24th Sunday after Pentecost



Word and Sacrament

"Not Just Going to Church, but BEING the Church"
Saint Bartholomew Lutheran Church

November 8, 2026 11:00AM

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

Welcome to Worship!

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This morning, we celebrate **24th Sunday after Pentecost.** The lyrics to the hymns are in the hymnals in the pews. We extend special greetings to all our guests who are with us today. Your presence, along with our members and friends, is truly valued. Know that all of God's people are always welcome here at St. Bartholomew.

Holy Communion

Saint Bart's celebrates the real presence of Jesus through the bread and wine. We invite all to come and share. At the time of communion, you will come up to the altar and receive communion. Pastor will come to you if you choose to remain in the pew.

Praying People

Everyone is invited to offer their prayer concerns during the Prayers of the Church.

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Today the prophet Amos calls for justice to roll down like waters. Paul urges us to encourage one another with the promised coming of the Lord. Jesus tells the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids. Surrounded by the faithful of every time and place, we celebrate Christ's coming in our midst in the word of life and the feast of victory—the marriage feast of the Lamb.

Announcements

Pastor Nate is Preaching!

Spanish Service- Wednesdays at 7pm

English Class- Wednesdays at 6pm

Enid's Pantry will be open Saturday November 14th @ 10am

Spanish Service Saturday, November 14th at 9am**.**

Friendsgiving – November 17th @ 6PM

Turkey Drive – November 21st @ 10AM

New Members Ceremony November 22nd

Bible Study @ 9:45AM

Advent Begins November 29th

We can use any food or monetary donations to help our community in need.

Are there any other announcements?

Bell/Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Confession & Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, our dwelling place for all generations, whose compassion never slumbers.

C Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Holy God,

C We confess that we have trusted in our preparation instead of your invitation. We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved. We trust the voice of our shame and fear, which keeps us from entering fully into relationship with you and others. We are not awake to the coming of your reign. Rouse us and rescue us, that we may enter into your joy. Amen.

P Inherit the riches of God's grace. ☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy. You are forgiven. Blessed are you.

C Amen.

Gathering Hymn: ELW 441

Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand



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APOSTOLIC GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you

Kyrie



Canticle of Praise *(led by Damaris Allen)*

//Celebrad a Cristo, celebrad
Celebrad a Cristo celebrad//

Cristo vive, Cristo vive
Y por siempre reinará
Cristo vive, Cristo vive

Vamos a celebrar (eco)
Vamos a celebrar (eco)
Vamos a celebrar
Que el Señor resucitó

//Celebrate Jesus celebrate
Celebrate Jesus celebrate//

He is risen, he is risen
And he reigns forevermore
He is risen, he is risen

Come on a celebrate
Come on a celebrate
Come on and celebrate
The resurrection of our Lord

Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen**

WORD

A I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth (Psalm 34:1). Lord, bless the reading of your word. Make it come alive in our midst.

C **Amen.**

First Reading: Amos 5:18-24

Woe to you who desire the day of the Lord! Why do you want the day of the Lord? It is darkness, not light, as if someone fled from a lion and was met by a bear or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall and was bitten by a snake. Is not the day of the Lord darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it?

I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them, and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon.

Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. But let justice roll down like water and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

A Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God**.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 70

A Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; O Lord, make haste to help me.

C **Let those who seek my life be put to shame and confounded; let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and be disgraced.**

A Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back because of their shame.

C **Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; let those who love your salvation say forever, "Great is the Lord!"**

A But as for me, I am poor and needy; come to me quickly, O God. You are my helper and my deliverer; O Lord, do not tarry.

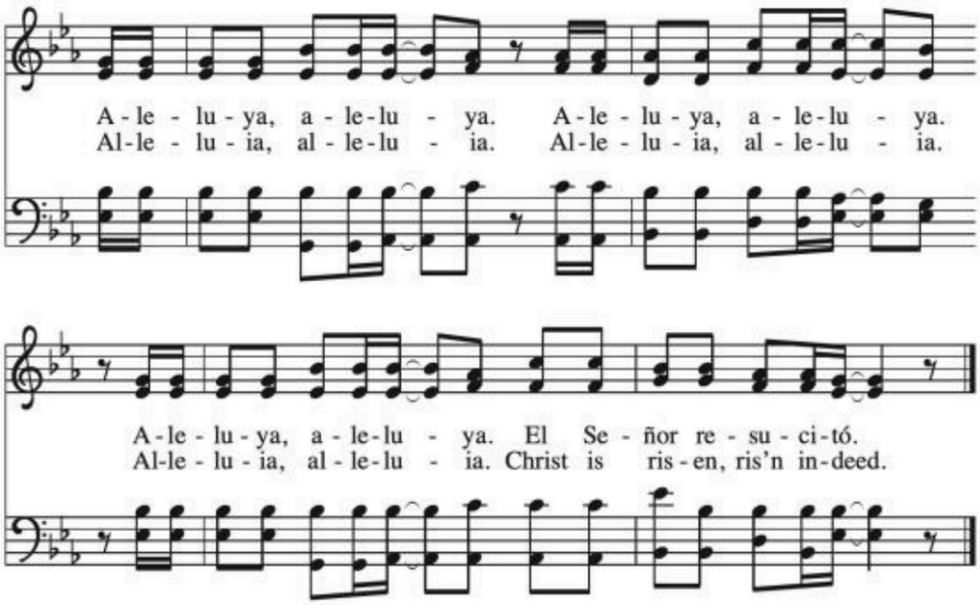
Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

A Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation



P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 25th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus said to the disciples: "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten young women took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those young women got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet, and the door was shut. Later the other young women came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

P The Gospel of the Lord **C Praise to you O Christ**

SERMON : Pastor Nate Allen

Hymn of the Day: ***(led by Damaris Allen)***

“La bondad de Dios”

Te amo Dios
Tu amor nunca me falla
Mi existir, en tus manos está
Desde el momento que despierto
Hasta el anochecer
Yo cantaré, de la bondad de Dios

Coro:
En mi vida has sido bueno
En mi vida has sido tan, tan fiel
Con mi ser, con cada aliento
Yo cantaré de la bondad de Dios

Yo amo tu voz
Me has guiado por el fuego
Tú cerca estás, en la oscuridad
Te conozco como Padre
Y como amigo fiel
Mi vida está, en la bondad de Dios

Puente:
Tu fidelidad sigue, persiguiéndome
Tu fidelidad sigue, persiguiéndome
Todo lo que soy
Te lo entrego hoy
A ti me rendiré
Tu fidelidad sigue, persiguiéndome

"The goodness of God"

I love You, Lord
Oh, Your mercy never failed me
And all my days, I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God
Chorus:
All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God
I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night You are close like no other
I've known You as a Father
I've known You as a Friend
Oh, I have lived in the goodness of God, oh-oh-oh
Bridge:
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me
With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now
I give You everything
'Cause Your goodness is running after, it's running after me

PEACE
P The peace of Christ be with you always.
C And also with you.

APOSTLE'S 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.

PRAYERS

Each petition ends:

A God, in your mercy, C **Hear our prayer**

United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

You illumine the church with the hope of your new day. Prepare our hearts and minds for the inbreaking of your kingdom, that we might awaken to your transforming love at work all around us. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You create and sustain the earth's natural rhythms so that all life might thrive. Show us the wisdom and wonder of nature's balance; make us careful stewards of our common home. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You make justice roll down in all places and among all nations. Encourage all who protect vulnerable communities and help rebuild in the aftermath of conflict. Uphold veterans and those who care for them. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You hasten to heal our wounds and make whole what is broken. Comfort individuals facing a difficult diagnosis, receiving palliative care, or facing uncertain treatment options. *We pray especially for Selina, Jayden, Milton, Mary Ellen, Benny, Diego, Kaiden, Shirley, Nick, Bob, Justin, Billy, Rosemary, Edy, and Rich*.. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You give rest to weary hearts and bodies. As the days grow shorter in the north, help us to move more slowly and intentionally through our days, honoring the need for quiet and stillness. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for our partner churches: Abiding Presence and Prince of Peace; we pray for our Bishop Christa Compton. We also pray for the concerns of this congregation: those who travel, those absent from worship, those celebrating birthdays; and for those celebrating anniversaries; also for the people of God in this place and for other needs in our community. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

At this time, you may offer up prayers for loved ones, thanksgivings to God, or any other intercessions silently or aloud... ***(Pause)*** God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You welcome those who have come before us in faith into the joys of heaven. Sustain us by your grace and guide us into the promise of everlasting life. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

(PASTOR) Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.
Amen.

THE OFFERING

Online offering: https://www.stbartlutheran.net/donate

OFFERING PRAYER

P 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.

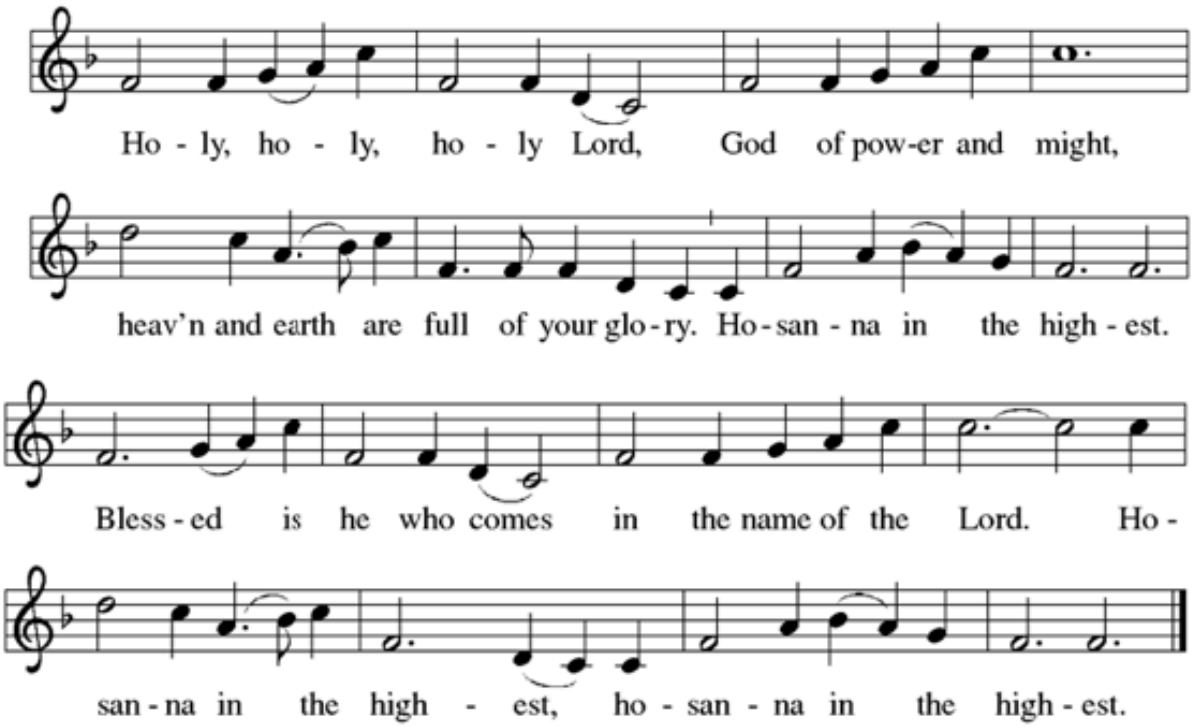
C Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 thanks and praise.

PREFACE

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy that we should always sing of your glory, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.
For you are the hope of the nations, the builder of the city that is to come.
Your love made visible in Jesus Christ brings home the lost, restores the sinner and gives dignity to the despised.
In his face your light shines out, flooding lives with goodness and truth, gathering into one in your Kingdom a divided and broken humanity.
Therefore with all who can give voice in your creation we glorify your name, forever praising you and singing:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P Blessed are you, O God, creator of heaven and earth. You rescued your covenant people, led them on all their journeys, and taught them by the prophets. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

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.

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

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit in this meal, and make us one in this community of faith and with your people throughout the world.

Glory and praise to you, O God, Author of life, Word made flesh, Power of the Most High, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C 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 kingdom, the power, and the glory, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation

P In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in.
Come, receive what Christ has prepared.

Distribution

Blessing

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in his grace

C **Amen.**

Post Communion Blessing

P 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.

C Amen

+Sending+

Benediction

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

C Amen.

Sending Hymn ELW # 439
Soon and Very Soon (in red Hymnal)

Dismissal.

A Go in peace. Encourage one another.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude