



*Then they will see
"the Son of Man
coming in a cloud"
with power and
great glory.*

Luke 21:27, NRSV

**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
NOVEMBER 16, 2025
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WELCOME TO ALL guests and visitors. It is great to have you here with us to receive the gifts of God in this place. If you have any questions, please speak with an usher. We look forward to seeing you again!

COMMUNION: The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is being offered to our confirmed communicants today and is administered in accordance with the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions. It is celebrated in the confidence that we truly receive, under the bread and wine, the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, through which we further truly receive the forgiveness of sins. Besides individually receiving Christ's gift of forgiveness in this Sacrament, all those who commune here make a confession of their unity in the faith as it is believed and taught in our Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and in this congregation. Therefore, if you are not a confirmed communicant member, in good standing, of a Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod congregation, we kindly ask that you respect our beliefs and refrain from coming to the altar to receive the Sacrament until you have had an opportunity to speak with the Pastor.

SERVING IN NOVEMBER

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PASTOR MANZ' OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:

Monday	12:00pm – 4:00pm
Tuesday	10:00am – 2:00pm
Wednesday	9:00am – 1:00pm
Thursday	10:00am – 2:00pm
Friday	Off

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide.....LSB 355

Please stand as you are able..

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Malachi 4:1–6

“For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts.

“Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and just decrees that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

“Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God**

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P These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

**C Blessed are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**

EPISTLE READING

2 Thessalonians 3:1–13

Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith. But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one. And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we command. May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.

As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

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HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 21:5–28

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-first chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

While some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, [Jesus] said, “As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.” And they asked

him, “Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?” And he said, “See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is at hand!’ Do not go after them. And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once.”

Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name’s sake. This will be your opportunity to bear witness. Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. You will be hated by all for my name’s sake. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your lives.

“But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near. Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, for these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all that is written. Alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! For there will be great distress upon the earth and wrath against this people. They will fall by the edge of the sword and be led captive among all nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

“And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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SERMON HYMN

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OSL Education Opportunities:

Adult Bible Class: Sundays @ 10:30-11:30am, leader – *Pastor Manz* Currently studying the book of Amos.

Wednesday Bible Study: 1-2:30pm, leader – *Pastor Manz*

OSL West (3rd Thurs of the month): 10:15-11am, leader – *Pastor Manz*

UPCOMING DATES OF INTEREST

- **November 16 @ 10:00a** **Special Voter's Meeting**
- **November 17 @ 4:00p** **LWML Meeting**
- **November 18 @ 5:30p** **Council Meeting**
- **November 20 @ 10:15a** **OSL West**
- **November 24 @ 9:00a** **Decorate the Church**
- **November 26 @ 7:00p** **Thanksgiving Eve Service**
- **November 30 @ 9:00a** **Hanging of the Greens Service**

STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT If you were unable to present your stewardship commitment forms during the November 9 service, it's not too late! You may still submit your forms by giving them to Donita, placing them in her mailbox (Huegel), or dropping them by the church office. Mickey will soon begin organizing your Service Opportunities responses, and we don't want anyone to be left off the list for the coming year. If you have questions, contact Donita at (319) 330-5626.

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (Proper 28C)

16 November 2025

Malachi 4:1–6

2 Thessalonians 3:1–13

Luke 21:5–28

God’s Plan of Redemption Trumps Earthly Destruction and Violence

There are signs of the Lord’s coming all around: the cross that marks His Church, the violence and death of the sinful world, and the shaking of the natural order. “There will be great distress upon the earth” (Luke 21:23), but the faithful know that “the kingdom of God is near” (Luke 21:31). Therefore, “straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near” (Luke 21:28). Be awake and alert, and heed the words of Christ, which “will not pass away” (Luke 21:33). For you, “the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings” (Mal. 4:2). He sends His preachers of repentance in the spirit and power of Elijah “before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes” (Mal. 4:5), in order to “direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ” (2 Thess. 3:5). Although you are often faithless, “the Lord is faithful,” and by the preaching of His Word “he will establish you and guard you against the evil one” (2 Thess. 3:3). Therefore, “do not grow weary in doing good” (2 Thess. 3:13). In the midst of calamity, believe upon the Lord, Jesus Christ.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be a special Voter’s Meeting following worship today, November 16. Please plan to attend.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

November 17 – Sharon Prichard
November 18 – Teresa Morgan
November 19 – Rick Hartz
November 21 – Miriam Manz
November 23 – Mickey Van Baale
Apologies on a missed birthday
November 10 – Tracy Boger



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

November 17 – Michael & Patsy
Weddell
November 19 – Robert & Kellee Kemp



Acolyte for November & December:

November – Rylee Harkin
December – Makenna Dunkerson

Why Go to Church?

A Church goer wrote a letter to the editor of the newspaper and complained that it made no sense to go to church every Sunday. “I’ve gone for 30 years now” he wrote, “and in that time I have heard something like 3,000 sermons. But for the life of me, I can’t remember a single one of them. So I think I’m wasting my time and the pastors are wasting theirs by giving sermons at all.” This started a real controversy in the “Letters to the Editor” column, much to the delight of the editor. It went on for weeks until someone wrote this clincher:

“I’ve been married for 30 years now. In that time my wife has cooked some 32,000 meals. But for the life of me, I cannot recall the entire menu for a single one of those meals. But I do know this: They all nourished me and gave me the strength I needed to do my work. If my wife had not given me these meals, I would be physically dead today. Likewise, if I had not gone to church for nourishment, I would be spiritually dead today!”

Thank God for our physical AND our spiritual nourishment!

This Week at Our Savior

Day	Date	Time	Description
Sunday	16	9:00a 10:00a 10:00a 10:30a	Worship Special Voter's Meeting Fellowship Bible Study & Sunday School Acolyte – Rylee Harkin
Monday	17	4:00p	LWML Meeting
Tuesday	18	5:30p	Council Meeting
Wednesday	19	1:00p 7:00p-8:30p	Bible Study w/Pastor Manz Confirmation
Thursday	20	10:15a	OSL West
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Sunday	23	9:00a 10:00a 10:30a	Worship Service Fellowship Bible Study & Sunday School Acolyte – Rylee Harkin

DIRECT DEPOSIT OPTION FOR FINANCIAL TITHING

Interested in monthly, quarterly, bi-annually or annually direct deposit offerings from you retirement account or other investment accounts? If so, after discussing the options with your financial institution, please let Donita and/or Sue know that you have a plan in place. We ask only that you do not set it up for weekly direct deposits. See Donita or Sue with any questions. Thank you!

It is that time of year again where the members of OSL get the privilege to sponsor families from the St. Nicks Christmas Club as we have done since 2009. This will be the 15th year that we been donating to so many that are in need. One year we were able to help 58 children. This year we will be taking donations November 3rd and the 10th. This will allow us time to be ready when the book is available for adopting families to start shopping. We are always looking for cheerful elves to help with the shopping. What would you have to buy you ask? Each child gets an outfit, socks, under garments or diapers, and an item from their wish list. Also, anyone that is in need of a winter coat, boots, mittens, hats we always purchase as I feel this is a necessity. There is no set dollar amount for you to spend on a child as each child's needs are different. If this is something you would be interested in please contact me. It is a good feeling knowing that you helped out a family that may not have had much this holiday season. LWML would like to thank each and every one of you for your support towards our missionary projects.

Mary Ervin

For the month of November, OSL will continue a longstanding tradition of food collection for our local Food Pantry. We have in the past focused on bringing the donations on or near the Thanksgiving service, but to make things a little easier, donations can be brought any time during the month of November up until Thanksgiving. There are so many in our community that are in need of these donations and we're grateful that we're able to contribute to our local pantry with our donations. Look for the collection box in the narthex after the first of the month.



Remember in your prayers.....

- Stephanie Wellik, who is under hospice care.
- Esther Shulz for recovery from surgery on her leg.
- Jan Tolson, who fell recently and broke her wrist.
- Dianne Breckenridge, who has multiple health issues.
- Tom Tisdale, who is awaiting further answers from Mayo Clinic on his health issues.
- Carol Twedt's friend Roxie, for health issues.
- Marva Doerring, who is in long term Skilled Care at Newton Village.
- Nancy Janssen who is in Valley Vista.
- Steve Ford, brother-in-law of Jo Moses, who has blood cancer and is undergoing chemotherapy.
- Jane Allen, who is fighting breast cancer.
- Prayers for our farmers and a bountiful harvest.
- Prayers for those who have lost their SNAP benefits.
- Prayers for those who have been affected by the shutdown of the Federal Government.
- The Ministry of The Pregnancy Center of Central Iowa

Our Missionaries

Rev. James & Angela Sharp & Family – Puerto Rico
Pastor Carl & Chenhsi Li Hanson, Korea.
Cody & Aurelie Mock & Family - Latvia



*In case of hospitalization or desire for a pastor visit, please contact
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Please let Mickey know if you have an addition or update to the Prayers for the congregation. Thank you.