

St. Luke Lutheran Church
23rd Sunday after Pentecost
November 16, 2025
10:45 a.m. Contemporary



**Sing a new song
to the Lord**

SERMON

Pastor Johnson

A new song

"For I will give you words
and a wisdom."

—Luke 21:15a

Welcome to
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Welcome!

In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome both members and guests to His church. We are present this day to worship Him. In this service we thank and honor our Lord for His many blessings and seek His guidance and comfort for each day of life.

- ❖ Be **reverent** and **thoughtful** in this Holy place.
- ❖ **Before** the service, speak with God.
- ❖ **During** the service, let God speak to you.
- ❖ **After** the service, speak to one another.

As We Gather: We begin our worship today praising the lamb of God who has taken away the sins of the world. For this saving work, Christ is truly worthy of praise, adoration, thanks and honor. He is truly worthy of our worship because of who He is and what He has done for us. Now we shall hear again the great story of salvation that was won for us by the Lamb of God. Rejoice! For the lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia!

Holy Communion is celebrated at each Worship Service.

The Lord's Supper is a gift from our Savior in which He offers us Himself and His forgiveness. Those who partake witness of their love for Him and their faith and fellowship for each other. If you have confessed your sins and if you have been properly instructed regarding the Lord's Supper and believe in the presence of Christ in the form of bread and wine, which are the body and blood of Christ, please join us for the celebration of Holy Communion.

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE **Traditional Worship with Holy Communion**

8:15am & 10:45am w/ Sunday School

Contemporary Band plays Sundays two times/month (check online calendar)

Sundays at 10:45 AM

BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE

Sunday morning between services at 9:30 AM

Wednesday Mornings online at 10:00 AM

The **C.A.R.E Team** encourages *anyone experiencing illness or a challenging situation in their life to reach out to us for support. Support can consist of emotional/spiritual support, meals, transportation, help with errands or chores, and other areas as they are identified. Contact via **Hotline: (631) 600-0271** Or email careteam@stlukedixhills.org Coordinators: Trish Klare & Amanda Fenty*

Mission Statement

To know Christ and make him known by Serving, Teaching, and Loving.

PRE-SERVICE
“Mighty to Save ”

PASTORAL GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM: Psalm 98
(Spoken Responsively)

¹ Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done marvelous things,
whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.

² **O LORD, you have made known your victory,**
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.

³ You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel;
all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

⁴ **Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands;**
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

⁵ Sing to the LORD with the harp,
with the harp and the voice of song.

⁶ **With trumpets and the sound of the horn**
shout with joy before the king, the LORD.

⁷ Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,
the world and those who dwell therein.

⁸ **Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the**
LORD, who comes to judge the earth.

⁹ The LORD will judge the world with righteousness
and the peoples with equity.

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

SUNDAY SCHOOL SONG

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SUNDAY SCHOOL DISMISSAL

OPENING SONG
Come, Now is the Time to Worship

Come, now is the time to worship
Come, now is the time to give your heart
Come, just as you are to worship
Come, just as you are before your God, Come

One Day every tongue will confess you are God
One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains for those
Who gladly choose you now

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OPENING PRAYER

SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

⁶ Now we command you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from every brother or sister living irresponsibly and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷ For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not irresponsible when we were with you, ⁸ and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹ This was not because we do not have that right but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹ For we hear that some of you are living irresponsibly, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹² Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 21st chapter.
People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: Luke 21:5-19

⁵ When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, ⁶ “As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.”

⁷ They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” ⁸ And he said, “Beware that you are not led astray, for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them.

⁹ “When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.” ¹⁰ Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹ there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

¹² “But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³ This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴ So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, ¹⁵ for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷ You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your souls.”

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sit

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APOSTLES' CREED

**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.**

**Or, to the dead.
**meaning, universal*

SERMON SONG You Never Let Go

Verse 1:

**Even though I walk
through the valley of the shadow of death,
Your perfect love is casting out fear.
And even when I'm caught
in the middle of the storms of this life,
I won't turn back, I know You are near.**

Pre-Chorus:

**And I will fear no evil,
For my God is with me.
And if my God is with me,
Whom then shall I fear?
Whom then shall I fear?**

Chorus:

Oh no, You never let go,
Through the calm and through the storm
Oh no, You never let go,
In every high and every low
O no, You never let go
Lord, You never let go of me.

Verse 2:

And I can see a light
that is coming for the heart that holds on
A glorious light beyond all compare.
And there will be an end
to these troubles, But until that day comes,
We'll live to know You here on the earth.

Pre-Chorus

Chorus 2X

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each petition ends with "Hear us, O God,"
The response is "**Your mercy is great.**"

Pastor: We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace
and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
People: **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

*We greet one another in the name of the Lord.
Please do so with a wave, handshake, or however you feel comfortable.
Hand sanitizer is available in the sanctuary.
Ask an usher if you don't see one.*

OFFERING SONG
Goodness, Love, and Mercy

Verse

Oh Lord, You're my Shepherd
You make me lie in fields of green
You lead me by the still waters
You restore righteousness to me
Though I walk through the valley
I will fear no evil thing
For You are with me, God
And You comfort me

Chorus

Surely goodness, love and mercy will follow wherever I go
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Verse

Chorus

Chorus

OFFERTORY PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

People: **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 the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **And also with you.**

HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONGS

Word of God Speak

Verse 1

I'm finding myself at a loss for words
And the funny thing is it's okay
The last thing I need is to be heard
But to hear what You would say

Chorus

Word of God speak
Would You pour down like rain
Washing my eyes to see Your majesty
To be still and know
That You're in this place
Please let me stay and rest
In Your holiness
(Word of God speak)

Verse 2

I'm finding myself in the midst of You
Beyond the music beyond the noise
All that I need is to be with You
And in the quiet hear Your voice... Chorus

Ending

I'm finding myself at a loss for words
And the funny thing is it's okay

The Revelation Song

Verse 1:

Worthy is the, Lamb who was slain
Holy, Holy, is He
Sing a new song, to Him who sits on
Heaven's mercy seat

Chorus:

Holy, Holy, Holy
Is the Lord God Almighty
Who was, and is, and is to come
With all creation I sing
Praise to the King of Kings
You are my everything
And I will adore You

Verse 2:

Clothed in rainbows, of living color
Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder
Blessing and honor, strength and glory and power be
To You the only wise King... Chorus

Verse 3:

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder
At the mention of your name
Jesus your name is power
Breath and living water
Such a marvelous mystery... Chorus

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Deacon: Let us pray. Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

BLESSING

Deacon: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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.

People: Amen.

MINISTRY NEWS

CLOSING SONG

Dry Bones

CHORUS

Gonna make these dry bones walk.
Gonna make these dry bones walk.
God has decided, now I'll do more than talk.
God has made these dry bones walk.

VERSE 1

Gonna be the salt where the world is bland.
Gonna be the thought when the world won't understand
Gonna be the light where the world is dark.
Gonna fight the fight and leave a mark. CHORUS

VERSE 2

Gonna be the food when the world needs bread.
Gonna be the life where the world would be dead.
Gonna be the water in a world that would thirst.
The first shall be last and the last shall be first. CHORUS

VERSE 3

Gonna be the hope when the world's in despair.
At the end of our rope, God will be there.
Gonna be the spark when the world needs a start.
Gonna write his new law in the flesh of our hearts. CHORUS

VERSE 4

Gonna be the way when the world is lost.
Gonna calm the waves when the world is tossed.
Gonna be the yeast when the world needs leaven.
Prepare the feast for the kingdom in Heaven. CHORUS

A SENDING WORD

Deacon: Go in peace. Share the harvest.
People: Thanks be to God.

TODAY SUNDAY NOVEMBER 16.
Stop by and support the Bake Sale Fundraiser!

Kierin's **BAKE SALE** FUNDRAISER

Sunday November 16th
Between & after Services at Coffee Hour

Delicious homemade treats:

Cupcakes | Cookies | Brownies & More!

*All proceeds will go toward helping a few
families in need this Holiday Season.*

