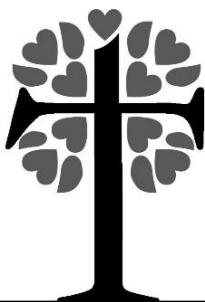


Welcome to Tree of Life Lutheran Church



September 29, 2024 ~ Michael and All Angels

Leader in regular type, **congregation in bold type**

↑ means stand as you are able

Restrooms are by the kitchen and by the Wiggle Room

Wiggle Room is available for anyone needing a brief break from worship, at the end of the piano wing of the sanctuary

WiFi is available: Look for TOL-GUEST; password is OdessaTOL1

We Gather as God's People

PRELUDE

You can use this time for quiet reflection, prayer and preparation for worship.

↑ CONFESSON AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and the +Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sins in the presence of God and one-another. Most merciful God:

We confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, and turn us again to you. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

↑ HYMN

"Come Ye Disconsolate"

RED HYMNAL #607

↑ APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

↑ HYMN OF PRAISE

Glory to God

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- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

↑ PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray: Everlasting God, you have wonderfully established the ministries of angels and mortals. Mercifully grant that as Michael and the angels contend against the cosmic forces of evil, so by your direction they may help and defend us here on earth, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen.**

We Hear God's Word

FIRST READING: Daniel 10:10-14; 12:1-3

A reading from Daniel:

¹⁰A hand touched me and roused me to my hands and knees. ¹¹He said to me, "Daniel, greatly beloved, pay attention to the words that I am going to speak to you. Stand on your feet, for I have now been sent to you." So while he was speaking this word to me, I stood up trembling. ¹²He said to me, "Do not fear, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your mind to gain understanding and to humble yourself before your God, your words have been heard, and I have come because of your words. ¹³But the prince of the kingdom of Persia opposed me twenty-one days. So Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, and I left him there with the prince of the kingdom of Persia, ¹⁴and have come to help you understand what is to happen to your people at the end of days. For there is a further vision for those days.

^{12:1}"At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ²Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 103:1-5, 20-22

¹Bless the LORD, O my soul,

and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

²**Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits—**

³who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases;

⁴**who redeems your life from the grave**

and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;

⁵who satisfies your desires with good things

so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

²⁰**Bless the LORD, you angels, you mighty ones who do God's bidding,
who obey the voice of God's word.**

²¹Bless the LORD, all you hosts of God,

you servants who do God's will.

²²**Bless the LORD, all you works of God, in all places where God rules;
bless the LORD, O my soul.**

SECOND READING: Revelation 12:7-12

A reading from Revelation:

⁷And war broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, ⁸but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. ⁹The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world — he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

¹⁰Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, "Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. ¹¹But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death. ¹²Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!"

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

↑ GOSPEL: Luke 10:17-20

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁷The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" ¹⁸He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

↑ HYMN

"O Jesus I Have Promised"

RED HYMNAL #810

↑ APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.
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.**

↑ PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Gathered by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the Church, the world, and all people according to their need:

Holy Lord, holy and almighty, holy and immortal, heaven and earth are filled with your glory. Angels and archangels adore you in unceasing chorus. Help your Church in all times and places to join the angels in service and worship. Give strength to Christians around the world who face persecution, that they might be assured of your victory. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Watch over all that you have made. Grant that your creation might always produce good things, and that we may be good stewards of your world. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Defeat the designs of wicked princes and rulers, and send your justice, freedom and peace upon all people. Bless our nation, especially those who have traditionally looked to the Archangel Michael for protection: police officers, paramedics and members of the armed forces. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Grant that your angels may watch over all in any need or trouble. We pray especially for Amanda, Annalise, Anya, Bill, Brian, Cecelia, Christine, Cindy, Clara, Dale, Danielle, Elizabeth, Erica, Gail, Grace, Kenneth, Kimberly, Marilyn, Mercedes, Pam, Patrick, Paul, Richard, Sarah, and those we name with our lips or in our hearts...

(Time for personal petitions) Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Support Tree of Life as we seek to glorify your name and share your Good News with our community. When our hearts grow cold and our strength grows thin, sustain us with your glorious might and inspire us by your humble love. Bless our bishops, Elizabeth and William; our pastor, Robbie; St. Mark's Lutheran Church and its pastor Kelley, and St. Paul's Lutheran Church and its pastor Barbara. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Accept our thanksgiving for Dallas Dean, Viola Mann's mother Amelia Trautner, and all the saints who eternally celebrate your Son's victory over death. Keep us strong in the hope of the resurrection, until that day when we are all reunited forever. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Into your hands, most merciful God, we lift up all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

↑ **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

We Share God's Holy Meal

OFFERING

↑ **OFFERTORY**

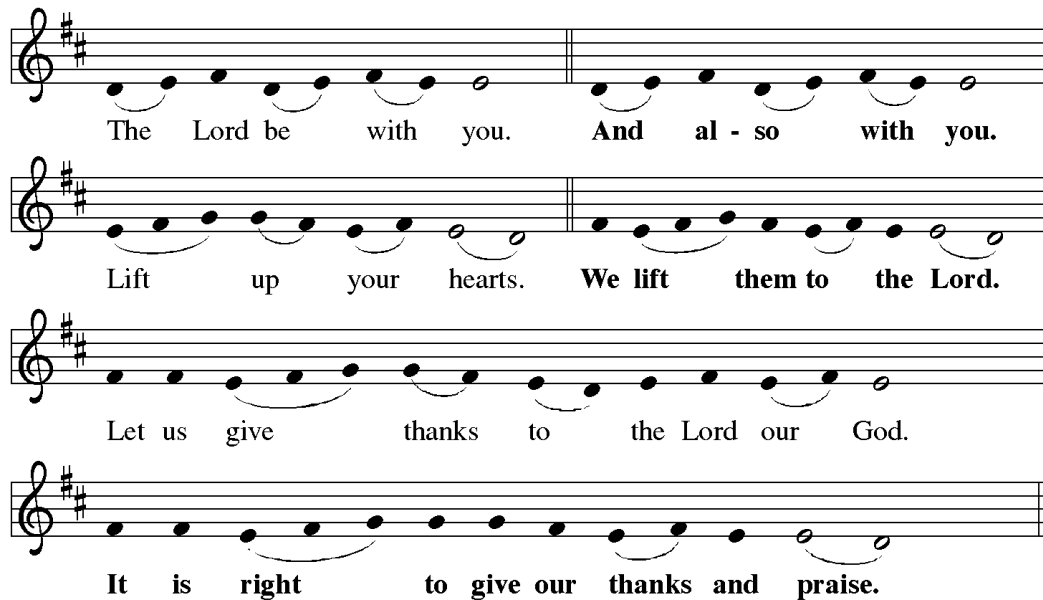
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye Heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost**

RED HYMNAL #884

↑ OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together: **Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

↑ GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

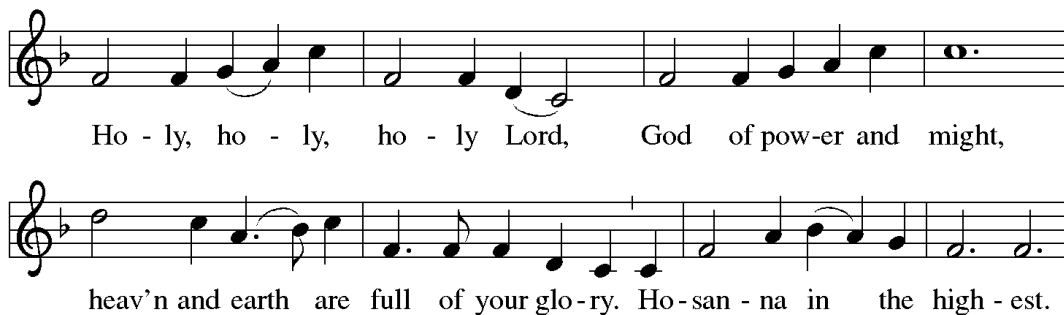
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The thanksgiving continues with the preface for the day. The congregation responds:

↑ SANCTUS

RED HYMNAL pg. 207



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,

heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

↑ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

↑ LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

↑ INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

All baptized Christians are welcome to commune. Wine and white grape juice are in the individual cups. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

COMMUNION

RED HYMNAL pg. 208



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

HYMNS

“Let Us Break Bread Together”
“We Plow The Fields And Scatter”

RED HYMNAL #471
RED HYMNAL #681

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together: Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

God Sends Us in Mission

ANNOUNCEMENTS

↑ BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, and the +Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

↑ HYMN

"I've Found A Friend In Jesus"

BLACK HYMNAL #3

↑ MISSION STATEMENT

What is our Mission? **To be faithful children of God, called by grace through Christ, and sharing this gift with Middletown, Odessa, Townsend and the World.**

↑ DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

You may listen to the music or depart to do God's work.

Please join us for refreshments in the fellowship room after the service.

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Blessing of the Animals

Tree of Life Lutheran Church and St. Paul's United Methodist Church
Invite you to bring your furry or fuzzy friends
to Willey Farms on the afternoon of October 4,
where we will share a Bible reading, prayer of blessing and a pet treat!

3:00-5:30 p.m.
Friday, October 4
Willey Farms
4092 Dupont Pkwy. (U.S. 13)
Townsend, DE 19734



ST. PAUL'S
United Methodist Church of Odessa
Reaching Up, Reaching In, Reaching Out