# TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST November 9, 2025



# ${\it ELW~SETTING~6}\\ {\it LUTHERAN~CHURCH~OF~THE~HOLY~SPIRIT}$

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# We are glad you are with us today.

We are a family of faith living and growing together in Christ.

This bulletin is filled with information about the life of the church, you are invited to take it home for reference and further reflection during the week. Various updates and additional church information, along with the Pastor Tim's sermons, are posted each week on our website — www.holyspirit-elca.org. Welcome cards/envelopes are located in the pew rack. Please take a moment to fill out the information and return it to the offering plate.

Our sound system includes a T-system hearing loop, which allows worshipers with T-system compatible hearing aids to tune in directly to the worship leaders' microphones for clearer sound. There are two hearing unit headsets available in the narthex for use. Additionally, large print bulletins are available at the sanctuary door.

As we worship and celebrate communion this morning we remind you that this is the Lord's table. Jesus is the host. We are his guests. God welcomes everyone to come and eat and be nourished, fed and forgiven. Come and eat and live! Please extend your hand to receive the bread, then take a cup from the tray. Please indicate if you prefer to receive a gluten-free wafer. Those not receiving communion are welcome to receive a blessing.

If you are interested in becoming a member of Holy Spirit, please see Pastor Tim. Membership comes through baptism or affirmation of faith.

Please let us know if we can be of service to you in any way!

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# SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

# PRELUDE "Concerto No 2 in G Major" JS Bach

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

  Silence is kept for reflection.
- P Faithful God.
- You have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths.
  We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises.
  We ignore our neighbors.
  We exploit the earth.
  We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love.
  Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life.
  Amen.

# P Hear the good news: God the Faithful One loves you, in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.

# C Amen.





Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, stanzas; Robert Lowry, 1826–1899, refrain Music: MARCHING TO ZION, Robert Lowry

# **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.

# **HYMN OF PRAISE**





# PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Please be seated.

FIRST READING Job 19:23-27a

- O that my words were written down!

  O that they were inscribed in a book!
- <sup>24</sup> O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever!
- <sup>25</sup> For I know that my vindicator lives and that in the end he will stand upon the earth;
- <sup>26</sup> and after my skin has been destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God,
- <sup>27a</sup> whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another."
- A The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### **SECOND READING**

# 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

<sup>1</sup> As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, <sup>2</sup> not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. <sup>3</sup> Let no one deceive you in any way, for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. <sup>4</sup> He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. <sup>5</sup> Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

<sup>13</sup> But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. <sup>14</sup> For this purpose he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>15</sup> So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

<sup>16</sup> Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, <sup>17</sup> comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

- A The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL VERSE**





**GOSPEL** Luke 20:27-38

- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the twentieth chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.
- P 27 Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] 28 and asked him a question: "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. 29 Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; 30 then the second 31 and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. 32 Finally the woman also died. 33 In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

<sup>34</sup> Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, <sup>35</sup> but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. <sup>36</sup> Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. <sup>37</sup> And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. <sup>38</sup> Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive."

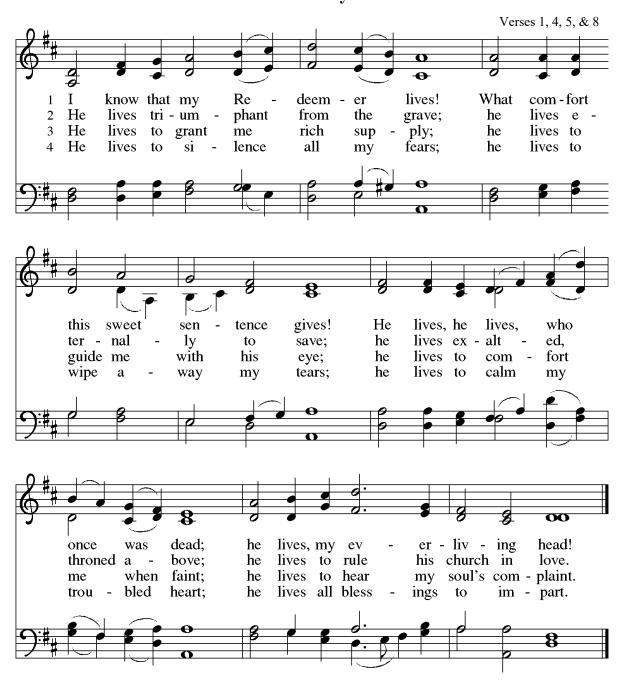
- A The Gospel of the Lord
- C Praise to you, Jesus Christ

#### **SERMON**

**Pastor Tim Linstrom** 

# **HYMN OF THE DAY** "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

#### **ELW 619**



- 5 He lives to bless me with his love; he lives to plead for me above; he lives my hungry soul to feed; he lives to help in time of need.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; he lives and loves me to the end; he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing; he lives, my prophet, priest, and king!
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; he lives, and I shall conquer death; he lives my mansion to prepare; he lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to his name! He lives, my Savior, still the same; what joy this blest assurance gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

# **APOSTLES' 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.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

God our Redeemer, bless your church universal and its leaders. Set all hearts on you from generation to generation in anticipation of Christ's return. Hear us, O God.

- C Your mercy is great.
- A God of life, we give thanks for the fruits and grains of harvest, for rivers and streams, for all that is made of rock and iron. Renew the earth's natural resources and the lands from which they come. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- A God of justice, we give thanks for the service of our veterans and pray for those needing support for wounds of any kind. Strengthen those charged with the governance and protection of vulnerable populations. Bring an end to war throughout the world. We pray for those serving in the military and

their families, especially **Amelia Eastman**, **Thomas Menter** (grandson of Louise), **Dylan Utterback** (son of Julie & Joel), **Jim Detjen** (brother of Mary), **Dylan Glenner**, **Hannah Best** (son and daughter of Anne-Marie Glenner). Hear us, O God.

- C Your mercy is great.
- God who leads us to belief and truth, we give thanks that you are always A and already here. Nurture and support those who are unsteady in mind, unsafe in spirit, or unwell in body. We especially pray for Carol Bertrand, Ruth Berman, Ethan Cloonan, Gordy Duprey, Jane Ernst, Elizabeth Falato, Marian McBride, Cathy Nathan, Darlene Neumann, Tom Weglarz, Allison Wittich, Chris Wittich, Denyse Baker (sister of Daaron Dohler), Jacob Gombar (uncle of Jeanne Nelson), Jean Goodale (friend of Joan Roehl), Laura Hansel (sister of Mary Detjen), Jim Hanzel (uncle of Patrick Cantagallo), Tobey Lannert (sister-in-law of Carol Duprey), Vic Larson (former member), Cierra Mason (granddaughter of Jerry Mason), the Chase Petersen family (friends of Amy Dohler), Kari, Sydney, and Luke Stocks (daughter in-law and grandchildren of Dorothy and Ron Stocks), Michael Ungari, Lenita Spears, (relative & friend of the Labellarte family), Coco & Lukas (grandchildren of JoAnne Schwarcz), Jim Wahlund (brother in-law of Chris Miller), Dana Zingrone (friend of Jeanne Nelson). Comfort those who suffer from trauma and exposure to traumatic events. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- A God who gathers us together, we give thanks for our pastors and deacons, teachers and musicians, administrators, and building caretakers. May they find joy in leadership as we grow in faith together. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- A God of the saints, we give thanks for all who have died in faith. Uplift us as we honor their memory and await your coming in glory. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- A We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

#### **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C and also with you.

All the people greet one another through the sharing of the peace.

#### THE OFFERING

#### WORLD HUNGER OFFERING

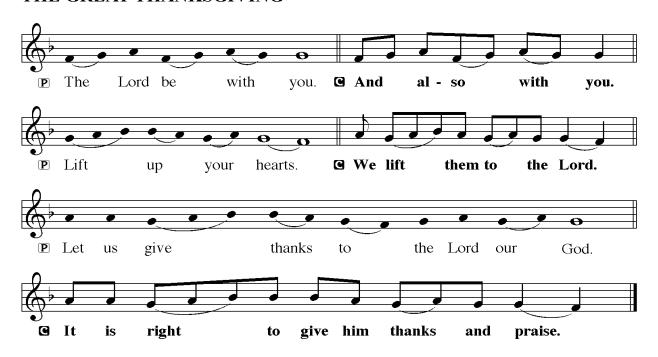
OFFERTORY MUSIC "My Lord, What a Morning" Victor Johnson Adult Choir

# **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

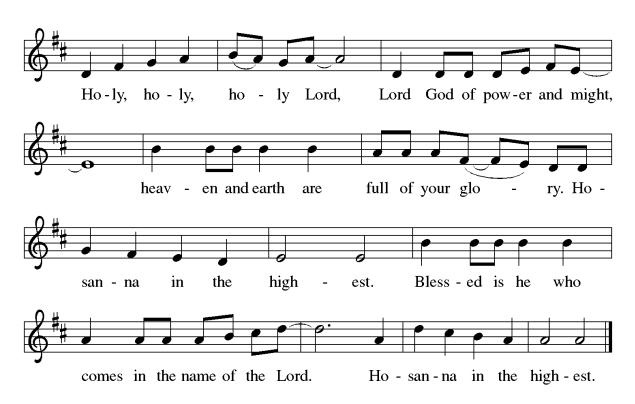
A God of healing and hope,
you bless those who are hungry,
promising to fill them with good things.
Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts.
Nourish us with the abundance of your feast
and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior,
now and forever.

#### C Amen.

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



P Blessed are you, O holy God:
you are the Life and Light of all.
By your powerful word you created all things.
Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.
Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son.
He is your Light, shining in our darkness
and revealing to us your mercy and might.
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. Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light. By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

# C Amen.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

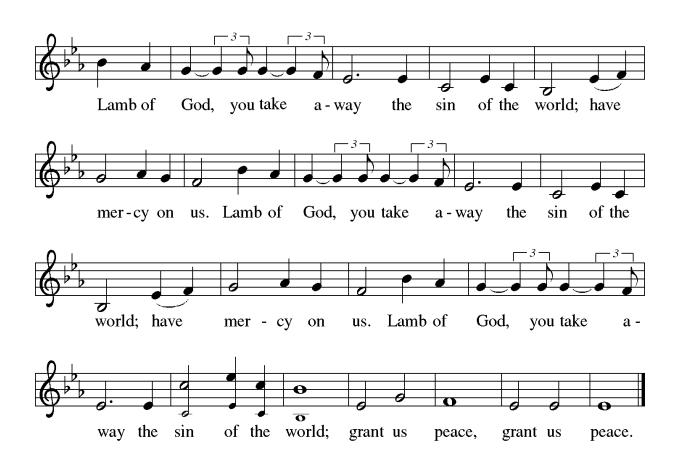
- P All who believe in our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, are welcome at the table of the Lord. Let us pray together as our Lord taught us.
- C Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
  Give us today our daily bread.
  Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
  Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
  For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.
  Amen.



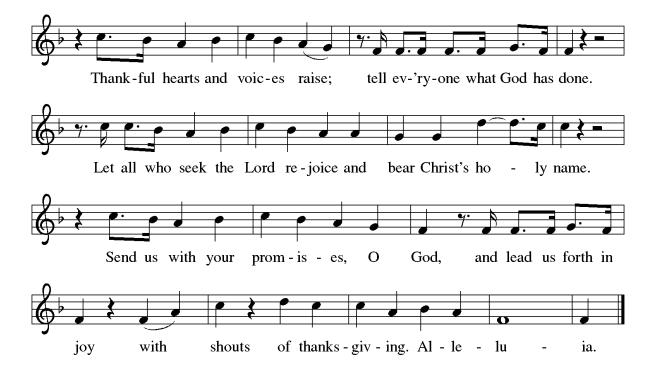
# **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

- P There is a place for you at the table of God. Come, receive the food that does not perish, a taste of life eternal.
- C Amen.

# **COMMUNION CANTICLE**



#### POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



# **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

A God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world.

Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name.

# C Amen.

# **BENEDICTION**

- P The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you,
  God the Son save you,
  and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead.
  The holy Trinity bless you
  and grant you a faithful and courageous heart
  now and forever.
- C Amen.



Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915 Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **DISMISSAL**

- A Go in peace. Share the harvest.
- C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" Burkhardt

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Sanctuary flowers are donated by Carol Raymond in memory of Carl and Helen Wiberg.

# WEEKLY FOOD COLLECTION —

This week's donation item: **Rice.** Men's socks are also needed on an ongoing basis for our Veterans. over the last three weeks, we donated 382 lbs. of food and other items. Join us in the gift of giving and the miracle of multiplying our efforts to the glory of God. Please bring your donations to the church by Sunday. (next week: SIDE DISHES (boxed potatoes, boxed pasta salad, Jello etc.).

# THANKSGIVING DINNERS — November 16th.

In the spirit of giving to a neighbor in need, we're providing



Thanksgiving baskets to 10 families. Please consider donating a nonperishable item or money towards a gift card by **November 16th**. Food items to purchase can be found on the church website at <a href="https://www.holyspirit-elca.org/#tg">www.holyspirit-elca.org/#tg</a>. There is a donation box in the gathering space and money donations should

be made out to the church with "thanksgiving" in the memo or noted on the envelope. Please feel free to reach out to Jill Pink with any questions. jill.pink@hotmail.com or 847-533-0490. Thank you!

# CHURCH WORK DAY — November 15th, 8 am to 1pm.

Please join us on Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. You need not stay the whole time, but whatever time you can donate will be put to good use! Bring the whole family and make it a family service project

# STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY — November 16th.

Sunday, **November 16th** is Stewardship Sunday. We urge you to attend the two special events of this day — Sunday morning worship and the Celebration Luncheon immediately following worship. This is a catered meal, so we need reservations for each person. RSVP cards are available in the gathering Space. If you like you can also RSVP online at www.holyspirit-elca.org/rsvp.

We also need some volunteers to help set up before and clean up after. A sign up sheet is in the gathering space. Please contact Joe Labellarte with any questions. (joe.labellarte@redbrickmatrix.com)

# <u>IMPORTANT TAX BENEFIT</u>—

Have you reached that golden IRS age of 70 ½? If so, then you can donate directly to Holy Spirit from your taxable IRA with a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD).

- Currently the maximum annual QCD amount any individual can make in total is \$108,000 (index adjusted annually).
- This direct contribution satisfies any RMD (Required Minimum Distribution) you may be subject to.
- This distribution is not included in your Adjusted Gross Income for the year and thus will not be taxable income.
- This amount will not count against your IRMAA (income related monthly adjustment amount for Medicare).

Just direct your IRA custodian to distribute via direct check to Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit. You may already have a checkbook for your taxable IRA account for making such charitable contributions written directly to the charity. Remittance information should include the donor name. Questions can be directed to Jackie Murphy at Jmurph2803@gmail.com.

# ELCA'S GUARDIAN ANGELS PROGRAM —

A representative of the ELCA's Guardian Angels Program has reached out to our congregation to gauge interest in becoming involved in the program. A component of the ELCA's Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy Representation and Opportunities (AMMPARO) initiative, the Guardian Angels program provides volunteers who offer a spiritual and physical presence to unaccompanied migrant children and families through their immigration court process. The program is the visible expression of our church's ministry of presence in the lives of women, men and children who are facing the unknown. The program also seeks to build community as church together and church for the sake of the world.

The Guardian Angels volunteers who accompany unaccompanied migrant children and single-parent families through their immigration court process, offer:

- SPIRITUAL ACCOMPANIMENT to provide spiritual support for them at court hearings
- PHYSICAL ACCOMPANIMENT to be a visible sign of the church in immigration court
- COURT WATCH to be present in court
- RESOURCE SHARING If requested, to provide information about local resources to assist migrants in their transition to life in the United States and to encourage families to obtain legal counsel.

If you think you'd be interested in participating in this program or have questions about it, please contact Pastor Tim through the church office, 847-945-1550 or Jeanne Nelson, 847-502-6799.

# **DINNER TOGETHER THIS ADVENT SEASON**— December 2nd.

All are welcome to join as we come together for our dinner. We will share a church family meal with Christmas spirit at 6:00 followed by an advent service 7:00-7:30pm. Please rsvp for dinner to Pastor Tim or Jennifer. A free will offering will be collected.

# **QUILTERS** —

The Quilting Ministry meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m.

# PRAYER GROUP —

Our prayer group meets at 9:30a.m. on Thursday mornings in room 3. If you'd like to pray with us, please come! We'd love for you to join us.

# THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY —

Join us on Thursday mornings from 10:15 to 11:30 for a time of Biblical reflection and spirited conversation. Our new study is entitled, "Light of the World: a Beginner's Guide to Advent". Amy-Jill Levine, professor of New Testament studies and author, explores the biblical texts surrounding the story of the birth of Jesus, including the stories of Zechariah and Elizabeth, Mary, the journey to Bethlehem, and the visit from the Maji. Theses stories open conversations around connections of the Gospel stories and the Old Testament, the role of women in 1st century Jewish culture, the importance of Mary's visitation, and the revolutionary implications of Mary's Magnificat, the census and the stable, and the star of Bethlehem and the flight to Egypt. Don't miss this wonderful study! Your thoughts and opinions are valued as we learn from the experts and from each other. We always close our time together in prayer.

# ON-LINE GIVING AND TEXT TO GIVE —

Our secure online giving option makes it more convenient for members and



visitors to donate. Giving is also as easy as sending a text with our text-to-give feature. Text the amount you want to donate to 844-573-1379. A registration link will be texted back for you to enter your information. Tap "Process" to complete your donation.

Please scan this code with your phone to donate using our secure online giving page.

# LIVE STREAM —

Our services are live-streamed and archived on our Holy Spirit YouTube Channel



at www.youtube.com/@churchinthewoods-holyspirit or scan the QR code. Please reach out to Daaron Dohler or Ryan Hathaway if you have any questions.



HOLY SPIRIT HAPPENINGS		
Sunday November 9	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:45 am	Bells
Monday November 10	7:00 pm	Church Council Meeting
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Tuesday November 11	10;00 am	Quilters
	4:15 pm	LYFE
	4:30 pm	Confirmation
	4:30 pm	Adult Choir
Thursday November 13	9:30 am	Prayer Group
Thursday November 13	10:15 am	Bible Study
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Saturday November 15	8-1pm	Church Work Day
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Sunday November 16	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:45 am	Stewardship Celebration Luncheon
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Assisting Minister:

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