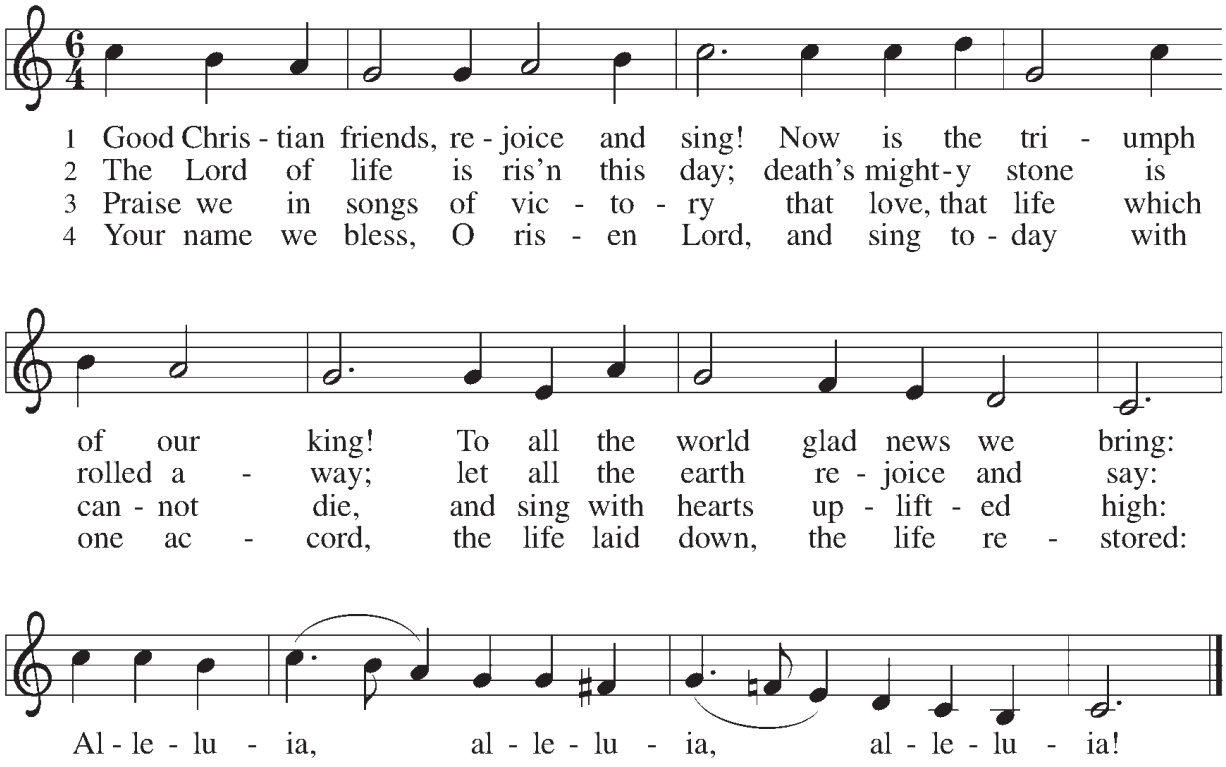
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the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

DISTRIBUTION

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

- *The ushers will invite you forward. Please take a cup from them and proceed to a communion station.*
- *The first server will give you a wafer. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, please let them know.*
- *The second server will pour wine into your cup. If you prefer white grape juice, go to the third server.*
- *After receiving communion, place your empty cup in the baskets provided as you return to your seat.*

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing! 385



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DISTRIBUTION HYMN: Baptized and Set Free 453



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POST COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER:

Holy God, we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING

BENEDICTION:

The Holy Trinity, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God, today and always.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name! 634



Text: Edward Perronet, 1726–1792, sts. 1–4; J. Rippon, *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787, sts. 5–6
Music: CORONATION, Oliver Holden, 1765–1844

DISMISSAL:

Go in peace. encourage one another.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

WE WELCOME YOU TO WORSHIP

Hearing Assistance Units Available

Hearing assistance units are available at the sound booth at the back of the Sanctuary.

Mobility Concerns

We have areas in the sanctuary where a wheel-chair or walker will fit. Ushers can assist you.

Children Welcome

Activity bags are available outside the sanctuary. We have two "pray grounds" in the sanctuary with plenty of places just outside the sanctuary as well where children can sit and play.

LIVE STREAM

Sunday 9 & 11 am
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(click "Worship Online")
- or-
www.facebook.com/ZionLutheranChurchAnokaMn
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Channel 6
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HOSPITAL VISITS AND PASTORAL CARE

If you or a family member are in the hospital or have had a change in your health status and would like a pastoral visit, please call the church office at 763-421-4656, email Kristine at kjohnson@zion-anoka.org or Pr. Sue at swallager@zionanoka.org or let any of the pastors know. The pastoral staff will be very happy to visit you and provide pastoral care. Thank you.

COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

One of Zion's most important ministries is reaching out to our home-bound members. We do this by radio, Cable-TV and livestreaming of worship services, visits by our Visitation Minister Ken Johnson, and monthly services at assisted living facilities. Sharing Holy Communion is one of the most meaningful ways we connect with our homebound members. Zion has a visitation team that provides this ministry. If you or a family member would like a monthly home communion visit please call the church office at 763-421-4656. We are also looking for kind, caring souls to add to our visitation team. Please contact Pastor Sue at swallager@zionanoka.org if you would like to become part of the *Home Communion Visitation Team.*

SUPPORT OUR RADIO BROADCAST ON BOB-FM

Every Sunday morning at 9:10 am, Zion's traditional worship service is broadcast on BOB-FM (106.1). Our radio broadcast covers a good portion of Minnesota and reaches several hundred listeners each Sunday, including many who do not have internet capability. Special gifts to support Zion's Radio Broadcast Fund are welcome. Gifts may be given in memory of a loved one or in honor of a special occasion such as a wedding anniversary. Thank you to recent supporters of the Radio Broadcast Fund.

GREETERS NEEDED - ALL SERVICES

We need you to help us be a welcoming church! Come share a smile and a warm greeting with all who come to worship. Please contact Linn Hauck at linn.hauck@gmail.com if you are interested or have questions.

PRAYER CARDS are available in the pew holders for you to write a prayer request. Place them in the wooden prayer collection boxes located in the Sanctuary, Chapel or at the front desk. All prayer concerns or thanksgivings are confidential and are shared only with the Prayer Team.