

The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour We Greet Our Members and Visitors Warmly In Jesus' Name.

# **Scout Sunday**

# 10:00 a.m. Sunday, February 2, 2025



The glory of God is often revealed when and where it is least expected. God uses our lips to declare that glory, inexperienced and hesitant though they may be. God uses our love to demonstrate that glory and so urges us to exercise it. God uses Jesus of Nazareth, water and the word, bread and wine, to reveal God's glory where and when God chooses. Take heed, lest the glory of God slip through our midst unnoticed.

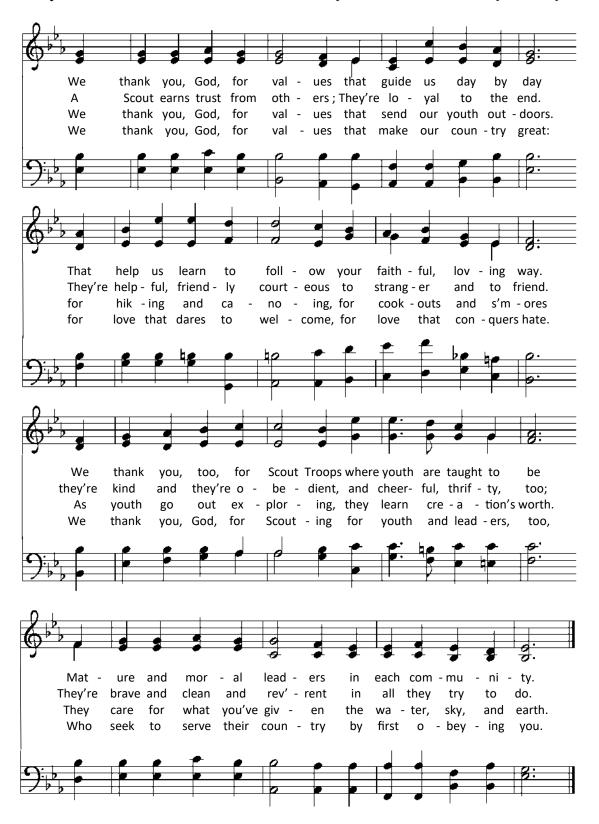
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### Prelude

### Announcements & Celebrations

#### **Entrance Hymn**

"We Thank You God for Values" words by Carolyn Gillete

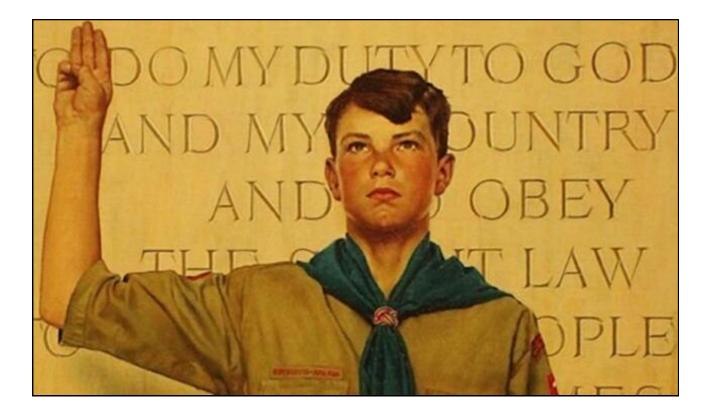


- *Pastor:* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- *All:* And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

*Pastor:* Let us pray.

*All:* Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



# A Litany of the Scout Law

- *Pastor:* A true and worthy person recognizes his obligations and does them without being watched or compelled.
- All: A Scout is trustworthy, and those who follow Jesus are trustworthy.
- Pastor: We owe much to many—to home, school, community, nation, and to God.

## All: A Scout is loyal, and those who follow Jesus are loyal.

*Pastor:* The Good Samaritan showed the spirit of doing a good turn.

### All: A Scout is helpful, and those who follow Jesus are helpful.

*Pastor:* No one likes a grouchy self-centered person who only cares about themselves. We must be willing to share our time with others.

## All: A Scout is friendly, and those who follow Jesus are friendly.

*Pastor:* Courtesy is the mark of all faith. It is shown in thoughtful acts and kindly respect for everyone.

### All: A Scout is courteous, and those who follow Jesus are courteous.

*Pastor:* Kindliness is the way people show respect for others.

### All: A Scout is kind, and those who follow Jesus are kind.

*Pastor:* Life is filled with tasks that we must do whether we like them or not. One of the marks of growing up is our readiness to accept responsibilities willingly.

### All: A Scout is obedient, and those who follow Jesus are obedient.

*Pastor:* Our moods make our days. If we are grouchy, our day is gloomy, if we are happy, our day is always brighter.

### All: A Scout is cheerful, and those who follow Jesus are cheerful.

Pastor: The world offers many gifts. A wise person uses them with care.

### All: A Scout is thrifty, and those who follow Jesus are thrifty.

*Pastor:* Each of us experience danger, difficult tasks, and temptations. Instead of cowardice, let us choose to be brave.

### All: A Scout is brave, and those who follow Jesus are brave.

*Pastor:* Cleanliness is said to be next to Godliness. To have a clean body, a clean mind, and a clean record is a rewarding achievement worthy of praise.

#### All: A Scout is clean, and those who follow Jesus are clean.

*Pastor:* Most of our character is determined by the things we worship. Whatever we put first in our life will determine the course and content of our life. When God is first, everything else falls into place.

#### All: A Scout is reverent, and those who follow Jesus are reverent.

*Pastor:* Give us clean hands, clean words, and clean thoughts, O God. Teach us to work hard and to play fairly. Forgive us when we are unkind and help us to help others. Send us the strength to do a good turn each day and help us to do your will in all areas of our life. Amen.

## **First Reading**

## Jeremiah 1:4-10

Lector: God calls Jeremiah to be a prophet and consecrates him in the womb. Jeremiah's task is to preach God's word amid the difficult political realities of his time, before the Babylonian exile. He is to make God known not only to Judah, but also to the nations.

*Lector:* A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you.

Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord." Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



# Psalm 71:1-6

*Lector:* In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.

All: In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; incline your ear to me and save me.

- *Lector:* Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; you are my crag and my stronghold.
- All: Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

*Lector:* For you are my hope, O Lord God, my confidence since I was young.

*All:* I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you.



"A Scout is Reverent." "...to do my Duty, to God and my Country..."

# Second Reading

# 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

- Lector: Christians in Corinth prided themselves on their spiritual gifts. Paul reminds them that God gives us many gifts through the Holy Spirit, but the purpose behind all of them is love, the kind of love that God showed us in Jesus Christ.
- *Lector:* A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

# The Gospel Reading

*Pastor:* A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

#### All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Then Jesus began to say to all in the synagogue in Nazareth, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

*Pastor:* The Word of the Lord.

#### All: Thanks be to God.



# **Eagle Ceremony For Jacob Foltz**

Jacob earned his Eagle rank on November 14 and will be honored with his Eagle badge today. Jacob earned a total of 23 merit badges and his Eagle community service project was the repainting of the three rooms here in the church over the summer. Jacob currently attends RIT and is studying Game Design.

"Listen, listen God is Calling"

## Hymn of Response



## The Apostles' Creed

*Pastor:* Let us stand together and proclaim what we believe.

*All:* I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

#### **Scouting Prayers**

- *Pastor:* As the spirit of Christ shines upon us, let us pray for the needs of this congregation, and for those who participate in Scouting. *(a brief silence)*
- *Deacon:* God, your will is that all your children should grow into fullness of life. We lift up to you the ministry of scouting that has been a blessing for our world for 115 years. God of all that is good,

#### *All:* hear our prayer.

*Deacon:* We give you thanks for camping and outdoor adventures, to teach us that the world is our great home; for study and work, to build character; for service, to see our responsibility to those in need; and for encouragement in genuine patriotism and vital faith. God of all that is good.

#### All: hear our prayer.

*Deacon:* Bless the work of scouting here at Our Saviour, and around the world, that, through its efforts, these young men and women may, like Paul, "become all things to all people for the sake of the Gospel." God of all that is good,

#### *All:* hear our prayer.

*Deacon:* We pray for continued safety and growth for scouts and leaders, their families, friends, and all who may be influenced by this program. God of all that is good,

#### All: hear our prayer.

*Deacon:* We pray for continued and improved support from this congregation, and that each and every scout may consider this community a place of welcome and love. God of all that is good,

#### *All:* hear our prayer.

*Deacon:* God who walks with us and knows our pains and sorrows, surround these scouts and all of us with your steadfast love. Be with all those we love who are ill, lonely, or forgotten. Help us to comfort those who suffer. God of all that is good.

#### All: hear our prayer.

*Deacon:* With faith and trust in God we offer these intensions on behalf of our Scouts, and all those present who call upon the name of the Lord, Jesus Christ, who answers our prayers.

#### All: Amen.



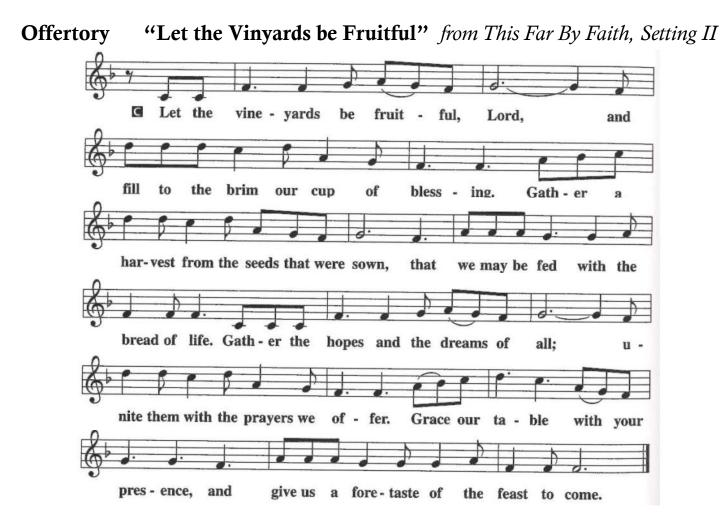
#### **Offertory Anthem**

Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire, and have not love; my words are vain, as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I posses, and striving so my love profess, But not be giv'n by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, spirit, come, our hearts control. Our spirits long to be made whole Let inward love guide every deed. By this we worship an d are freed.

Amen.



## **Offertory Prayer**

Pastor: God of creation,

*All:* all you have made is good and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Great Thanksgiving

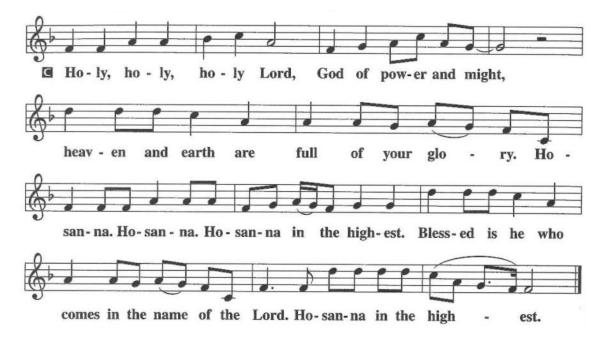
- Pastor: The Lord be with you.
- All: And also with you.
- Pastor: Lift up your hearts.
- All: We lift them to the Lord.
- Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.



Pastor: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord, sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

from This Far By Faith, Setting II



## Words of Institution

Pastor: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal, in the beginning you formed the heavens and earth and created us in your likeness. You made us guardians of your good creation and left the earth in our care.

All through our weary years and silent tears, you did not abandon us to ourselves, but sought us out in love. When we were captives in Egypt, you did not abandon us. When we wandered in the wilderness, you did not abandon us. When we turned to false gods, you did not abandon us. Through your holy prophets you called us to return to your graciousness, to your mercy, and to your steadfast love.

In the crowning act of love you gave your only Son, that whoever believes in him will have eternal life. For you sent Jesus not to condemn the world, but to save the world from sin. Through his death on the cross, we who were once far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

#### All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Pastor: With this bread and cup, we remember Christ's love among us; his association with outcasts, his eating with sinners, his healing of the sick, his care for the poor.

Send we pray, your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and wine, that we who share this meal may become a holy communion, the body of Christ in the world.

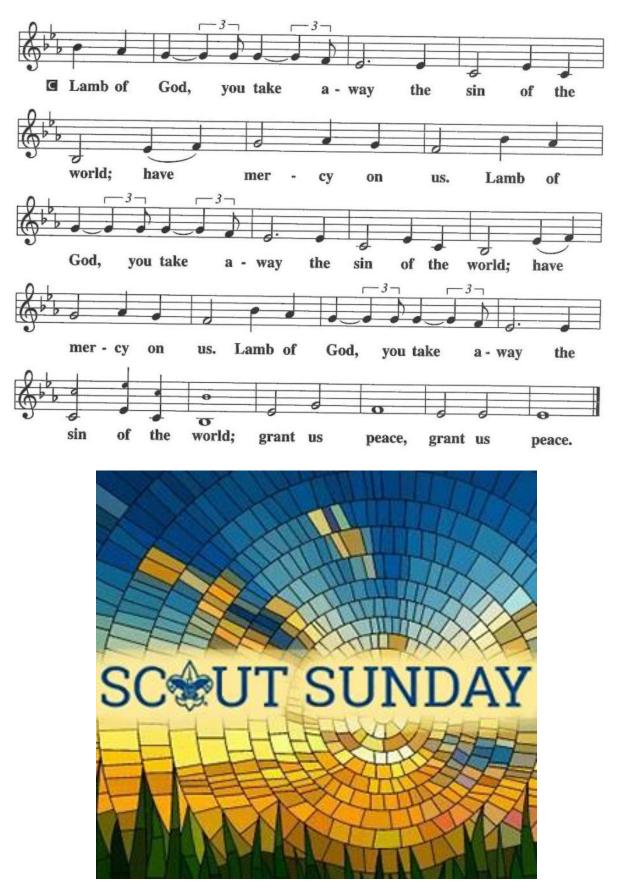
*All:* Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all Glory and Honor are Yours almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

#### The Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, they 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**

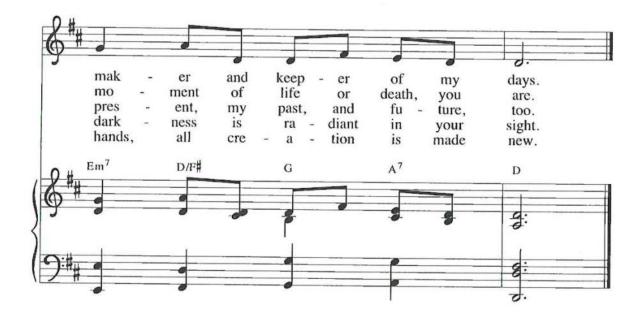
Pastor: The joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness.



#### **Communion Hymn**

#### "O God, You Search Me"

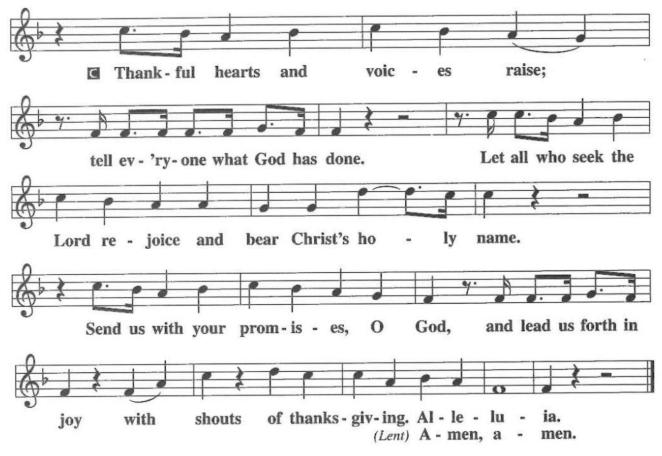




## **Post Communion Blessing**

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.All: Amen.

#### Post Communion Canticle "Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise" TFF Setting



## **Post Communion Prayer**

Pastor: Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

All: Amen.

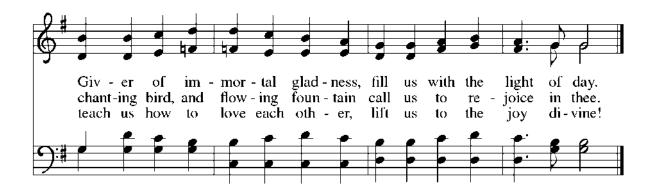
## Benediction

- Pastor: 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.
- All: Amen.

## **Closing Hymn**

## "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"





## Dismissal

Pastor: Go in peace. Share the love of God with all you meet.

All: Thanks be to God.

## Postlude