PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 15, 2026 **9:00 a.m.**

WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

Announcements, Silent Meditation, Personal Confession

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We Bring Our Gifts

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*Prayer of the Day
Let us Pray
Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHOIR **"Seek and You Shall Find"** Arr. By Barbara Boertje

THE WORD OF GOD

1st READING Zephaniah 1:12-16

12 At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps and punish those who are complacent, who are like
wine left on its dregs, who think, 'The Lord will do nothing, either good or bad.' 13 Their wealth will be
plundered, their houses demolished. Though they build houses, they will not live in them; though they
plant vineyards, they will not drink the wine." 14 The great day of the Lord is near— near and coming
quickly. The cry on the day of the Lord is bitter; the Mighty Warrior shouts his battle cry. 15 That day
will be a day of wrath— a day of distress and anguish, a day of trouble and ruin, a day of darkness and
gloom, a day of clouds and blackness—16a day of trumpet and battle cry against the fortified cities and
against the corner towers.
The Word of the Lord…..**Thanks Be To God**

PSALM 90:1-12

1 Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.
2 Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the whole world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
3 You turn people back to dust, saying, "Return to dust, you mortals."
4 A thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by, or like a watch in the night.
5 Yet you sweep people away in the sleep of death— they are like the new grass of the morning:
6 In the morning it springs up new, but by evening it is dry and withered.
7 We are consumed by your anger and terrified by your indignation.
8 You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence.
9 All our days pass away under your wrath; we finish our years with a moan.
10 Our days may come to seventy years, or eighty, if our strength endures;
yet the best of them are but trouble and sorrow, for they quickly pass, and we fly away.

11 If only we knew the power of your anger! Your wrath is as great as the fear that is your due.
12 Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

2nd READING 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

[1]Now, brothers and sisters, about times and dates we do not need to write to you, **2** for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. **3** While people are saying, "Peace and safety," destruction will come on them suddenly, as labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. **4** But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness so that this day should surprise you like a thief. **5** You are all children of the light and children of the day. We do not belong to the night or to the darkness. **6** So then, let us not be like others, who are asleep, but let us be awake and sober. **7** For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, get drunk at night. **8** But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet. **9** For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. **10** He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. **11** Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.
The Word of the Lord…..**Thanks Be To God**

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The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, Chapter 25
Glory to you, O Lord.

***THE GOSPEL** Matthew 25:14-30

14 "Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them. **15** To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to another one bag, each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. **16** The man who had received five bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained five bags more. **17** So also, the one with two bags of gold gained two more. **18** But the man who had received one bag went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. **19** "After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. **20** The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more.' **21** "His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!' **22** "The man with two bags of gold also came. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with two bags of gold; see, I have gained two more.' **23** "His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!' **24** "Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. 'Master,' he said, 'I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. **25** So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.' **26** "His master replied, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? **27** Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest. **28** "'So take the bag of gold from him and give it to the one who has ten bags. **29** For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them. **30** And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

The gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ.

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION TESTIMONY:
Brooks Bolich

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Pr. Andrew Young
SERMON **"What are you doing with the Master's talents?"**

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF THE LORD

*Hymn of the Day *"When the Saints Go Marching In"*

O, when the saints go marching in, O, when the saints go marching in.
Lord, I want to be in that number when the saints go marching in.

O when the sun refused to shine, O when the sun refused to shine,
Lord, I want to be in that number when the sun refused to shine.

O when they gather 'round the throne, O when they gather 'round the throne,
Lord, I want to be in that number when they gather 'round the throne.

O when they crown Him Lord of all, O when they crown Him Lord of all,
Lord, I want to be in that number when they crown Him Lord of all.

And on that hallelujah day, and on that hallelujah day,
Lord, I want to be in that number on that hallelujah day.

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Communion

All who believe in the words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins" are welcome to come to the Lord's table. Grape juice is on outside rim of serving tray. All bread is gluten free.

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WE GO AND WORK IN THE LORD'S KINGDOM

Ministers: All who believe Pastor: Andrew Young

Piano:	Jackie Currey
Acolyte:	Remmy Swenson
Greeters/Ushers:	Bill Barber/Zach Rogers-Sherman
Refreshments:	Debby Young & Peace Lutheran Church
Reader:	Tiina Smith
Flowers:	Lori Lanzendorf & Khristy Barber
Council:	Tiina Smith/Adam Byrd/Megan Paulson
Altar Guild:	Julie Hanson/Char Somers/Donna Mellinger

Prayers for Healing and Hope

Kelsey's Uncle, Sherman Falkhagan, hospitalized in Billings.
Joe Sutton continues to recover from lung surgery. He remains in ICU. Please pray for improvement in kidney function, which will help his overall recovery.
Linda Miller's 10-year-old great niece Ava has been diagnosed with a rare cancer. Prayers for the family and the medical team treating her.
Continued prayers for strength and health restoration for Vickie Streich
Jen Andres continues with cancer treatment. Pray for strength for her whole family!
Dee Feddes's friend Megan continues her battle with ALS.
Jodi Robbins continuing her cancer treatment; prayers appreciated.
Erin Waynes parents Bob & Judy Ficke, cancer treatment. Prayers for their medical team and recovery.
Dwain and Olive Lavinder, dealing with cancer.
Carl Watts, friend of the Young family…. wife Jane in a care facility because of advanced Parkinson's.

Prayers of Comfort and Peace

Prayers of comfort and strength as Sandy Speerstra's niece, Melanie, and family grieve the sudden passing for her husband.

Prayers for Blessings and Encouragement

Christ's Gift Academy in Mbita**,** Kenya

SERMON NOTES