





# Welcome to worship at Spirit of Christ!

We are a member congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod. We gather here as the living body of Jesus Christ to be nourished and empowered by the Holy Spirit in what we call the "Means of Grace" — God's gifts of Word and Sacrament. Through these Means of Grace, we receive the promise of the Gospel: that in the Spirit of Christ God forgives us, remakes us, and reigns in us. May the Lord bless your worship today!

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October 15, 2023

Twentieth After Pentecost

## Welcome

### *Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise*

LSB 680

- 1 **Thine the amen thine the praise**  
Alleluias angels raise  
**Thine the everlasting head**  
Thine the breaking of the bread  
**Thine the glory thine the story**  
Thine the harvest then the cup  
**Thine the vineyard then the cup is lifted up lifted up.**
  
- 2 **Thine the life eternally**  
Thine the promise let there be  
**Thine the vision thine the tree**  
All the earth on bended knee  
**Gone the nailing gone the railing**  
Gone the pleading gone the cry  
**Gone the sighing gone the dying what was loss lifted high.**
  
- 3 **Thine the truly thine the yes**  
Thine the table we the guest  
**Thine the mercy all from thee**  
Thine the glory yet to be  
**Then the ringing and the singing**  
Then the end of all the war  
**Thine the living thine the loving evermore evermore.**
  
- 4 **Thine the kingdom thine the prize**  
Thine the wonder full surprise  
**Thine the banquet then the praise**  
Then the justice of thy ways  
**Thine the glory thine the story**  
Then the welcome to the least  
**Then the wonder all increasing at thy feast at thy feast.**

- 5 **Thine the glory in the night  
 No more dying only light  
 Thine the river thine the tree  
 Then the Lamb eternally  
 Then the holy holy holy  
 Celebration jubilee  
 Thine the splendor Thine the brightness only thee only thee.**

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

### Invocation

- P** We begin our worship in the name of the Father, of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

### Confession and Absolution

- P** In his letter to the Philippians, St. Paul calls on the community to live in trust instead of fear.  
**C** **“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.”**  
**P** Because our old nature wants to be in charge of life, it is incapable of living in that kind of trust in God.  
**C** **Like Adam and Eve in the garden, we believe that God is keeping what is truly good from us and that relying on him will leave us with less than we want and need.**  
**P** In Baptism, God has restored a relationship of trust by putting to death that old nature and re-creating us to rely on God for all our good. We pray that God will do that same work in us today and every day. Heavenly Father,  
**C** **Crucify our self-reliance, our anxiety, and our fear. Raise us to newness of life in which we look to you to provide for us in every circumstance. Settle us in your love and your care.**

*We take time in silence to confess our personal and communal sin before God, confident that we will receive forgiveness.*

- P** The work that God the Holy Spirit began in your baptism will continue. As St. Paul promises, “The God of peace will be with you,” and he will not only forgive but also transform. In the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Be confident that no circumstance you face is greater than he can work through. “And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”  
**C** **Amen! Thanks be to God!**

## Sharing of the Peace

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** We share Christ's peace with one another.

*The people greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3).*

## *This Is the Feast*

- C** **This is the feast of victory for our God.**  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.**  
**This is the feast of victory for our God.**  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
**Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.**  
**This is the feast of victory for our God.**  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
**Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:**  
**Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever.**  
**Amen.**  
**This is the feast of victory for our God.**  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
**For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.**  
**This is the feast of victory for our God.**  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

## Prayer of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Lord of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C** **Amen**

*Sit*

## First Reading

*Isaiah 25:1-9*

LORD, you are my God;

I will exalt you and praise your name,  
for in perfect faithfulness  
you have done wonderful things,  
things planned long ago.

<sup>2</sup> You have made the city a heap of rubble,

the fortified town a ruin,  
the foreigners' stronghold a city no more;  
it will never be rebuilt.

<sup>3</sup> Therefore strong peoples will honor you;  
cities of ruthless nations will revere you.

<sup>4</sup> You have been a refuge for the poor,  
a refuge for the needy in their distress,  
a shelter from the storm  
and a shade from the heat.

For the breath of the ruthless  
is like a storm driving against a wall  
<sup>5</sup> and like the heat of the desert.

You silence the uproar of foreigners;  
as heat is reduced by the shadow of a cloud,  
so the song of the ruthless is stilled.

<sup>6</sup> On this mountain the LORD Almighty will prepare  
a feast of rich food for all peoples,  
a banquet of aged wine—  
the best of meats and the finest of wines.

<sup>7</sup> On this mountain he will destroy  
the shroud that enfolds all peoples,  
the sheet that covers all nations;

<sup>8</sup> he will swallow up death forever.  
The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears  
from all faces;  
he will remove his people's disgrace  
from all the earth.

The LORD has spoken.

<sup>9</sup> In that day they will say,  
"Surely this is our God;  
we trusted in him, and he saved us.  
This is the LORD, we trusted in him;  
let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Second Reading

*Philippians 4:1-9*

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, dear friends!

<sup>2</sup> I plead with Euodia and I plead with Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. <sup>3</sup> Yes, and I ask you, my true companion, help these women since they have contended at my side in the cause of the gospel, along with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

<sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! <sup>5</sup> Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup> Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

<sup>8</sup> Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. <sup>9</sup> Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

### Alleluia and Verse

*LSB 205*

**C** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ,  
The Son of God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

### Holy Gospel

*Matthew 22:1-14*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the twenty-second chapter.

**C** Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus spoke to them again in parables, saying: <sup>2</sup>“The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son. <sup>3</sup>He sent his servants to those who had been invited to the banquet to tell them to come, but they refused to come.

<sup>4</sup>“Then he sent some more servants and said, ‘Tell those who have been invited that I have prepared my dinner: My oxen and fattened cattle have been butchered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding banquet.’

<sup>5</sup>“But they paid no attention and went off—one to his field, another to his business. <sup>6</sup>The rest seized his servants, mistreated them and killed them. <sup>7</sup>The king was enraged. He sent his army and destroyed those murderers and burned their city.

<sup>8</sup>“Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding banquet is ready, but those I invited did not deserve to come. <sup>9</sup>So go to the street corners and invite to the banquet anyone you find.’ <sup>10</sup>So the servants went out into the streets and gathered all the people they could find, the bad as well as the good, and the wedding hall was filled with guests.

<sup>11</sup>“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes. <sup>12</sup>He asked, ‘How did you get in here without wedding clothes, friend?’ The man was speechless.

<sup>13</sup>“Then the king told the attendants, ‘Tie him hand and foot, and throw him outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

<sup>14</sup>“For many are invited, but few are chosen.”

**P** This is the Gospel of our Lord.

**C** Praise to you, O Christ.

*Sit*

What is this bread? What is this bread?  
This bread we break, this life we take?  
He died to pay, for our release  
O taste and see, the Lord is peace.

What is this wine? What is this wine?  
The blood of Jesus shed for mine;  
The cup of grace, brings his embrace  
O taste and see, the Lord is King.

So who am I, that I should live  
And he should die, and me forgive.  
My God, my God, forsake me not.  
O taste and see, the Lord is free.

Yet is God here? His promise clear  
In mouth and soul, he makes us whole.  
Christ present here, in this his meal.  
O taste and see- the Lord is real.

Is this for me? Is this for me?  
I Am forgiven and set free!  
I do believe that I receive.  
His flesh and blood,  
O taste and see.

This is for you. This is for me.  
We are forgiven and set free!  
We do believe that we receive  
His flesh and blood, the Lord is good,  
O taste and see.

## Homily

*Stand*

## 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 catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

*Sit*

## **Prayers of the Church**

### **Presentation of the Offering**

*Stand*

### **Preface**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings you so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for your boundless love shown to us when you sent your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on him our sin, giving him into death that we might not die eternally. Because he is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and saying:

### **Sanctus**

*LSB 208*

**C** **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord!**

## **The Words of Our Lord**

# Lord's Prayer

## Agnus Dei

LSB 210

**C** O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

*Sit*

## Distribution

*We believe that as we partake of the bread and wine in Holy Communion, Jesus the Messiah is feeding us with his own true body and blood. In eating his body and drinking his blood we receive the promise that our sins are forgiven, and that we will therefore live eternally with God. We also believe that this eating and drinking is a confession of our faith. If you have been baptized into the Christian faith and if you share our understanding of Christ's Real Presence in this meal, you are welcome to receive Christ's body and blood for your benefit. If you do not confess the understanding of the Christian Faith as expressed by the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, you may still come to the altar to receive a blessing. Please fold your hands to indicate that you will not be receiving the sacrament.*

## *I Know That My Redeemer Lives*

LSB 461

- 1 I know that my Redeemer lives;  
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!  
He lives, he lives, who once was dead;  
He lives, my ever-living head.
- 2 He lives triumphant from the grave;  
He lives eternally to save;  
He lives all-glorious in the sky;  
He lives exalted there on high.
- 3 He lives to bless me with his love;  
He lives to plead for me above;  
He lives my hungry soul to feed;  
He lives to help in time of need.
- 4 He lives to grant me rich supply;  
He lives to guide me with his eye;

He lives to comfort me when faint;  
He lives to hear my soul's complaint.

- 5 He lives to silence all my fears;  
He lives to wipe away my tears;  
He lives to calm my troubled heart;  
He lives all blessings to impart.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;  
He lives and loves me to the end;  
He lives, and while he lives, I'll sing;  
He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath;  
He lives, and I shall conquer death;  
He lives my mansion to prepare;  
He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to his name!  
He lives, my Jesus, still the same;  
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:  
I know that my Redeemer lives!

*At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing*

LSB 633

- 1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing  
Praise to our victorious King,  
Who has washed us in the tide  
Flowing from his piercèd side.  
Alleluia!
- 2 Praise we him, whose love divine  
Gives his sacred blood for wine,  
Gives his body for the feast—  
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.  
Alleluia!
- 3 Where the paschal blood is poured,  
Death's dread angel sheathes the sword;  
Israel's hosts triumphant go  
Through the wave that drowns the foe.  
Alleluia!
- 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,  
Paschal victim, paschal bread;  
With sincerity and love  
Eat we manna from above.  
Alleluia!

5    **Mighty Victim from the sky,  
Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath you lie;  
You have conquered in the fight,  
You have brought us life and light.  
    Alleluia!**

6    **Now no more can death appall,  
Now no more the grave enthrall;  
You have opened paradise,  
And your saints in you shall rise.  
    Alleluia!**

7    **Easter triumph, Easter joy!  
This alone can sin destroy;  
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,  
Newborn souls in you to be.  
    Alleluia!**

8    **Father, who the crown shall give,  
Savior, by whose death we live,  
Spirit, guide through all our days:  
Three in One, Your name we praise.  
    Alleluia!**

*Christ, the Word of God Incarnate*

*LSB 540*

1    **Christ, the Word of God incarnate,  
    Lord and Son of Abraham;  
Christ, the radiance of the Father,  
    Perfect God, the great I AM;  
Christ, the light, you shine unvanquished,  
    Light and life you bring to all;  
Light our path with your own presence,  
    Grant us grace to heed your call.**

2    **Christ, the living bread from heaven,  
    Food for body, food for soul;  
Christ, the manna daily given,  
    Nourish, strengthen, make us whole.  
Feed us with the food of heaven,  
    Foretaste of the feast to be;  
Quench our thirst with living water  
    Springing up eternally.**

5    **Christ, the way that leads unfailing  
    To the Father's home on high,  
Christ, the truth that frees the captive,  
    Christ, the life that cannot die.**

Mediator to the Father,  
Sacrifice and great High Priest:  
Lead us to your heav'nly mansions,  
There to share your wedding feast.

- 6 Christ, the Alpha and Omega,  
Christ, the firstborn from the dead,  
Christ, the life and resurrection,  
Christ, the Church's glorious head:  
Praise and thanks and adoration  
And unending worship be  
To the Father and the Spirit  
And to you eternally.

*Stand*

### **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.

### *Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

*LSB 643*

- 1 Sent forth by God's blessing,  
Our true faith confessing,  
The people of God from his dwelling take leave.  
The Supper is ended.  
O now be extended  
The fruits of this service in all who believe.  
The seed of his teaching,  
Receptive souls reaching,  
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.  
His grace did invite us,  
His love shall unite us  
To work for God's kingdom and answer his call.
- 2 With praise and thanksgiving  
To God ever-living,  
The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.  
Our faith ever sharing,  
In love ever caring,  
Embracing his children of each tribe and race.  
With your feast you feed us,  
With your light now lead us;  
Unite us as one in this life that we share.  
Then may all the living

**With praise and thanksgiving  
Give honor to Christ and his name that we bear.**

**Announcements**

**Sending**

# Serving in worship today

October 15, 2023

## **Pastor:**

Jason Neel

## **Elder:**

Kevin Zimmerman

Wayne Chambard

## **Reader:**

Monica Lux

## **Usher:**

Sandy Elhardt

## **Acolyte**

Mariam Miller

## **In our prayers**

**Celebrating Birthdays:** Leo Green 10/15, Ted Mavetz 10/15, Laura Marquardt 10/18, and Ben Johnson 10/19.

**Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays:** Eli Voegele 10/16, Davis Bryan 10/16, Dalton Degler 10/18, Dyllon Degler 10/18, Laura Marquardt 10/18, and Jan Fuerst 10/19.

**Celebrating Anniversaries:** Carl and Carol Jauch 10/21.

## **This Week at a Glance**

|           |            |                           |
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| Today     | 8:00 a.m.  | Bible Study               |
|           | 9:00 a.m.  | Worship Service           |
|           | 10:30 a.m. | Sunday School             |
|           | 10:30 a.m. | Adult Bible Study         |
|           | 11:30 a.m. | Middle School Youth Group |
|           | 6:00 p.m.  | Sunday Night Bible Study  |
| Tuesday   | 7:00 p.m.  | Council Meeting           |
| Wednesday | 10:00 a.m. | Women's Coffee Group      |
|           | 12:15 p.m. | Congregational Prayer     |
|           | 7:00 p.m.  | Bell Choir                |
| Thursday  | 7:00 a.m.  | Men's Bible Study         |
|           | 7:00 p.m.  | Choir                     |
| Sunday    | 8:00 a.m.  | Bible Study               |
|           | 9:00 a.m.  | Worship Service           |
|           | 10:30 a.m. | Sunday School             |
|           | 10:30 a.m. | Adult Bible Study         |
|           | 6:00 p.m.  | Sunday Night Bible Study  |

## **Notes of Information:**

**Trustee Helpers Needed:** The board of trustees is looking for volunteers to help with seasonal projects such as snow removal and mowing as well as volunteers for the occasional project around the church. If you are willing to serve the congregation in this way please reach out to Gerry Anderson or Rick Welle.

**Save the Date:** The first ever Minnesota South District God First! Ministry Conference will be held at Concordia Academy in Roseville, MN on April 19-20, 2024. Pastor, parish professionals, educators, and lay people are all invited to experience the encouragement and inspiration of this two-day event. Break-out sessions will be led by individuals and congregations involved with ministries that can be replicated in your congregation and community and are focused on one or more of the Go First! areas of Life Together, Soul Care, Intentional Outreach, or Collaboration. For more information, please visit <https://www.mnsdistrict.org/go-first-initiative>

**Women's Ministry Soup in Jar Event:** Save the date of November 4<sup>th</sup> to make soup in a jar mix to be donated to NACE.

**Women's Coffee Group:** Wednesday Morning Coffee. Ladies of SOC please join us on October 18th at 10:00 am in the Fellowship for our SECOND meeting of the "Wednesday Morning Coffee Ladies". This month we will be making "Prayer Journals". Please join us for a little crafting or just for Coffee and good conversation. Any question contact Beth Gerard at 612-328-2324

**Notes for the Library:** *Grace Under Pressure: Responding Faithfully to Stress* Author: Christopher M. Kennedy Age: Adult  
Life can be hard! Circumstances press upon our sinful nature and push us over the edge. We express God-given feelings in ungodly ways. With God's help we can respond gracefully to life's stressful moments.  
Pastor Kennedy identifies the pressures and temptations we often feel today. Using scripture as well as Christ's seven last words from the cross he helps us find grace and strength for a Gospel-driven way to deal with our daily challenges. *Grace Under Pressure* is a scripture based, easy to read, and relatable guide that encourages us look to the cross, living our lives as a response to our Savior. Jesus sustains us with grace that propels us forward. Discussion questions at the end of each chapter can be used for individual study or group discussion.

**Notes from the Kitchen:** Thank you to all who helped clean the kitchen recently. Please label and date all items that are placed in the refrigerator and freezer. If items are not labeled, they will be thrown away. If you have borrowed a roaster recently, please return it to the kitchen. Beth Gerard has volunteered to serve as the kitchen coordinator. If you have questions or requests, please contact Beth at 612-328-2324.

**Reserving Church Space:** To keep the calendar as up to date as possible, it is important to let the office know when you are using church space for meetings, events and set up of events, so that they can be put onto the calendar. The calendar will be set using a first come, first served basis. The only exception to this policy is if a funeral is held. Please email the church office with your scheduling needs at [secretary@soclc.org](mailto:secretary@soclc.org).

**Nursery Staff and Greeters Needed:** We need volunteers to greet people at the door and provide hospitality prior to worship service and volunteers to staff the nursery during a part of worship service. If you are interested in serving in either of these roles, please reach out to Kevin Zimmerman. 0

**Trunk or Treat:** The youth will be hosting the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual SOC Trunk or Treat event on Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> from 4 PM to 6:00 PM. The youth need your help to make this event a success. We need volunteers to decorate their trunks and provide treats for our visitors. Other volunteer opportunities are an adult to supervise the bonfire and characters to perform scripted acts on the Reformation Trail. If you are interested in helping with this event, please reach out to Raelene Burmeister 763-229-4112

**NACE:** North Anoka County Emergency Food Shelf needs cereal and boxed side such as Mac and Cheese, Rice a Roni, potatoes, and pasta. They need clean lightly used winter coats. If you would like to donate, please bring items into the Narthex, and place them in the box. For more information reach out to Toni Peterson at 763-434-5665

**Thrivent Choice Dollars:** If you are eligible, you can specifically choose an organization, such as Spirit of Christ Lutheran Church. Choice Dollars designated during the calendar year can be directed until March 31 of the following year. To direct those dollars, log onto <http://www.thrivent.com>. Under **What We Offer**, choose the **Generosity** tab. Then choose **Choice Dollars**.

**Spirit of Christ Book Club:** Spirit of Christ Book Club will meet in the fellowship hall at 7 p.m. Dates and books are:

October 23 *Killers of the Flower Moon* by David Grann

November 27 *Kitchen House* by Kathleen Grissom

December The book club does not meet.

If you have any questions, please contact Joan Mager at 763-434-9652.

**Monthly 1% Mission Outreach:** As God's Stewards, we are called to serve. A great way to do this is to apply for the Monthly 1% Mission Outreach offering. Simply fill out a request form, state your outreach ministry, and how the funds will be used. Then return your request to the Stewardship Board. Some past activities have included homeless kits, backpacks for World Relief, diaper kits, shopping for food shelf items, and holiday baskets for families. Be creative! Our Lord will use the talents and gifts he has given you to bless others'.

**Nursery:** The nursery is open, and the sound is working. If you have a restless child, please feel free to use this space.

**Sermons and bulletins posted online:** Audio and video recordings of worship sermons and digital bulletins are posted weekly. Bulletins and past sermons can be found at **[www.spiritofchristhamlake.org](http://www.spiritofchristhamlake.org)**.

**Offerings via Give+:** Online giving is easy to do, one-time gifts and recurring donations are accepted. Visit the link at [soclc.org](http://soclc.org) to sign up or learn more.

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| Average Weekly Offering                                      | \$5904 |
| <i>Average offering needed per week to fulfill work plan</i> | \$6662 |

**Readings for next week:  
Isaiah 45:1-7, 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10, Matthew 22:15-20**

# FILL A BOWL, FILL A NEED

Free Will  
Donation

October 26th, 2023

5:30pm - 8:00pm

St. Patrick's Church  
19921 Nightingale St NW  
Oak Grove, MN

Hand Crafted Bowls with:

Soup - Chili - Mac & Cheese & desserts

Live & Silent Auctions

Raffle

Wine Pull

Designer Purse Sale

*Sponsored by  
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## EMPTY BOWLS

Fundraiser for N.A.C.E. Food Shelf



# TRUNK OR TREAT

Spirit of Christ Lutheran Church

Join us for Fun, Games & Prizes!

**OCT 28**

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