Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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ORDER OF SERVICE **Setting # 3**

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

Prelude Organ

Welcome and Worship Notes

Announcements

*Confession and Forgiveness (*left side)* pp. 94-96

*Sharing of the Peace

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you always.

Response: **And also with you.**

GATHERING

*Gathering Hymn, **ELW No. 890** ***Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory***

*Apostolic Greeting p.138

**Kyrie* pp.138-139

*Hymn of Praise, ***"Glory to God…"*** pp.139-140

*Prayer of the Day

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

7 Be silent before the Lord GOD, for the day of the LORD is at hand!
The LORD has prepared a sacrifice; he has consecrated his guests.

12 At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people
who settle like dregs in wine, those who say in their hearts, "The LORD will not
do good, nor will he do harm." 13 Their wealth shall be plundered and their
houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them;
though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. 14 The great
day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the
LORD is bitter; the warrior cries aloud there. 15 That day will be a day of wrath,
a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness
and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, 16 a day of trumpet blast and
battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. 17 I will
bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they
have sinned against the LORD, their blood shall be poured out like dust and their

flesh like dung. [18] Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the LORD's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed, for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Psalm 90:1-8, 12

(Read responsively, by whole verse)

[1] Lord, you have been our refuge
from one generation to another.
[2] **Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land**
and the earth were born,
from age to age you are God.
[3] You turn us back to the dust and say,
"Turn back, O children of earth."
[4] **For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday**
when it is past
and like a watch in the night;
[5] you sweep them away like a dream,
they fade away suddenly like the grass:
[6] **in the morning it is green and flourishes;**
in the evening it is dried up and withered.
[7] For we are consumed by your anger;
we are afraid because of your wrath.
[8] **Our iniquities you have set before you,**
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.
[12] So teach us to number our days
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

[1] Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. [2] For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. [3] When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! [4] But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; [5] for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. [6] So, then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober, [7] for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are

drunk get drunk at night. [8] But since we belong to the day, let us be sober and put on the breastplate of faith and love and for a helmet the hope of salvation. [9] For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, [10] who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. [11] Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Choral Anthem — Chancel Choir
"Make Us O(ne with You" — words and music by Mary McDonald

*Gospel Acclamation p.142a
*Gospel Announced *"The holy gospel...."* p.143
Response: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Gospel Matthew 25:14-30

[Jesus said to the disciples:] [14] "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; [15] to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. At once [16] the one who had received the five talents went off and traded with them and made five more talents. [17] In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. [18] But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. [19] After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. [20] Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' [21] His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' [22] And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' [23] His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' [24] Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow and gathering where you did not scatter, [25] so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' [26] But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow and gather where I did not scatter? [27] Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own

with interest. [28] So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. [29] For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance, but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. [30] As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' "

*Gospel Proclamation "*The gospel of the Lord"*
Response: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon "*You Only Get So Many Days"*
Pastor Emily Martin

*Sermon Hymn, **ELW No. 678** ***God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending***

THE LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Apostles' Creed p.105

*Prayer Litany, **ELW No. 752** **Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying**

*Prayers of Intercession
Pastor: "God, in your mercy,"
*Response: "***hear our prayer."**

*Great Thanksgiving p. 144
*Words of Institution **"In the night..."**
*Our Lord's Prayer p. 145

Distribution of Holy Communion

*Communion ***"Lamb of God"*** p.146

*Post Communion Prayer

*Benediction

*Dismissal:
P: Go in peace. Encourage one another.
C: Thanks be to God, and we will.

SENDING

*Sending Hymn, **ELW No. 441** ***Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand***

Postlude Organ

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday	9:00	Holy Communion
		Food Pantry
	10:00	Fellowship Coffee Hour
	10:15	Sunday School
	5:00	Thanksgiving Meal @ Luther Memorial (Lykke Center)
	No	Alpha Course @ Luther Memorial (Lykke Center)
Monday		**Church Office Closed**
Tuesday	7:00	UP Ecumenical Mass Choir Rehearsal @ Prince of Peace
Wednesday	10:30	Stitchers
	5:30	Family Dinner
	6:30	Choir
	6:30-7:30	Confirmation Class @ Grand View Lutheran
Saturday	5:00	Holy Communion
		Christ the King Saturday
Sunday	9:00	Holy Communion
		Christ the King Sunday
	10:00	Fellowship Coffee Hour
	10:15	Sunday School
	6:00-8:00	Alpha Course @ Luther Memorial (Lykke Center)

Worship Leaders

Emily Martin	Pastor
Davis Robe	Chancel Choir Director
Brynn Fuller	Chancel Choir Student Director
Sawyer Shiffler	Organist
Brian Kinnan	Video Producer
Bev Claxton	Usher
Shae Fuller	Acolyte
Olivia Hilton	Lector
Stephanie Fuller & Todd Jacobus	Communion Assistants

Attendance (in person): Saturday – 9 Sunday – 44
(online) Sunday – 86

ALTAR FLOWERS – are given to the Glory of God in celebration of Jessica Johnson's birthday this Pentecost season by Jackie Johnson. Open sponsor date is: (December 20th). Opportunities are available for 2026 see chart by elevator.

COMMUNION ELEMENTS - are given to the Glory of God this Pentecost season. Open sponsor dates are: (November 22nd and 29th). Opportunities are available in 2026 see chart by elevator.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Don Belcher, Janet Belcher, Joanne Burgess, Brian Dugan, Marilyn Erickson, Kris Ewing, Cynthia Hayes, Jim Hoffman, Virginia Jacobson, Jackie Johnson, Steve Renzi.

CALLED HOME PAUL SPONG – our brother in Christ (Paul Spong) passed away on Tuesday October 27th. Visitation was from 1:00 to 2:00 pm on Friday November 13th; and Service was at 2:00 pm Friday November 13th both being held at Central Presbyterian Church located at 3829 Grand Avenue in Des Moines, Iowa. Please keep in your prayers; Barbara (wife); daughters Juile Spong, son Quinn O'Meara of Des Moines, Iowa; Melinda Spong, son London and daughter Avery of Cincinnati, Ohio; sister Kay (the late Leon) Linquist of Kalispell, Montana; and may loving nieces and nephews and their families; along with Paul's extended family and friends during this time of loss.

CALLED HOME SUSAN NORDHOLM – our sister in Christ (Susan Nordholm) passed away on Sunday November 1st. Visitation was on Saturday November 14th from 10:00 am to 11:00 am; and Service was at 11:00 am both being held at Grand View Lutheran located at 2930 East 13th in Des Moines, Iowa. Please keep in your prayers; Karen (sister); a host of cousins; along with Susan's extended family and friends during this time of loss.

PRAYER REQUEST CARDS – you will find blank Prayer Request cards in the Narthex on the rectangular table. Please complete both sides of the card; prayer requests put on back of the card. You may leave them in Pastor Emily box outside the Church Office.

EMERGENCY PASTORAL CARE - to reach Pastor Emily send an e-mail to emartin@gvlc.org or contact the Church Office at (515) 266-8074, you can leave a message on the Church Office phone.

SNOW REMOVAL SPONSORSHIP – you can designate contributions to the Mowing or Snow removal fund for future usage.

DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS - the next quarterly devotional booklets (October thru December 2026) are available in the Narthex. The Word In Season (Regular print only); Christ In Our Home (Regular and Large print).

FELLOWSHIP COFFEE HOUR – you will find sign-up sheets located on bulletin board outside kitchen area of the Fellowship Hall. Open Host Dates: November 2026 thru February 2027.

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FAMILY DINNERS – meet each **Wednesday** at **5:30 pm**. The suggested price is **$4.00** per person or **$10.00** for families. Menu: **Beef Stew.**

ALPHA COURSE – continue meeting **Sunday evenings thru December 6th from 6:00–8:00 p.m. in the Lykke Center at Luther Memorial Church;** a nine-week opportunity to explore faith, ask questions, meet new people, and have conversations that matter. Each week will include a meal together, a teaching, and time for conversation around the table.

CONFIRMATION CLASS – meet on **Wednesdays** from **6:30-7:30 pm** at **Grand View Lutheran Church**. Please let Pastor Emily know if you have children or grandchildren who would be of age so she can reach out to their family; questions please direct them to Pastor Emily at emartin@gvlc.org.

THIS WEEKEND - is Food Pantry Weekend. Please use the Food Pantry envelopes in the pew racks to make a financial contribution toward this vital ministry.

THANKSGIVING MEAL TODAY – you are cordially invited to Luther Memorial Thanksgiving Dinner at **5:00 pm**. You are requested to bring a side dish or dessert for the dinner. Turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn casserole, bean casserole, rolls, butter and drinks will be provided.

DRAKE UNIVERSITY MUSIC DEPARTMENT – presents Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart "Requiem"; Josh Boggs, Conductor on **Thursday November 19th** at **7:30 pm**. Plymouth Church located at 4126 Ingersoll Avenue in Des Moines. Free will donation.

ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE - Prince of Peace is hosting the Thanksgiving Ecumenical Worship service on **Tuesday November 24th** at **7:00 pm**. A special joint choir rehearsal will be held there on **Tuesday November 17th** at **7:00 pm**. Following the in-person service a time of fellowship will be held in their Fellowship Hall. The offering received will be designated to the Parks Community Thanksgiving Dinner.

We are thankful to be able to again join our brothers and sister of faith in this special service. Participating congregations are: Central Community of Christ; Grand View Lutheran; Luther Memorial; Prince of Peace Lutheran; and Union Park Presbyterian. Plan to join us for this worship service.

NEXT WEEKEND – we will observe Christ the King; this marks the end of the Christian church year.

CHRISTMAS CRAFTS AND SWEETS - plans have been made for **Sunday December 6th** following worship in the Fellowship Hall to have a pancake brunch. Free-will offering for pancake brunch. Also, if you would like to set up Crafts and Sweets on that day on the west end banquet tables you may bring items for sale. We request you have them priced for the sale.