

The Journey November 10, 2024 9am

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PRE-SERVICE MUSIC The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG

Diamonds

Words and Music by Jason Ingram, Matt Bronleewe and Jonathan Steingard



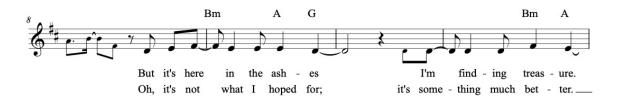
Here and now I'm in the fi - re in a - bove my head.

I'll sur - ren) - der to the pow'r of be - ing crushed by love

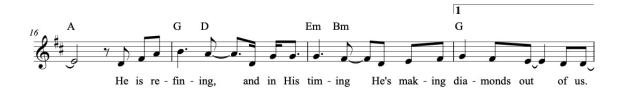


Be - ing held un - der the pres - sure; don't know what will be left.

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OPENING SONG

The Name Of The Lord

Words and Music by Clinton Utterbach

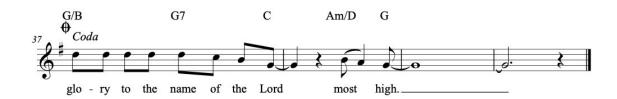












OPENING PRAYER

FIRST READING: Hebrews 9:24-28

A reading from Hebrews.

²⁴For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; ²⁶for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, ²⁸so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

GOSPEL SONG Vs. 1

As The Deer

Words and Music by Martin Nystrom



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GOSPEL READING: Mark 12:38-44

A reading from Mark.

³⁸As he taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, ³⁹and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets!

⁴⁰They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

⁴¹He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴²A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. ⁴³Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. ⁴⁴For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

MESSAGE

MESSAGE SONG

All Things Are Possible

Words and Music by Darlene Zschech







PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Renew your church, O God. Make us servants to one another for the sake of the gospel. Instill a heart for service and a passion for justice in our bishops, deacons, pastors, and lay leaders. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Renew your creation, O God. Sustain the earth and seas and all that is in them. Kindle in us a reverent awe for all creatures great and small, and strengthen us in our pursuit of climate justice. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Renew the nations, O God. Heal our nation's veterans from the unseen wounds of war. Tend to their trauma and soothe burdened consciences. Guide leaders of the world to end conflicts and pursue peace. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Renew your people, O God. Protect those in our communities who are vulnerable or ill. Accompany persons who are unemployed or underemployed, children who are in foster care, and those who live alone. Watch over and uphold them. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Renew this congregation, O God. Give us clarity in our mission and boldness in our witness. Bless our ministries that attend to basic needs of any who lack sufficient resources, that all may live with dignity. Merciful God.

receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Happy are those whose help was in you. We give thanks for all your faithful ones who praised you as their God all their life long. As we eagerly wait for you, inspire us by their lives of service. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

OFFERING

Let us give thanks to God for our many blessings as we offer our monetary gifts for the mission and ministry of this community of faith. For those who are online, you can offer your financial support for our mission and ministries by going to our website livinglordfl.org and clicking on the give button at the top of the home page.

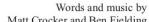
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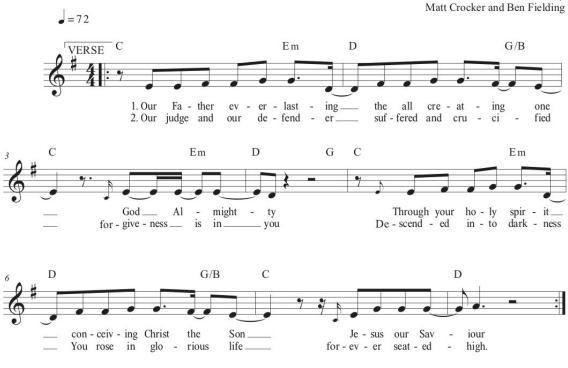
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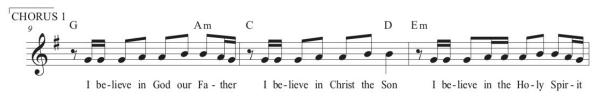
Frederic Chopin

SONG BEFORE THE MEAL

This I Believe (The Creed)











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THE MEAL

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 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.

MEAL INSTRUCTIONS

Holy Communion here is just this simple: All are welcome because this is the Lord's table. It is Jesus who invites us to share in this meal. So, it doesn't matter who you are or how you are but that you simply come because God's gifts are... **C Free**

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service



- 1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
- 2 Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry cry for bread;
- 3 As we wor-ship, grant us vi sion, till your love's re veal-ing light
- 4 Called by wor-ship to your ser vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, worked your mer-cy's per - fect deed: still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we mourn our dead. in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up - on our quick-ened sight, to the child, the youth, the a - ged, love in liv - ing deeds to show;



we, your ser-vants, bring the wor-ship not of voice a - lone, but heart; As you, Lord, in deep com-pas-sion healed the sick and freed the soul, mak-ing known the needs and bur-dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear, hope and health, good-will and com-fort, coun-sel, aid, and peace we give,



con - se - crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - 'ry gift which you im - part. by your Spir - it send your pow - er to our world to make it whole. stir - ring us to ar - dent ser - vice, your a - bun - dant life to share. that your ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

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Music: BEACH SPRING, The Sacred Harp, Philadelphia, 1844

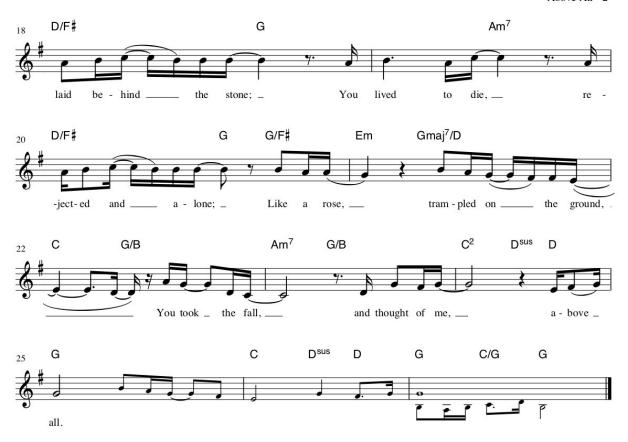
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Above All

Words and Music by Lenny LeBlanc and Paul Baloche



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BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

May this body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace now and forevermore.

C Amen

SENDING SONG

Thrive

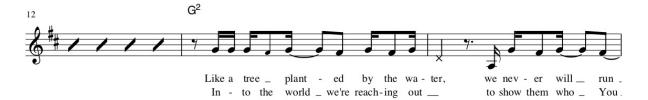
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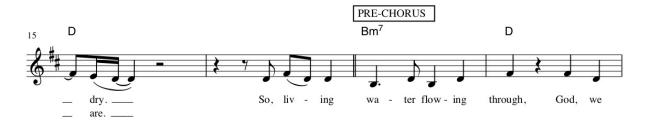






- 1. Here in this worn and wear-y land ___
- where man y a dream has ____ died,
- 2. In to Your Word we're dig-ging deep __ to know _ our Fa ther's __ heart.









DISMISSAL SONG

JOY IN THE JOURNEY





The Altar Flowers are given by Mike and Madelyn Tetmeyer to the Glory of God.

The Eternal Candle for the month of November is given by Sandy Coffman to wish Happy Birthday her daughter, Colleen and great-grandson, Kane.

The Altar Guild Barbara VanBuren, Karen Symos and Nancy Taylor

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION All who have faith in the words, "given for you" and "shed for you for the forgiveness of sin" is really worthy and well prepared to receive this sacrament. Communion is by individual cup (wine or white grape juice and gluten free wafers are available). Let an usher know if you need communion brought to you.

The **Sunday bulletin** focuses on the what, when, and where of announcements and ministry opportunities for the upcoming week. Detailed information is available on our **Facebook** page, in the **Link**, which is published weekly, and in the **Voice**, our monthly newsletter, and on our **website** – <u>www.livinglordfl.org</u>. Extra copies of the **VOICE** are available in the Narthex in the mail bins on the south wall.

Financial Support Thank you for your continued support for our ministry and mission. Offerings can be mailed to the church or online giving with banking or credit card payments at www.livinglordfl.org (Give Tab).

Attendance Pads Please fill out the attendance register and pass it down the aisle and let us know you were here. Add your name and if you are communing place a "C" in the member or visitor column. Otherwise, simply place a checkmark ($\sqrt{}$) in that column. This is a change to satisfy our constitutional requirement to maintain a record of those who have communed. Thank you for helping us with this detail.

Covid-19 Guidelines Update:

The Worship Team's current guidelines include: Optional masks. Each individual should choose what is right for them and the use of the common cup during communion distribution is suspended until further notice.

SCRIP after each service. An ongoing fundraiser designated towards Building Improvement. Purchase gift cards at the table. Orders are placed every week for pick-up the following week.

SUNDAY SCHOOL K thru 3rd grade, 4th grade thru 7th grade and Faith Formation for teens - every Sunday from 10:05 to 10:55. Confirmation class is still being determined.

<u>ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL</u> 10:05-10:50am in the Activities Hall. Bible study of the Old testament and Epistle lessons read in Sunday worship is an opportunity to dig deeper into the message with other adults. Bring your cookie, coffee, questions and insights as we explore with friends the readings' connections to our lives today.

GENERAL OFFERING #4010			
YEAR-TO-DATE	2024 BUDGET	2023 ACTUAL	
September 30, 2024	September 30, 2024	September 30, 2023	
\$243,062.23	\$278,009.28	\$275,822.29	

<u>Hurricane Helene & Milton</u> Lutheran Disaster Response working alongside synods and other partners, is prepared to provide support throughout the impacted region. Gifts to "Hurricane Response" will be used (100%) to assist those affected by hurricanes, until the response is complete. Give through your congregation **or** make your check out to Lutheran Disaster Response and send to: Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, ELCA Gift Processing Center, P.O. Box 1809, Merrifield, VA 22116-8009 and write "Where needed most" or "Hurricane Response" in the memo line.

<u>CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS</u> Due to recent damages from the hurricane, Poinsettia Flowers will be limited to 6" (\$8.00) and 8" (\$12.00) Red ONLY. Order forms will be available November 10 as we MUST have our order returned by December 1st. - Thank you and Happy Holidays, Altar Guild

<u>PUB THEOLOGY</u> All are welcome to join us on Wed, Nov. 13 and Dec. 12. Share views about how God interacts in our everyday lives? At the Beef O' Brady's, Lakewood Ranch Blvd, 6:30pm. The format is simple: beer, conversation, and God. For more information contact Doug Holst at (813) 447-9917.

OUR DAILY BREAD SERVERS

We need 6 servers on December 7th from 9:15 am until approximately 11:45 am. No experience required, on the job training, pay is great, hearing the "thank-yous" from the homeless as you serve lunch. Please do not forget to include your phone number when signing up. There may be changes required at the last minute and we'll need to reach you. If you want to help, but have questions, call **Bob Scott**, (941) 758-5954 or (817) 313-2945.

ANGEL TREE - The tree with Angels IS HERE TODAY. The Angels and gifts will need to be back at church on Sunday December 1st.

A QUILT RAFFLE will be held Dec 1st and 8th. Beautiful quilts will be available for you to bid on for yourself or to give as Christmas gifts.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING! The church has decorations that need to be installed by December 1st. If you are interested in helping with this project, please contact Stephney at 941-782-8005 or Marilyn at 614-570-5483.

Week of November 11-17

Monday

Faith Talks 10am
Tai Chi 10am
AA Meeting 11:30am
Boy Scouts 6pm
GA Meeting 7pm

Tuesday

AA & Al-Anon Meeting 11:30 am Cub Scouts 6pm AA Meeting 7pm

Wednesday

AA Meeting 9:30am, 11:30am Pastor's Bible Study 1pm

Thursday

AA Meeting 11:30am Building Improvement Mtg 3pm By Grace 6:30pm

Friday

GA Meeting 9:30am Crafting 10:30am AA Meeting 11:30am AA Meeting 6pm, 8pm

Saturday

Altar Guild 10am
AA Meeting 4pm
Al-Anon Meeting 4pm

Sunday

7:45am Traditional Service 9am The Journey 11am Traditional Service AA Meeting 6:30pm

BUILDING IMPROVEMENT NEWS

The vinyl plank flooring for the Sanctuary Hall has been purchased and is waiting for the ceiling lighting changes and room painting before for installation. Hurricane damage to the building roof and trees are being repaired. Thank you to the member who made a gift to cover the cost of such repairs.

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

As our Stewardship campaign is underway, we truly thank everyone for their continued faith and support. We hope you will reflect on your commitment to our church and ministries as we plan for 2025. Please return your Pledge and Time and Talent Survey by November 24th.

Giving Tip:

Purchase Scrip cards (gift cards remit money back to Living Lord)

<u>LUNCH BUNCH INVITATION</u> The second Thursday of every month the LLL lunch bunch meets for lunch. November 14th at <u>11:15</u>. We will meet at Skillets located at 9722 SR 64. NOTE: For this one time only, we are meeting at <u>11:15</u> because the restaurant needs us out by 12:45 that day. This luncheon is open to <u>all</u> who wish to attend. There is a signup sheet posted in the narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Deb Miller at 616-540-1745.

PROPERTY TEAM REMINDER Monday mornings are property volunteer work days. Bill Hoth, team leader, is at church every Monday morning at 9:00am to work around the building or the yard doing anything and everything that needs to be done to make sure our property looks good and is well taken care of. Please consider volunteering for this important ministry.

A New Season Calls YOU for Faith Talks! Let's get together on Mondays at 10:00-11:30 AM in Activities Hall

Beginning in October, we will resume thought-provoking discussions from current news and talk about some related Bible readings. All members and friends are welcome to attend any or all sessions. Each week's topic will be different.

What is included in this 90-minute adult forum experience?

- **1. In the News.** Printed lessons will present a quick summary of a news topic and cite the sources for more detail. (Selected by The Wired Word editorial team.)
- 2. The Big Questions. We will be challenged with 3-6 critical questions raised by the topic being discussed. We often expand based on our own ideas and experiences.
- 3. Scripture Confronts the News. From Old and New Testament, we will read 5-6 verses to enlighten today's issue. What does God want us to know? How is the Holy Spirit guiding our responses? Can we connect living today to the message?
- **4. Participation**. Members explore the ideas presented, contribute their own experiences, raise questions, and consider how to apply faith today. We expect diverse opinions, expressed in love and friendship. We encourage self-expression.
- 5. Closing prayer. We address God and focus on ways He has guided us today.

<u>The Wired Word</u> offers us two the topics, based on recent news events. One of these weekly topics will be covered in our 90 minutes together. All printed lesson materials are provided every week at the Monday class to all attending. Unlike previous church courses, there is NO video component for this class. We will read aloud and use our Bibles. We will learn through active thinkers, personal experiences, and conversational insights. (https://www.thewiredword.com)

Abundant life means adapting to changes in society. Be informed with us!

Just 90 minutes on Mondays offers a chance to practice and grow by expressing ourselves in matters of Christian daily life.

We are free to speak our concerns and seek answers, because we trust our relationships among friends!

Sometimes we even change our minds about the subject!

For more information and to join us, contact Ruth McConnell, Facilitator, 941-751-8053.



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