22nd Sunday after Pentecost

November 9, 2025



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God's work. Our hands.

To all who are lonely and need fellowship; to all who are discouraged and need good news; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are tempted and need help; to all who are sinners and need forgiveness; to all who are complacent and need disturbing; to all who thirst for the water of life; to all who love Christ and would follow Christ, Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church opens its arms and bids you welcome!

PRELUDE: "WHEN WE ARE LIVING"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence is kept for reflection.

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.

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.

Amen.

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ. The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

GATHERING SONG Borning Cry (ELW 732)

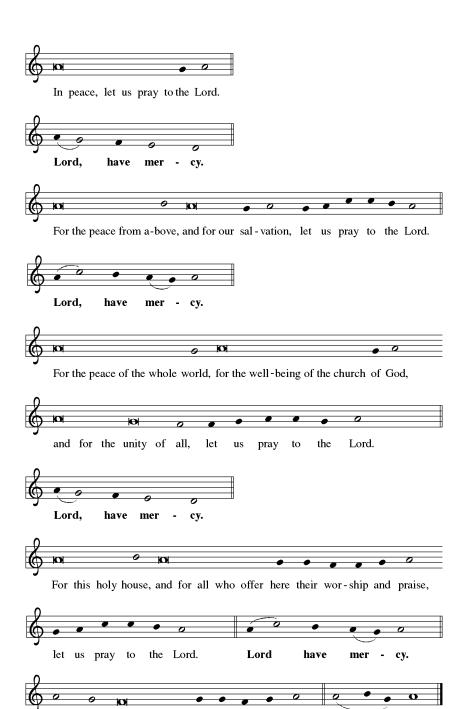
GREETING

During this time, the presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.

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.

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men.

Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

HOLY BAPTISM (page 227)

WORD

FIRST READING: Job 19:23-27a

The reading may be announced:

A reading from Job.

Job suffers the loss of children, wealth, and health. Accused by his companions of wrongdoing, he knows himself to be innocent. Here, in the midst of his suffering, Job clings to the radical hope that his vindicator, his redeemer, lives; and that one day he himself will see God.

- ²³ "O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book!
- ²⁴ O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever!
- ²⁵ For I know that my vindicator lives and that in the end he will stand upon the earth;
- ²⁶ and after my skin has been destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God,
- ^{27a} whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another."

The reading may be concluded:

The word of the Lord.

The assembly responds:

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 17:1-9

Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me under the shadow of your wings. (Ps. 17:8)

- Hear a just cause, O LORD; give heed to my cry; listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.
- ² Let my vindication come forth | from your presence; let your eyes be | fixed on justice.
- ³ Examine my heart, visit | me by night, melt me down; you will find no impuri- | ty in me.
- ⁴ I have not regarded what | others do; at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways | of the violent. R
- ⁵ My footsteps hold fast to your | well-worn path; and my feet | do not slip.
- ⁶ I call upon you, O God, for you will | answer me; incline your ear to me and | hear my words.
- ⁷ Show me your marvelous | lovingkindness,
- O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who | rise against them.
 - ⁸ Keep me as the apple | of your eye; hide me under the shadow | of your wings,
 - ⁹ from the wicked who assault me, from my deadly enemies who surround me. **R**

SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

The reading may be announced:

A reading from 2 Thessalonians.

This portion of the letter provides encouragement for the church at Thessalonica during a time of confusion and opposition, as some allowed their concern over Jesus' imminent return to divert them from the central teachings of the gospel.

¹ As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ² 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. ³ 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. ⁴ 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. ⁵ Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

¹³ 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. ¹⁴ For this purpose he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ 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.

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

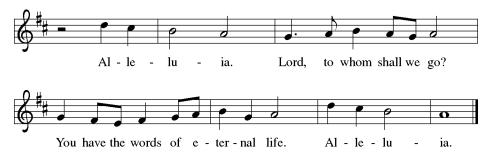
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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Luke 20:27-38

The gospel is announced.

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Some Sadducees, who do not believe in the resurrection of the dead, try to trap Jesus. They formulate the convoluted case of a serial widow who marries a succession of seven brothers. Jesus responds by teaching about God to whom all are alive and in whom all relationships are fulfilled.

- 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."

³⁴ Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵ 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. ³⁶ Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷ 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. ³⁸ Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive." *The gospel concludes:*

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY I Know that My Redeemer Lives! (ELW 619)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

A brief silence.

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.

Your mercy is great.

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.

Your mercy is great.

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. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God who leads us to belief and truth, we give thanks that you are always and already here. Nurture and support those who are unsteady in mind, unsafe in spirit, or unwell in body (*especially*). Comfort those who suffer from trauma and exposure to traumatic events. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

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.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

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.

Your mercy is great.

We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

OFFERING

Create in Me a Clean Heart *Offering Song*



Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923

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OFFERING PRAYER

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.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

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.

Amen.

SENDING SONG Blessed Assurance (ELW 638)

DISMISSAL

The worship has ended. Let the service begin.

Go in peace. Share the harvest.

Thanks be to God.

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DINKEY MEMORIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS November 9, 2025

The Altar Flowers are sponsored today by the Haviland family in memory of Craig and Angelika's parents.

The Bulletins are sponsored today by Mr & Mrs Norm Wetzel in honor of great granddaughter Maya's birthday.

Flower and bulletin charts for **2025** are on the bulletin board above the stairs. You may either sign up on the charts or by calling the office at 610-377-4242. It is appreciated if you pay for your sponsorship by the end of the month that you have sponsored. All weeks are open for the Memorial Bowl. It is very important for flower sponsors to return the cans and plastic gold bowls that they take the flowers home in. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

The Week Ahead:

Today	9:00AM	22nd Sunday after Pentecost Worship
	12:30PM	Confirmation (SJ)
Wednesday	9:00AM	Morning Prayer
Thursday	9:30AM	Bible Study
Sunday	9:00AM	23rd Sunday after Pentecost Worship

Office Hours:

Monday, Thursday, Friday 9:00AM to 2:00PM; (610)377-4242

Today we celebrate the baptism of Quentin Andrew Joseph, son of Jay and Jenette Joseph. We pray for God's blessings on Quentin throughout his life in Christ.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! November 9 to November 15

11/10 Maya Styron	11/12 Dallas Biegley
11/11 Judith Atherholt	11/13 Jordan Curran
11/11 Angelika Haviland	11/13 Nora Oswald
11/11 Kelly Heiland	11/13 Tara Weiss

<u>Congregational Meeting</u>: A Congregational meeting will be held on November 16, 2025 after service to elect council members and approve the proposed 2026 budget. Please plan to attend.

<u>Giant Gift Cards</u>: If you would like to purchase any Giant Gift Cards please see Kathy Steigerwalt. We receive 5% from each gift card sold.

<u>Fundraising</u>: Dinkey is selling Streak free cloths; \$5 each. Please contact Jan in the office if interested.

<u>Fundraising:</u> Pick up for filling and pumpkin roll is November 24, 2025 from 2 to 5 and November 25, 2025 from 4 to 6.

<u>Trees for Troops</u>: Dinkey will again be collecting money for Trees for Troops. There are collection buckets in the back of the church. There will be Trees for Troops program on Friday, December 5, 2025 at 10:00 AM at Yensers Tree Farm. All are welcome.

St John's Lutheran Church, 319 South Ave, Jim Thorpe will be hosting a concert by BQE Strings in honor of all veterans, past and present today, November 9, 2025 at 3:00PM. Free admission for veterans, \$20 for adults, children 10 and under Free.

2025 Free Thanksgiving Meal: Five churches; Zion Stone West Penn, St Peter's West Penn, St John's Mahoning, Dinkey Memorial Ashfield and Ben Salem UCC Andreas are sponsoring a free Thanksgiving meal on Saturday November 22nd 2025. This will be a drive-thru pickup, at Ben Salem UCC 1965 Church Hill Rd. Lehighton, PA. 18235 from 1 to 3pm that day.

You must pre-register to receive your free meal by calling Nancy Meiser at 570-205-9267, Monday thru Friday, 9am to 4 pm. Registration begins November 3rd and ends on November 17th. If Nancy is unable to answer your call, please leave your name, phone number and number of meals you are requesting. There are a limited number of meals available.

Worldwide Children's Remembrance Day: Trinity Lutheran Church in Lehighton will be sponsoring a children's remembrance day (for those who have passed away) for all parents, grandparents, siblings, and friends on Sunday, December 14 2025 at 2:30PM. This event is hosted by Dylan and Gavin's Rainbow Ministry. Dinner and a ceremony featuring a candle lighting ritual & slide show to honor your beloved child, grandchild or sibling will be provided. RSVP & photo deadline is Wednesday, December 3, 225. Contact & send photos to: Dylan and Gavin's Rainbow Ministry.

<u>Stained Glass Windows</u>: Help preserve our stained glass windows by making a donation today. Your support will help us complete the work necessary to repair and upgrade the windows and preserve them for the future. You can donate by marking "Stained Glass Windows" on your envelope and memo line of your check, or by scanning the QR code to download the Vanco Mobile app. Thank you for your support and commitment to this project.

Dinkey Memorial Stained Glass Window Repair Pledge of Support



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WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

<u>Ministers</u> :	The Congregation Reverend Anthony Pagotto		
Pastor:			
Interim Music Director :	Coleen Rudelitsch		
<u>Greeters</u> :	Everett		
Acolytes:	Bryn Schleicher		
Lector:	Elizabeth Matz		
Worship Participants for November 16, 2025:			
<u>Greeters</u> :	Frey		
Acolytes:	Maggie Bowman		
	Colby Solt		
Lector:	Brian Schell		

Borning Cry



- 1 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.
- 2 "When you heard the won-der of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
- 3 "In the mid-dle a ges of your life, not too old, no lon ger young,



I re-joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un-fold. you were raised to praise the liv-ing Lord, to whom you now be-long. I'll be there to guide you through the night, com-plete what I've be-gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well; If you find some-one to share your time and you join your hearts as one, When the eve-ning gent-ly clos-es in and you shut your wea-ry eyes,



in a blaze of light you wan-dered off to find where de-mons dwell." I'll be there to make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun." I'll be there as I have al - ways been, with just one more sur - prise."



4 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.



I re-joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold."

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I Know That My Redeemer Lives!



- 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!

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Blessed Assurance



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