TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Nov. 8th, Anno Domini (The Year of Our LORD) 2026

✢ Preparation ✢

Welcome and Connection Cards

Stand

Opening Hymn - Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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

P In the Name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Our help is in the Name of the LORD,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O LORD, kept a record of sins, O LORD, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our LORD Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

✢ Service of the Word ✢

Introit *Psalm 84:1, 9–12; antiphon: v. 3*

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.
How lovely is your dwelling place,
O LORD of hosts!
Behold our shield, O God;
look on the face of your anointed!

First Reading — Amos 5: 18 o- 24

L This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm — *Psalm 70; antiphon: v. 4*

[1]Make haste, O God, to deliver me!
O LORD, make haste to help me!
[2]Let them be put to shame and confusion
who seek my life!
Let them be turned back and brought to dishonor
who desire my hurt!
[3]Let them turn back because of their shame
who say, "Aha, Aha!"

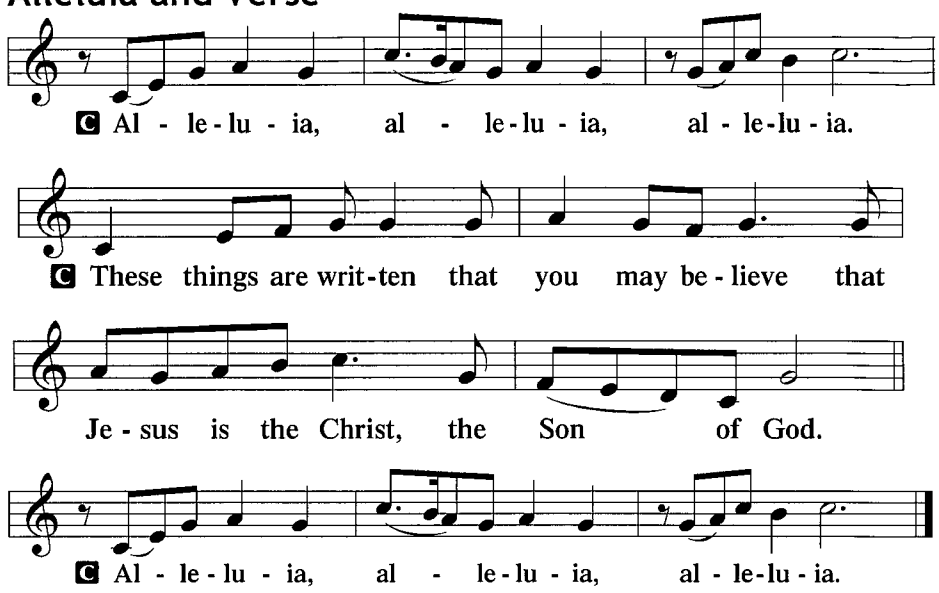
[4]May all who seek you
Rejoice and be glad in you!
May those who love your salvation
Say evermore, "God is great!"
[5]But I am poor and needy;
hasten to me, O God!
You are my help and my deliverer;
O LORD, do not delay!

Epistle Reading — *1 Thessalonians 4: 13 - 18*

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Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.
C **Glory to You, O LORD.**

P This is the Gospel of the LORD.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

O LORD, do not delay O LORD, do not delay!

Nicene Creed

All: I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one LORD Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,

Announcements

Stand

Children are invited to come forward and assist in leading the Closing Song with percussion instruments.

Closing Hymn - Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer