

## Order of Service – 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost – Nov 26, 2023 10 AM Consecration Sunday

**Presiding:** Pastor Bart

**Preaching:** Pastor Randy Fiege

**Music Team:** Brock & Merry Jo's,

**Welcome to worship!**

If you are a visitor today, please pick up a gift bag and learn more about our programs at the Welcome Table at the back of the narthex. Grab a coffee and mingle or sit for a conversation in the "Gateway." If your children require a quiet place during the service, feel free to take them to the narthex near the fireplace area.

If you are a visitor, we welcome you to come forward for communion. If your children have gone through communion instruction, they are welcome as well. If they are not taking communion, please bring them forward for a blessing. If you would like personal prayer this morning, you are invited to meet with our prayer team in the narthex either before or after you have taken communion. Individual prayer is also available following the service.

**OPENING HYMN: We Are All One in Mission WOV #755** (Tune - I love to Tell the Story)

We are all one in mission; we are all one in call,  
Our varied gifts united by Christ the Lord of all.  
A single great commission compels us from above  
To plan and work together that all may know Christ's love

We all are called to service, to witness in God's name.  
Our ministries are different; Our purpose is the same:  
To touch the lives of others with God's surprising grace,  
So every folk and nation may feel God's warm embrace.

Now let us be united, and let our song be heard.  
Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming Word.  
We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,  
Our varied gifts united by Christ the Lord of all.

Text: Rusty Edwards, b. 1955  
Music: Finnish Folk tune, 19<sup>th</sup> cent.; arr. Joel Martinson  
Text c 1986 Hope Publishing Co.  
Arr. C 1992 Augsburg Fortress

**LIGHTING THE CANDLES**

**WELCOME – Pastor Bart**

## **Rock of My Salvation**

You are the Rock of my salvation, You are the strength of my life.  
You are my hope and my inspiration, Lord, unto You will I cry.

I believe in You, I believe in You, For Your faithful love to me.  
You have been my help in time of need;  
Lord, unto You will I cleave.

**(Repeat All)**

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**OPENING PRAYER (All)** – Lord God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit we invite your presence into our worship this morning and consecrate this time to you. Be glorified in the preaching, in the singing, our praying and our meditation on your word. We ask all this in Jesus' name. Amen.

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

P: In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, beseeching Him, in the name of our Lord Jesus, to forgive the iniquity of our sin.

P: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Most merciful God.

**C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. Amen

## **THE GRACE (LBW, p. 57)**

L: 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.**

## **Prayer of the Day – 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Lord God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that, always keeping in mind the end of all things and the day of judgement, we may be stirred up to holiness of life here and may live with you forever in the world to come, through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **PSALM 95:1-7 (NIV)**

- <sup>1</sup> Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.  
<sup>2</sup> Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.  
<sup>3</sup> For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods.  
<sup>4</sup> In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him.  
<sup>5</sup> The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.  
<sup>6</sup> Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;  
<sup>7</sup> for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

## **SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:20-28 NIV**

<sup>20</sup> But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup> For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. <sup>22</sup> For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. <sup>23</sup> But each in turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. <sup>24</sup> Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. <sup>25</sup> For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup> The last enemy to be destroyed is death. <sup>27</sup> For he “has put everything under his feet.”<sup>[a]</sup> Now when it says that “everything” has been put under him, it is clear that this does not include God himself, who put everything under Christ. <sup>28</sup> When he has done this, then the Son himself will be made subject to him who put everything under him, so that God may be all in all.

## **Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46 NIV**

<sup>31</sup> “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. <sup>32</sup> All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. <sup>33</sup> He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. <sup>34</sup> “Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. <sup>35</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, <sup>36</sup> I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’ <sup>37</sup> “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? <sup>38</sup> When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? <sup>39</sup> When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’ <sup>40</sup> “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’ <sup>41</sup> “Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. <sup>42</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, <sup>43</sup> I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.’ <sup>44</sup> “They also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?’ <sup>45</sup> “He will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.’ <sup>46</sup> “Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.”

## **Hymn: Prepare my Heart**

A year has past, its Advent now,  
The things I've done remind me  
I've tried to be your survent Lord,  
And You're are coming back to find me

The days with prayer and things to share,  
There seams so much to do  
But the promise of eternity,  
Means I can be with You

Lord, help me prepare my heart, Guide me in all I do  
You're are coming back, you saved my soul  
Prepare my heart for You, for You, Prepare my heart for You, for You

I'll start with true to my confession, There are things I habe left undone  
And the fruits of my repentance, Will lead to Christ the Son

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I've tried to be your survent Lord, And You're are coming back to find me

Lord, help me prepare my heart, Guide me in all I do  
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## **Sermon – Pastor Randy**

## **OFFERTORY SOLO – Watch the Lamb – Pastor Randy**

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER (LBW, p. 68)**

P: Blessed are you.

**C: O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your Goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of Him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

## **SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE**

L: The Peace of the Lord be with you always

**C: And also with you**

## **PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY OF GOD**

**LORD'S PRAYER:** Our Father, who art in Heaven...

## **BENEDICTION**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS – Please see sheet attached**

## **SPECIAL ADVENT VIDEO ANNOUNCEMENT**

## **CLOSING HYMN: Lord Reign In Me**

Over all the earth You reign on high  
Every mountain stream every sunset sky  
But my one request Lord my only aim  
Is that You'd reign in me again

## **Chorus**

Lord reign in me reign in Your pow'r  
Over all my dreams in my darkest hour  
You are the Lord of all I am  
So won't You reign in me again

Over every thought over every word  
May my life reflect the beauty of my Lord  
'Cause You mean more to me  
Than any earthly thing  
So won't You reign in me again

## **Chorus**

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## **CLOSING COMMENTS - Pastor Randy**

### **LUNCH BLESSING - Pastor Randy**

P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

**Fill in your ESTIMATE OF GIVING CARD then come downstairs and join us for lunch**

### **SPECIAL MUSIC: Take My Life, and Let It Be LBW #406)**

Take my life, and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;  
Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of thy love;  
Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for thee

Take my will and make it thine; It shall be no longer mine.  
Take my silver and my gold, Not a might would I withhold.

Take my love; my lord, I pour At thy feet, its treasure store;  
Take my self, and I will be Ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, alt  
Tune: William H. Havergal, 1793-1870

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Week at a Glance:

Tuesday – 6:00 PM Christian Caregiving Ministry with soup

Wednesday – 10:00 AM Prayer time in sanctuary

Thursday – 10:00 AM Gospel of John final session until the New Year

Small Group Ministries – Various times during the week. Please contact Pastor Rick or the church office for details.

### Month in Advance:

November 30 – 10 AM Bible study on “John” lead by Pastor, after Nov 30 a break until the New Year

November 14, 21 & 28 – 6:00 PM Christian Caregiving session – soup and discussion

December 2 – 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM – Pop-Up Choir Rehearsal

December 3 – 10 AM Pop Up Choir at service and a Baptism

December 3 – 7:30 PM – Advent by Candlelight: Lessons and Carols

December 10 – 10:00 AM – Sunday School Christmas Program

December 13 – 10:00 AM – Grandparenting and the Faith

December 17 – 10:00 AM – Special Prayer at morning service for everyone

December 17 – 6:00 PM – Christmas Blues Dinner

December 23 – 8:00 AM – Men’s Breakfast

December 24 – 4:00 PM, 7:00 PM and 10:00 PM Christmas Eve Services

December 25 – 10:00 AM –Christmas Day Service

### Pray for St. Peter’s

Please remember to keep praying for the church, our pastors, leaders, members and their families.

**Consecration Sunday November 26, 2023** – Consecration Sunday is a time when we remember to pray to God for guidance, about how and what we give of time, treasure, and talents to God and his work in the world. Guest preacher, Rev. Randy Fiege from Sundre. Lunch to follow.

### Advent Devotions

Please remember to pick up a copy of the Advent Devotions booklet at the Welcoming Table. You will be receiving daily videos in your inbox beginning Monday, November 27. Make sure Tim has your email so you can be blessed by these wonderful devotional videos. Thanks Elaine and Pastor Paul.

### Advent by Candlelight

Join us for our Advent by Candlelight: Evening of Lessons and Carols on **December 3 at 7:30 PM**, featuring the St. Peter’s Pop-Up Choir. It will be a meaningful and reflective start to the Advent season as we prepare our hearts and minds for the coming of God into the world through His Son, Jesus. This is a wonderful opportunity to invite family, friends and neighbour’s.

### “Surprising Questions That Jesus Asked” – Preaching Series (Pastor Rick)

“I’ve always been curious about the questions Jesus asked – sometimes answered, and sometimes not. For a few months, I am going to dig more deeply into these questions. Check on the big bulletin board in the narthex to see what question is coming up next. Read the gospel that I will be exploring as I prepare to preach. **Sunday, December 3: “What do you want me to do for you?”** (Mark 10:46-52)

**Christmas Blues – December 17 @ 6 PM**

Do you someone who is grieving the loss of some special this Christmas? Perhaps it's their first Christmas without this person. Invite them to Christmas Blues, an evening of remembering, fellowship and care. Let Tim know in the office if you will be attending or bringing someone to the evening.

**Christmas Invite**

Look at the Christmas season as an opportunity to invite strangers, neighbours, colleagues, friends and families to one of the activities offered during this time of the year. Such as the Ladies Advent Dinner, Advent by Candlelight, Christmas Blues Dinner, Sunday School Program or one of our Christmas eve service or the Christmas day celebration. This is a season to invite so people might experience the wonderful message of Emmanuel - God with us!

**December 17 Special Prayer Time at 10 AM Service.**

Prior to the onset of COVIS, at St. Peter's we occasionally gave opportunity for the entire congregation, as individuals or families to receive prayers for blessing or health. These were well received and we had many requests to for these to continue. We hope to have another opportunity for this on December 17·2023 at service.

October 2023 Monthly giving/Spending Report
