



NARRATIVE LECTIONARY 108

SOLOMON'S & REFORMATION WISDOM SUNDAY

Sunday, October 30, 2022 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Please turn off all cell phones.

If you are visiting with us today, we extend to you a particular welcome and invite your questions and comments.

Our entire worship service is printed in this worship folder for your convenience.

Hearing assistance devices are available in the Narthex.

Child care is available for children ages 5 years and under in the Child Care Area, across from the Life Together Hall.

In the order of service, the words
that are spoken by a leader are in regular type.

Words spoken by the assembly are in boldface type.

The congregation gathers at the baptismal font.

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM AND RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Member of the MVLC Church Council:

The following people desire to make public affirmation of their baptism as a sign of their participation in the life and work of the church of Christ.

They come to us as those affirming their faithful participation in the Body of Christ, and as Lutheran transfer members.

Sponsors stand near their new members as they are named.

- 丿 Paul and Aubrey Baker
- 丿 Logan Cantrell
- 丿 Paul and Jeanne Hoseth
- 丿 Kyra Kehm-Goins
- 丿 Kelvin and Angela Machumu
- 丿 Dave and Diane Obert
- 丿 Timmer Raup
- 丿 Chloe Robertson
- 丿 Tore Sleveland

Dear friends, we rejoice that you now desire to make public profession of your faith and assume greater responsibility in the life of our Christian community and its mission to the world.

Siblings in Christ: In Holy Baptism our Lord Jesus Christ received you and made you members of his Church. In the community of God's people, you have learned from his Word, God's loving purpose for you and all creation. You have been called to be witnesses to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

With the whole church, let us confess our faith:

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

Together we have mutually confessed our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed. Do you as new members intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in Holy Baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear his Word and share in his supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of our Lord Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

New members:

Yes, by the help of God.

Let us pray.

Gracious Lord, through water and the Spirit you have made these men and women your own. You forgave them all their sins and brought them to newness of life. Continue to strengthen them with your Holy Spirit, and daily increase in them your gifts of grace: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us welcome these new members.

We welcome you into this body in Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

*The congregation returns to their seats while singing
"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" on page 6.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN OF PRAISE • "A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 504



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
vour us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

CALL TO WORSHIP

By the waters of Babylon, there we wept when we remembered.

**By the waters of the kitchen sink, there we wept.
And on the living room couch, and in the empty school room,
and beside the makeshift dining room table office.**

How could we sing God's song in a strange land?

How could we sing God's song over Zoom?

By the waters of Babylon,

there we wept and remembered.

We remembered that ancient rhythm
of separation and homecoming,

**exile and return,
going out and coming in.**

You who are by the waters of Babylon: Come!

**From kitchens and home offices,
sidewalks and parking lots, we come!**

You who remembers and you who do not: Come!

**Sometimes remembering clearly,
sometimes confused by nostalgia, we come!
By car and by computer, we come!**

God goes with every exile;

God rejoices with every return.

In Babylon and Jerusalem,
in strange lands and familiar rooms,

**in sanctuaries and on screens,
in pews or chairs, couches or recliners,**

let us worship God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Generous God,
you gave your servant Solomon wisdom
so that he might
govern your people well.

Grant us your wisdom,
so that we might perform our life's duties
with gratitude and wisdom.

We pray these things
in the name of Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Sit.

SEASON OF GENEROSITY TEMPLE TALK

ACCLAMATION OF SCRIPTURE

Behold, I Make All Things New

Leader:



Al-le-lu - ia! Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.____



Al-le - lu - ia!____

Al-le - lu - ia!____

Al-le - lu - ia_____



Al-le - lu - ia!____

Al-le - lu - ia!____

Al-le - lu - ia_____

READING

A reading from the first book of the Kings.

1 Kings 3:4-28

⁴[King Solomon] went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. ⁵At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, “Ask what I should give you.” ⁶And Solomon said, “You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ⁷And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?”

¹⁰It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹God said to him, “Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹²I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. ¹³I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you. ¹⁴If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life.”

¹⁵Then Solomon awoke; it had been a dream. He came to Jerusalem where he stood before the ark of the covenant of the LORD. He offered up burnt offerings and offerings of well-being, and provided a feast for all his servants.

¹⁶Later, two women who were prostitutes came to the king and stood before him. ¹⁷The one woman said, “Please, my lord, this woman and I live in the same house; and I gave birth while she was in the house. ¹⁸Then on the third day after I gave birth, this woman also gave birth. We were together; there was no one else with us in the house, only the two of us were in the house. ¹⁹Then this woman’s son died in the night, because she lay on him. ²⁰She got up in the middle of the night and took my son from beside me while your servant slept. She laid him at her breast, and laid her dead son at my breast. ²¹When I rose in the morning to nurse my son, I saw that he was dead; but when I looked at him closely in the morning, clearly it was not the son I had borne.” ²²But the other woman said, “No, the living son is mine, and the dead son is yours.” The first said, “No, the dead son is yours, and the living son is mine.” So they argued before the king.

²³Then the king said, “The one says, ‘This is my son that is alive, and your son is dead’; while the other says, ‘Not so! Your son is dead, and my son is the living one.’” ²⁴So the king said, “Bring me a sword,” and they brought a sword before the king. ²⁵The king said, “Divide the living boy in two; then give half to the one, and half to the other.” ²⁶But the woman whose son was alive said to the king—because compassion for her son burned within her—“Please, my lord, give her the living boy; certainly do not kill him!” The other said, “It shall be neither mine nor yours; divide it.” ²⁷Then the king responded: “Give the first woman the living boy; do not kill him. She is his mother.” ²⁸All Israel heard of the judgment that the king had rendered; and they stood in awe of the king, because they perceived that the wisdom of God was in him, to execute justice.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN’S SERMON + SERMON

Pastor Briana Merkle.

Stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY • "HOLY WISDOM, LAMP OF LEARNING"

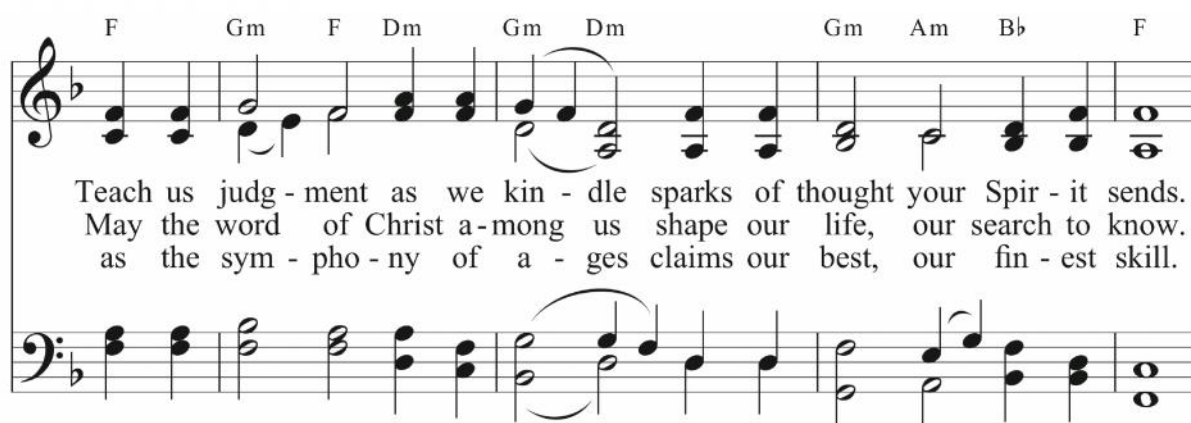
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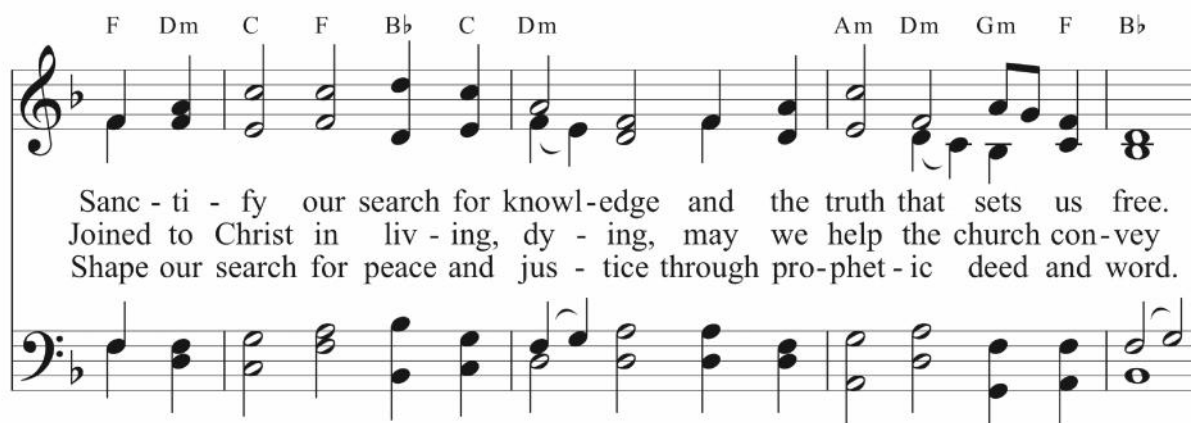
1 Ho - ly Wis - dom, lamp of learn - ing, bless the light that rea - son lends.
 2 Vine of truth, in you we flour - ish; by your grace we learn and grow.
 3 Ho - ly God, the hope of na - tions, tune us toward your right - eous will,

F Gm F Dm Gm Dm Gm Am Bb F



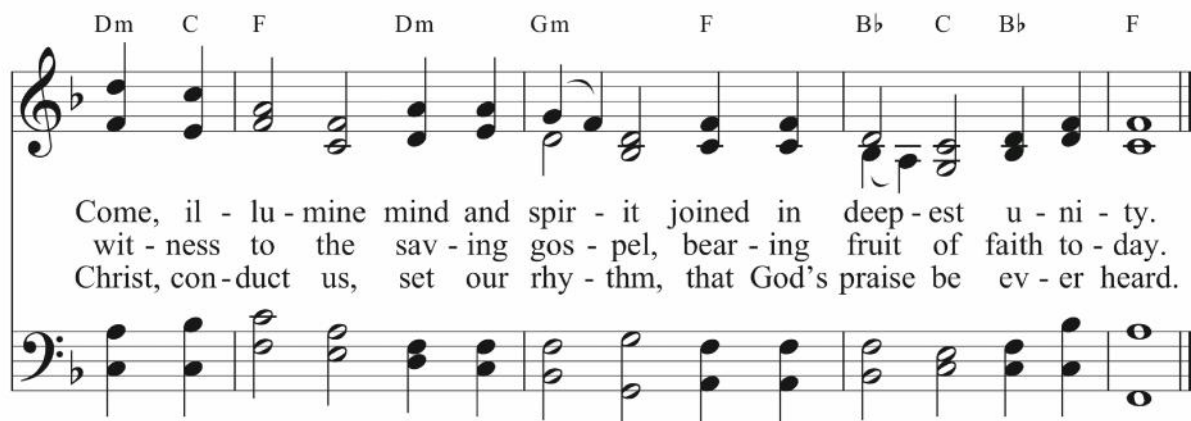
Teach us judg - ment as we kin - dle sparks of thought your Spir - it sends.
 May the word of Christ a - mong us shape our life, our search to know.
 as the sym - pho - ny of a - ges claims our best, our fin - est skill.

F Dm C F Bb C Dm Am Dm Gm F Bb



Sanc - ti - fy our search for knowl - edge and the truth that sets us free.
 Joined to Christ in liv - ing, dy - ing, may we help the church con - vey
 Shape our search for peace and jus - tice through pro - phet - ic deed and word.

Dm C F Dm Gm F Bb C Bb F



Come, il - lu - mine mind and spir - it joined in deep - est u - ni - ty.
 wit - ness to the sav - ing gos - pel, bear - ing fruit of faith to - day.
 Christ, con - duct us, set our rhy - thm, that God's praise be ev - er heard.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

In gratitude and humility,
let us join together in prayer
on behalf of all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

At the conclusion of each petition:

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

With grateful hearts we commend our spoken
and silent prayers to you, O God;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Sit.

OFFERING

The people gather and disperse, gather and disperse.

It is the way of life with God.

As with the people, so with our money:

gather and disperse, gather and disperse.

As with the people, so with our money:

the more we gather, the more we can disperse.

As with the people, so with our money:

the gathering is good, but the giving,

the sending out into the world, is even better!

It's the heart of the heart of everything!

Friends, the offering will now be gathered and sent,

all for the sake of "a future with hope."

You can mail an offering to:

Mountain View Lutheran Church

3505 - 122nd Ave E

Edgewood WA 98372

You can give electronically:

ONLINE via the MVLC WEBSITE

-) Visit www.mtviewlutheran.org.
-) Hover over the "GIVE" dropbox.
-) Choose "Make a Donation via Bank Account" or "Make a Donation via Credit/Debit Card."
-) Fill out all information on the page and then click the blue "GIVE" button.
-) If you want it to remember your information, visit "SIGN IN" and create an account.
-) NOTE: Online giving is a one-time gift unless you check "Make this Gift Recurring."

OFFERTORY

“Pater Noster”

MVLC Sanctuary Choir

Stand.

OFFERING PRAYER

Together, we pray.

**God of love,
give us the courage to be commissioned,
the generosity to give,
and the wisdom to send ourselves and our money
where you would have them go;
in the name of our Good Shepherd,
the One who lives in exile with us, the One who leads us home.
Amen.**

Behold, I Make All Things New

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, Almighty God,
through our Savior, Jesus Christ,

who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection
opened to us the way of everlasting life.

So, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth
and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name
and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS • "HOLY, HOLY, HOLY"

Behold, I Make All Things New

Sing each line once.



1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might



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



3. Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord

*To conclude, we will sing all three lines at the same time;
doing such twice.*

You choose which line (1, 2, or 3) you want to sing each time.

(So you will sing line 1, line 2, line 3, line 1/2/3, line 1/2/3.)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom
and teach us to pray:

**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.**

COMMUNION

Christ invites you to this table.
Come, taste and see.

Sit.

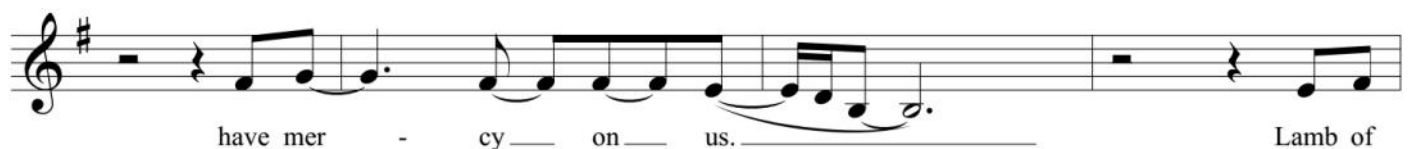
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If gluten-free wafers are required for health reasons, then please ask the pastor serving communion for a wafer.

LAMB OF GOD • "LAMB OF GOD"

Behold, I Make All Things New



COMMUNION HYMN • "I COME WITH JOY"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 482



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are
3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion
4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call in
fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in
ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and
near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -
done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me,
Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.
strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.
live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here,
love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

COMMUNION HYMN • “ONE BREAD, ONE BODY”

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 496

Stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of the abundant table,

**you have refreshed our hearts in this meal
with bread for the journey.**

**Give us your grace on the road
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

DEACON SENDING

Deacons are called to “make Christ
and his redemptive love known by word and example.” (1 Timothy)

Such love is expressed in the extension of Holy Communion
to those who are homebound or hospitalized.

O God of tender compassion,

**as you healed the sick and welcomed the stranger,
bless those who leave this assembly to share the gifts of this table
with our sisters and brothers who are sick or homebound.**

**May they be sustained by the love and prayers
of this community, and by the Bread of Life
that satisfies all hunger, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING

The time for sending is here, for separation, for dispersal, for exile.

It will not last forever; to return is our destiny.

We will be together again, and the question then will be:
what did you do with your time when we were apart?

May the God who is the home of the exile,
Jesus, who was and is an exile himself,
and the Spirit, who goes with us as we love and serve,
be with you until we meet again.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN • "WE ARE MARCHING IN THE LIGHT"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 866



Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -
We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march - ing in the



nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',
light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God,



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
we are march - ing in the light of God.

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
we are march - ing in the light of, the light of God.

Si - ya - ham - ba _____
We are march - ing _____

oo _____
oo _____



Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba,
We are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing, march - ing,

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen-, kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
 we are march - ing in the light of, the light of God.

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
 we are march - ing in the light of God.

Si - ya - ham - ba
 We are march - ing

Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba,
 We are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing, march - ing,

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
 we are march - ing in the light of God.

We are dancing...
 We are praying...
 We are singing...

SENDING

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

*Flowers on the altar
are given to the glory of God
by Karen Urstad.*

*Quilts on the rows of chairs are for sale.
The cost is \$45 per quilt and proceeds allow the MVLC Quilters
to purchase quilting materials such as batting and fabric,
in order that they may create more quilts for distribution
to those in need around the world through
the mission and ministry of Lutheran World Relief.*

Upcoming stories from the Bible:

NOVEMBER 6
Elisha Heals Naaman • 2 Kings 5:1-15a

NOVEMBER 13
Micah • Micah 1:3-5; 5:2-5a; 6:6-8

NOVEMBER 20
Swords into Ploughshares • Isaiah 36:1-3, 13-20; 37:1-7; 2:1-4

NOVEMBER 27
Faith as a Way of Life • Habakkuk 1:1-7; 2:1-4; 3:3b-6, 17-19

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Worship leaders include:

Both services

- J PREACHER: Pastor Eric Bostrom.
- J PRESIDER: Pastor Briana Merkle .
- J ASSISTING MINISTER: Bob Linden.
- J DIRECTOR of MUSIC MINISTRIES: Brenna Sage.
- J VIDEOGRAPHER: David Burch.
- J ALTAR GUILD: Jacque Fauber, Janice Harrison, Diksha Knierim.

8:15 a.m.

- J USHERS: Janice Harrison, Skip Harrison (head usher), Chris Ray.
- J GREETER: Anne Roff.
- J COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Jeanne Anderson, Anne Roff.
- J LECTOR: Mary Beth Dahl.

10:45 a.m.

- J USHERS: Erik Knierim (head usher), Keith Wright, Bob Yost.
- J ACOLYTES: Alison Hutton, Colin Hutton.
- J COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Terry Jensen, Diksha Knierim.
- J LECTOR: Megan Hutton.
- J SOUND: Beth Ann Johnson.

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SEASON OF GENEROSITY

The Season of Generosity takes place on three consecutive Sundays—10/30, 11/6, and 11/13. It is a time to celebrate with gratitude and joy all that God has done, is doing, and will continue to do in and through us. Join us for these special Season of Generosity events:

2023 Spending Guideline Preview.

9:30 a.m. on Sunday 11/6 in the Life Together Hall.

MVLC Treasurer Jason Cornell presents the work and recommendations of the Finance Team and Church Council. Additionally, we will hear brief presentations from some of our benevolence recipients and ministry partners on what our giving means to their mission and ministry in the world on our behalf.

Consecration Brunch.

9:30 a.m. on Sunday 11/13 in the Life Together Hall.

We gather for faith, food, and fellowship as we celebrate the joy of giving.

Pledge Cards.

8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. on Sunday 11/13 in the Sanctuary.

We fill out and bring forward our pledges of giving for 2023 as an act of worship.

*For surely I know the plans I have for you...plans for your welfare...
to give you a future with hope. —JEREMIAH 29:11*

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CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

We gather at 12 noon on Sunday 11/20 in the Life Together Hall for our annual Congregational Meeting. Orders of business will include voting to approve the 2023 Spending Guideline and electing lay voting members to the 2023 Southwestern Washington Synod Assembly.

There will also be an opportunity for members to join the meeting via Zoom, for those unable to attend in person. The Zoom meeting information and link will be sent out via the MVLC E-news closer to the date.