Our Savior's Lutheran Church and Christian School

October 25, 2026

10:00AM

Welcome!

Opening Hymn: 657 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God *sts. 1–4*

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Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

O God, You have commanded us to love You above all things and our neighbors as ourselves. Grant us the Spirit to think and do what is pleasing in Your sight, that our faith in You may never waver and our love for one another may not falter; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Songs of Faith and Praise

A Mighty Fortress (Our God is a Consuming Fire)
Come Jesus Come

Sharing in the Peace

(People may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).)

First Reading **Revelation 14:6-7**

Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to
proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and
people. 7 And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the
hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the
sea and the springs of water."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle *Romans 3:19-28*

19 Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the
law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held
accountable to God. 20 For by works of the law no human being[c] will be justified in
his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

21 But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law,
although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— 22 the righteousness of God
through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: 23 for all
have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 and are justified by his grace as a
gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom God put forward as a
propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's
righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. 26 It
was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the
justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

27 Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law
of works? No, but by the law of faith. 28 For we hold that one is justified by faith
apart from works of the law.

A This is the Word of the Lord. **C Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel John 8:31-36

31 So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are
truly my disciples, 32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." 33
They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to
anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

34 Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a
slave[b] to sin. 35 The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains
forever. 36 So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And 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. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sermon Pastor Patrick Singh

Prayer of the Church

Offering Only By Grace By Gerrit Gustafson, Arr. Lloyd Larson

Offertory - Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (LSB 805)

Service of the Sacrament

Prayer of Thanksgiving LSB 178

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C **Amen.**

P Hear us as we pray and as He taught us - **The Lord's Prayer**

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **Amen.**

Distribution

Communion Hymns:
My Faith Looks Up to Thee, Lutheran Service Book LSB 702
Yet Not I but Christ in Me
What Wondrous Love is This
I Stand in Awe

Post-Communion Collect

℗ Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

ℂ **Amen.**

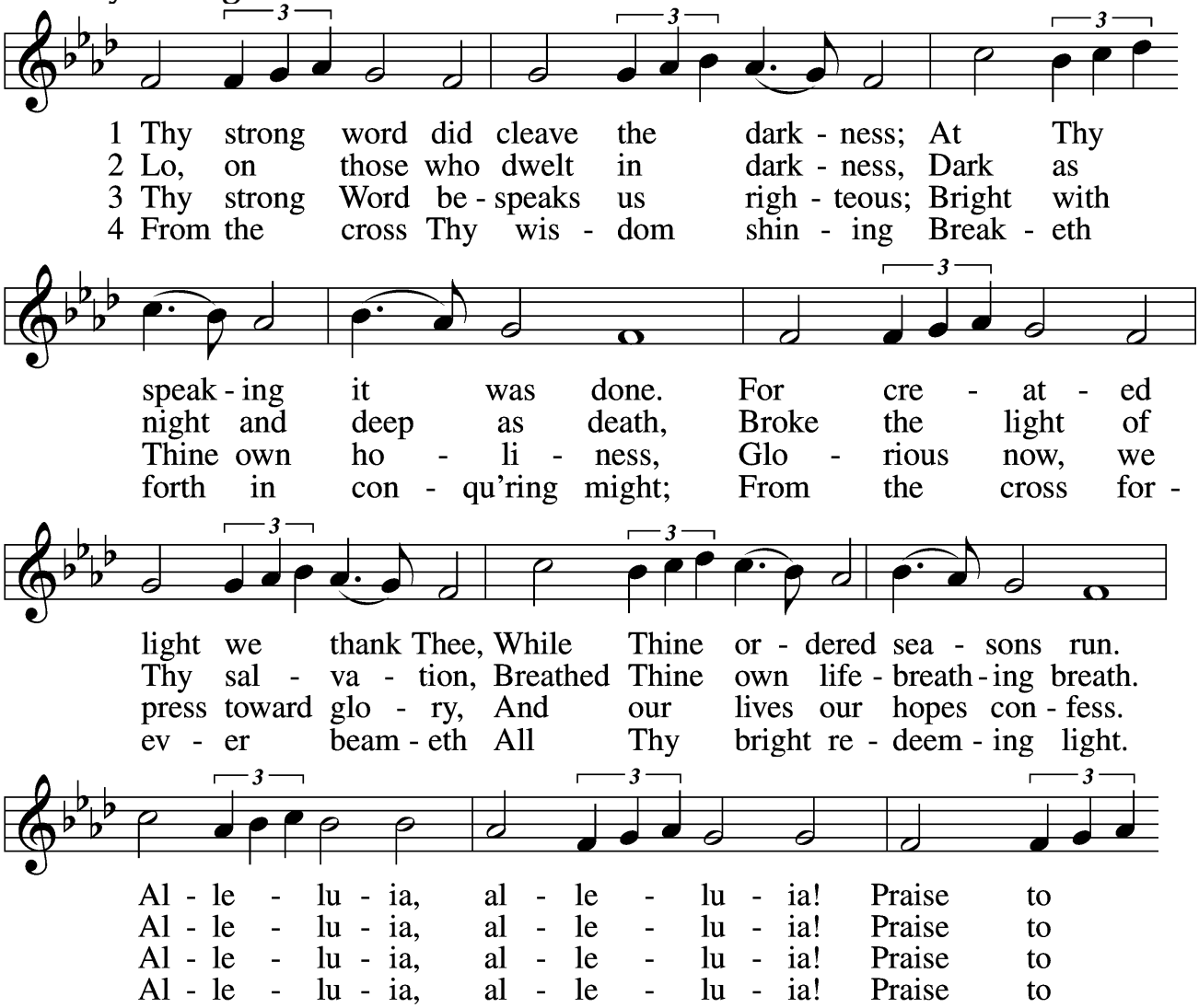
Benediction

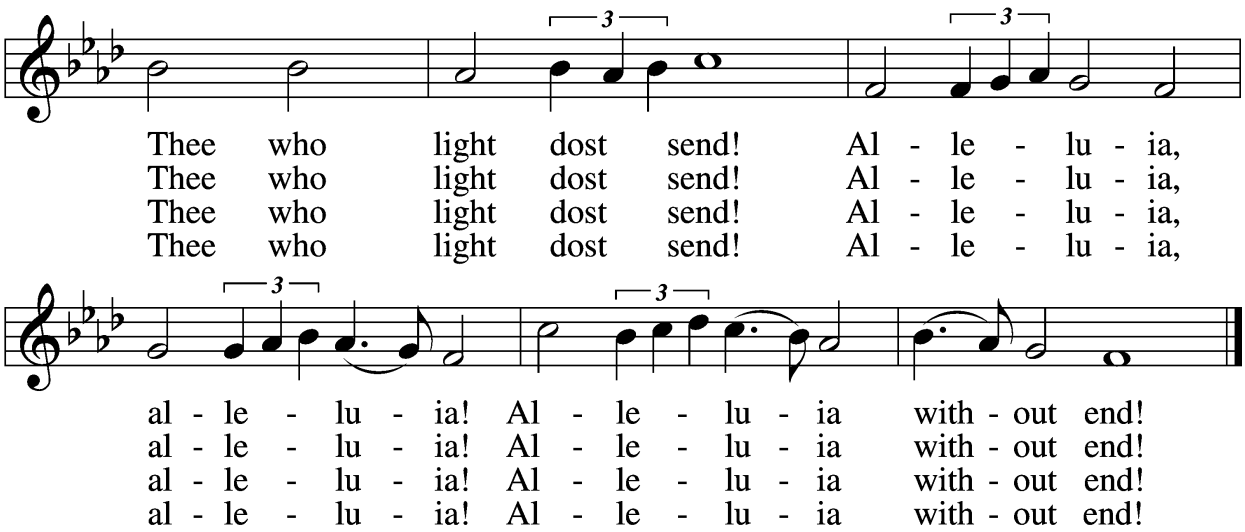
℗ The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and grant you peace.

ℂ **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

578 Thy Strong Word *sts. 1–4*





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P Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Announcements

Preparing for Holy Communion: The Bible teaches us that we need to examine ourselves before coming to the Lord's Supper (1 Cor 11: (I Cor11:23-31). Please examine yourself with these four questions. 1. Are you sorry for your sins? (I John 1:8) 2. Do you believe that Jesus is your Savior who forgives all your sins? (I Timothy 1:15) 3. Are you determined to live a holy life? (Ephesians 2:10) 4. Do you believe that Christ's Body and Blood are present in, with, and under the bread and wine in the Lord's Supper, thus you receive all four elements? (Matthew 26:26-28)

Prayer Needs
Healing: Barb Bruso, Toni Cramer, Fred Dignon, Kathy Hawley, Ned Johnson, Barbara MacGowan, Patty Marshall, Jennifer Noble, Jim Ryan, Eric Unright, Dave Wolcott, Tim Zuelsdorf
Homebound: Inge Glidden, Joan & Walter Weis
in **Assisted Living:** Marga Hildenbrandt, Helen Walck

Servers
Worship Music: Heather Baird & Tom Aery
Communion: Mike Irmer & Peter Kemmer
Greeters: Cheryl Pangburn & Eileen Wheeler
Prayers: Ike & Sue Wallace
Reader: Jeremy Noble
Ushers: Clarence Ballou, Matt Hans

Voters Assembly: The members attending Voters Assembly on October 11th approved a recommendation by the Church Council to hire a Coordinator of Church Operations to assist Pastor Mark in administrative tasks and supporting ministries. Reports that were distributed at the meeting are available in the tract rack.

Portals of Prayer a daily devotional booklet is now available in the narthex. This latest edition of Portals of Prayer contains devotions for October-December. Take extra booklets to share with others.

Launch Pad is a free play area for young children, infants-four years old, accompanied by an adult. Launch Pad is open on Tuesday and Friday mornings, 10-11:30, on days that school is in session. Come with your children or grandchildren and invite others. This is a good way to connect with families in our community.

Coat Donations Needed for Conifer Park
Conifer Park has an **immediate need for men's and women's coats**, and we have an opportunity to help! If you have coats to donate, please bring them to church on Sunday and place them in the **cloak closet**, or drop them off at the church office during the week. We will continue collecting coats throughout November and December.
Please note: This coat collection is in addition to our regular clothing donations for Conifer Park residents on the second Sunday of each month.

Operation Christmas Child: Our Savior's Christian School is gathering items to put in shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child, a ministry of Samaritan's Purse. The shoe box gifts will be distributed to children in underdeveloped countries, giving us a tangible way of sharing Jesus' love with these children. A collection box for shoe box donations is in the narthex or you may drop off gifts at the school office between 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday-Friday.
All donated items should be brought in by November 6th. A list of suggested items is posted in the narthex.

Hike Planned Justin Alvis and Gary Shadick are planning a hike at Vroman's Nose in Schoharie on **Saturday, November 7th.** The hike will start at 10 a.m. and will take about 2-3 hours. Hikers will get lunch at the Carrot Barn after the hike. The hike is moderately challenging - about 1-2 miles each way with a little rough terrain. All are invited. Contact Justin (518/221-9715) for more information.

Nominations for Church Council and Elders are now being received. We will be voting on three positions on Church Council: Financial Officer (currently held by Jeremy Noble who is open to serving another three years) and two Member-at-Large positions (currently held by Arin Cross who is willing to serve again and by Heather Baird who has served two consecutive three year terms and is ineligible to be nominated at this time. Contact Greg Schoonmaker (gregschoon@juno.com or 518/862-5141) if you have names to submit for those Council positions. Contact Brian Dollard (brianjdollard2@gmail.com or 518/888-2930) if you have names to submit for Elder nominees (including the names of our two current Elders - Brian Dollard and Tom Aery).