

Welcome home! **BAY VIEW** **LUTHERAN CHURCH** ELCA



November 14, 2021
Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost
8:00 AM
Pastor Jeff Greathouse

PRELUDE: Jason Palmer

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

*re-worship blogspot, Year B: Proper 28;
a call to worship inspired by Hebrews 10:19-22.*

We gather together to worship,
knowing that God is already here among us;
knowing that there is nothing that separates us
from the presence of our Lord.
Wherever we are, wherever we go,
God is near.

So let us enter into this service of worship
with confidence and hope,
knowing that God is already with us,
and that He stands eager to meet us
and bless us with His love.

OPENING PRAYER

*~ written by Michael Perry. Posted on the **Jubilate Hymns website.** <http://www.jubilate.co.uk/>*

When the skies grow dark and buildings fall, then hear us:
have mercy on us, Lord.

When deceivers come and the nations rise in anger, then hear us:
have mercy on us, Lord.

When famines begin,
and when the earth shakes to bring the future to birth, then hear us:
have mercy on us, Lord.

When we take our stand to witness to your truth,
when our people are arrested and betrayed, then hear us:

have mercy on us, Lord.

When the sun is darkened and the moon fails to give us light,
and when the stars fall from the sky, then hear us:

have mercy on us, Lord.

When you come in your great power and glory with your angels
from heaven:

Then, Lord,

gather us from the four winds—

from the ends of the earth,

to be with you for ever and ever. Amen.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

~ written by Moira Laidlaw, and posted on Liturgies Online. <http://www.liturgiesonline.com.au/>

CONFESSION

When the busyness of our lives erodes the intentions of our
hearts:

Merciful God, **forgive us.**

When our personal agendas take precedence over reaching out to
others:

Merciful God, **forgive us.**

When we keep putting off being more active “doers of the word”:

Merciful God, **forgive us.**

When we resist change, knowing that our acting and thinking
are limited by our prejudice and ignorance:

Merciful God, **forgive us.**

When we only half-listen to those who cry out to be fully heard:

Merciful God, **forgive us.**

*A time of silence to contemplate these words
and how they apply to us personally and as a community of faith.*

Gracious and merciful God,

forgive us for past faults

and help us in the present and future

to make ourselves more available to the hurting world that

surrounds us—

the world that begins on our doorsteps.

Equip us to be patient and compassionate listeners,
proclaiming the gospel not in overbearing ways but sensitively and lovingly.

Strengthen us with the Holy Spirit to be fruitful and active witnesses to Jesus in all we do and say.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

As we become doers of the word and not merely hearers, we discover that it is “in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving of ourselves that we receive”—surely evidence of “the implanted word that has the power to save our souls” – Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour.

Thanks be to God!

GATHERING SONG: *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* (ELW 759)

- 1 My faith looks up to thee,
thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine!
Now hear me while I pray,
take all my guilt away,
oh, let me from this day
be wholly thine!
- 2 May thy rich grace impart
strength to my fainting heart,
my zeal inspire;
as thou hast died for me,
oh, may my love to thee
pure, warm, and changeless be,
a living fire!
- 3 While life's dark maze I tread
and griefs around me spread,
be thou my guide;
bid darkness turn to day,
wipe sorrow's tears away,

nor let me ever stray
from thee aside.

- 4 When ends life's transient dream,
when death's cold, sullen stream
shall o'er me roll;
blest Savior, then, in love
fear and distrust remove;
oh, bear me safe above,
a ransomed soul!

Text: Ray Palmer, 1808-1887

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty God,

your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING: Daniel 12:1-3

A reading from Daniel.

¹“At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ²Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 16

¹Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;
I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my good above all other.”

²**All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.**

³But those who run after other gods
shall have their troubles multiplied.

⁴**I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,
never take their names upon my lips.**

⁵O LORD, you are my portion and my cup;
it is you who uphold my lot.

⁶**My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;
indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**

⁷I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me night after night.

⁸**I have set the LORD always before me;
because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

⁹My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my body also shall rest in hope.

¹⁰**For you will not abandon me to the grave,
nor let your holy one see the pit.**

¹¹You will show me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand
are pleasures forevermore.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 10:11-25

A reading from Hebrews.

¹¹Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. ¹²But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” ¹³and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.”

¹⁴For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. ¹⁵And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

¹⁶“This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord:

I will put my laws in their hearts,
and I will write them on their minds,”

¹⁷he also adds,

“I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.”

¹⁸Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

¹⁹Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Mark 13:1-8

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!”

²Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

³When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately,

⁴“Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” ⁵Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray.

⁷When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON: Pastor Jeff Greathouse

HYMN OF THE DAY: *My Lord, What a Morning* (ELW 438)

Refrain

My Lord, what a morning;
my Lord, what a morning;
oh, my Lord, what a morning,
when the stars begin to fall.

- 1 You will hear the trumpet sound,
to wake the nations underground,
looking to my God's right hand,
when the stars begin to fall. Refrain
- 2 You will hear the sinner cry,
to wake the nations underground,
looking to my God's right hand,
when the stars begin to fall. Refrain
- 3 You will hear the Christian shout,
to wake the nations underground,
looking to my God's right hand,
when the stars begin to fall. Refrain

Text: African American spiritual

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: GOD REMAINS

~ written by Bruce Prewer, and posted on [Bruce Prewer's Home Page](http://www.bruceprewer.com/DocC/C63sun33.htm). <http://www.bruceprewer.com/DocC/C63sun33.htm>

This I truly believe.

I believe in Jesus the Christ.

I believe in the ever-present Spirit

I believe in God whose love transforms all things.

Though false teachers come and delude the gullible,
God's truth remains sure.

Though temples crumble and churches wither,
God's gospel remains sure.

Though earthquakes strike and diseases ravage,
God's purpose remains sure.

Though good people suffer injustice and persecution,
God's love remains sure.

Though saints go to prison or face execution,
God's life remains sure.

I believe in God who treasures and nurtures us,
who yearns over the fate of each one as if they were all,
and who turns loss to gain and defeat to victory.

This I truly believe.

Amen!

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Remembering in our prayers: **Paul** (Jacobson), **Donovan** (Antholt), **Vicki** (Wittenberg), **Mimi** (Zinngrabe), **Janet** (Mickelson), **Deanne & Chris** (Schafer), **Kevin & Cathy** (Clark), **Steven** (Leek), **Dan** (Coyhis), **Sasha** (Hill), **Fred & Darlene** (Kirch), **Sandy** (Scott-Cota), **Rusty** (Feld), **Kayla** (Fleury), **Rich** (Mickelson), **Carl** (Scholz), **Tysha** (Osborne), **Dale** (Lyndahl), **Beth** (Jacobson), **Michael** (Cassity), **Sue** (Strong), **Larry** (Uecker), **Carol** (Bockhop), **Andrew** (Snyder), **Lois** (Krueger), **Elena** (Rouer), **Chuck** (Dull).

We also pray for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week: **Vicki** (Wittenberg), **Dana** (Anderson), **Connie** (Baudhuin), **Cora** (Baudhuin), **Jim** (Whitman), **Donald** (Wilz), **Lettie** (Cihlar), **Austin** (Pagels), **Hannah** (Sternard), **Brian** (Hansen), **Alora**

(Kuehn), **Gary** (Anderson), **Amelia** (Franklin), **Karen** (Isensee), **Susan** (Austad), **Evan** (Brey), **Abel** (Potier), **Tammy & Tom** (Wagner).

Lord, at this time, we create an opportunity for individuals to lift up those close to them verbally

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

MUSIC DURING OFFERING: Jason Palmer

OFFERING PRAYER

Holy God,
the earth is yours and everything in it,
yet you have chosen to dwell among your creatures.
Come among us now in these gifts of bread and wine,
and strengthen us to be your body for the world
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

DIALOGUE

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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

A feast of love is offered here
for you and for all the saints.

COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
Amen.

HYMN DURING COMMUNION: *Abide with Me* (ELW 629)

- 1 Abide with me, fast falls the eventide.
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
help of the helpless, oh, abide with me.
- 2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
change and decay in all around I see;
O thou who changest not, abide with me.
- 3 I need thy presence ev'ry passing hour;
what but thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?
Who like thyself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, oh, abide with me.
- 4 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if thou abide with me!
- 5 Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes,
shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;
heav'n's morning breaks,
and earth's vain shadows flee;
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Text: Henry F. Lyte, 1793-1847

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Blessed Jesus,
at this table, you have been for us both host and meal.
Now send us forth to extend our tables

and to share your gifts
until that day when all feast together
at your heavenly banquet.
Amen.

SENDING BLESSING

*~ from Hope in God's Future: Christian Discipleship in the Context of Climate Change Report & Study Guide, Methodist Publishing 2009. Posted on the **Third Space** website. <http://third-space.org.uk/blog>*

God's blessing be upon us
as we leave and return changed to our homes.
May we strengthen and encourage one another
in our shared vision.
And may the blessing of our adventurous Creator God go with us.
And may the blessing of the Son,
who showed us how to live,
re-shape us.
And may the blessing of the dancing Spirit
joyfully enable us in our renewed living. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG: *Let All Things Now Living* (ELW 881)

1 Let all things now living
a song of thanksgiving
to God the creator triumphantly raise,
who fashioned and made us,
protected and stayed us,
who still guides us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us,
God's light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
till shadows have vanished
and darkness is banished,
as forward we travel from light into light.

2 God rules all the forces:
the stars in their courses
and sun in its orbit obediently shine;
the hills and the mountains,
the rivers and fountains,
the deeps of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We too should be voicing
our love and rejoicing;
with glad adoration a song let us raise
till all things now living
unite in thanksgiving:
"To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!"

Text: Katherine K. Davis, 1892-1980, alt.
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Led on by the saints before us,
go in peace to serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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