

Join us for a night of family fun at

SCHWARZWALD LUTHERAN CHURCH

250 CHURCH LANE ROAD, JACKSONWALD



(RAIN OR SHINE)

TODAY!

4:30 PM-6:30 PM

(SET UP 3:30-4:30 PM)

-  COME IN COSTUME!
-  DECORATE YOUR TRUNK!
-  CHILDREN UNDER 12 MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.

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22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST OCTOBER 20, 2024

HYMNS ON THE CARILLON

PRELUDE SELECTIONS. Kutztown University Trombone Choir

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME Leader: This is the day that the LORD has made!
 Congregation: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

PRELUDE Kutztown University Trombone Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP—RINGING THE BELLS

Please stand.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P Merciful God,

C we confess that we are captive 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.

C Amen.

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

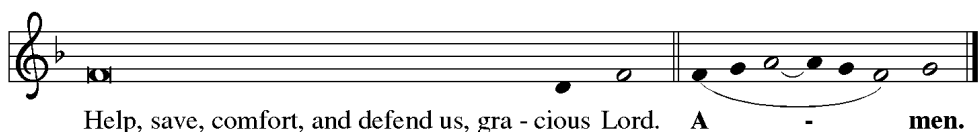
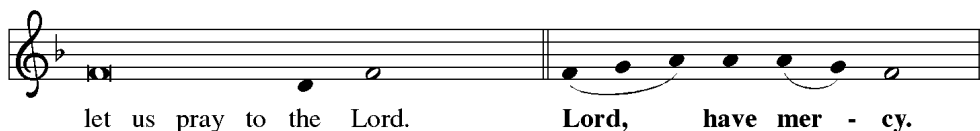
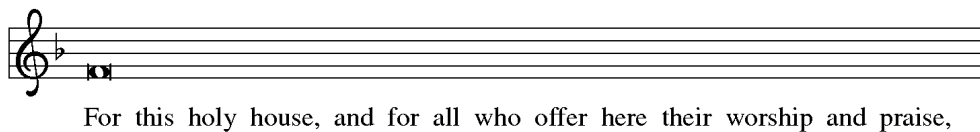
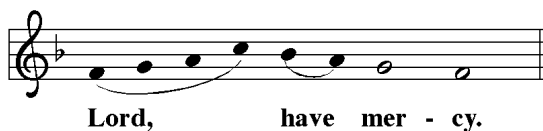
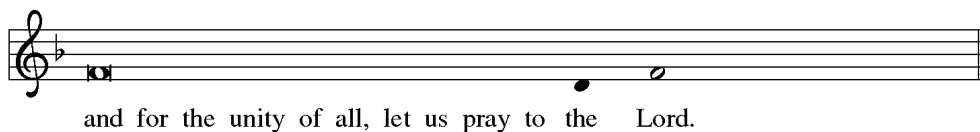
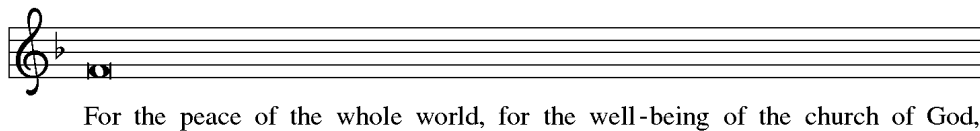
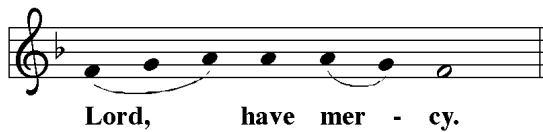
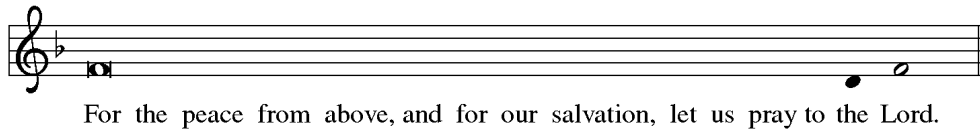
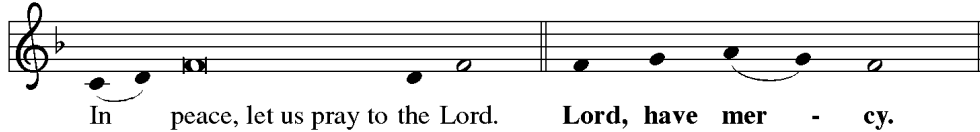
GATHERING HYMN #781 *Children of the Heavenly Father*

GREETING

P 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.

KYRIE



MARK YOU CALENDARS!!

COME, GATHER, PREPARE

Advent FESTIVAL

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2024

(following worship)

11:45 AM-1:45 PM in FELLOWSHIP HALL



11:45 — 12:15 Light lunch — pizza , veggies

12:15 — 1:15 Crafts and activities

1:15 — 1:45 Lighting of the outside Advent wreath,
gather for crafts and dessert

PIZZA LUNCH

MUSIC

CRAFTS FOR CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND ADULTS

+ A SPECIAL "PREPARE & SHARE" TABLE FOR OLDER KIDS AND
ADULTS TO MAKE DECORATIONS FOR SHUT-INS

LIGHTING OF THE FIRST OUTDOOR ADVENT CANDLE

Invite your friends and come for an afternoon of fellowship as we
prepare our hearts and minds for the coming of the Christ Child!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome The Rev. Richard Bardo as our supply pastor this morning.

We thank the Kutztown University Trombone Choir and their Director, Mr. Dan Neuenschwander, for sharing their time and talents with us this morning. Their music is a wonderful enhancement to our worship experience!

If you are a visitor, a special welcome to you, and if you are without a church home, we invite you to join our fellowship. You are also encouraged to sign our guest register with your preferred contact information. If you do not have a Bible at home, please take one from the welcome table.

The **altar flowers** are presented to the glory of God and sponsored 1) by Heather Hafer and Evelyn Claus in honor of Steph's 40th birthday, and 2) by David and Susan Johns in honor of Susan's sister, Mary, daughter, Jen, and great-granddaughter, Bella.

Large print bulletins and hearing receivers are available in the Narthex. Please see an usher for assistance.

Children's toys, games, puzzles and books are available in the Narthex.

NEXT SUNDAY IS REFORMATION SUNDAY— WEAR RED!

Last Sunday's Current Envelopes Offering:

Budgeted income \$4,038.00

Actual income \$3,137.00

WE ARE IN NEED OF ALTAR FLOWER & BULLETIN SPONSORS!!!

\$25 per flower sponsor and \$14 per bulletin sponsor (2 sponsorships available per week for each). There are sign-up sheets in the narthex. Thank you!

Cooler Weather, Different Foods for the Little Free Pantry

Fall weather has arrived, and we are able to place a greater variety of foods in the Little Free Pantry. Acceptable food items include:

soup ready-made meals apple sauce canned meats
canned fruit peanut butter jelly canned vegetables
beans rice oatmeal boxes of cereal pasta juice boxes

You will find a collection box for your items in the Narthex. As always, thank you for supporting this ministry.

Our 9th Annual Toy Drive has begun!!

Collection boxes are in the breezeway near the church office, in Fellowship Hall and in the Narthex.

Distribution will take place here at SLC on December 13, 2024

Please watch upcoming bulletins for additional information.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S CIRCLEThe Rev. Richard Bardo

FIRST READING Isaiah 53:4-12

⁴Surely he has borne our infirmities
and carried our diseases;
yet we accounted him stricken,
struck down by God, and afflicted.

⁵But he was wounded for our transgressions,
crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the punishment that made us whole,
and by his bruises we are healed.

⁶All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have all turned to our own way,
and the Lord has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.

⁷He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
yet he did not open his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,
so he did not open his mouth.

⁸By a perversion of justice he was taken away.
Who could have imagined his future?
For he was cut off from the land of the living,
stricken for the transgression of my people.

⁹They made his grave with the wicked
and his tomb with the rich,
although he had done no violence,
and there was no deceit in his mouth.

¹⁰Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain.
When you make his life an offering for sin,
he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days;
through him the will of the Lord shall prosper.

¹¹Out of his anguish he shall see light;
he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.

The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous,
and he shall bear their iniquities.

¹²Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great,

and he shall divide the spoil with the strong;
because he poured out himself to death,
and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many,
and made intercession for the transgressors.

A The word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 91:9-16 *read responsively* Kailey Batzel Psalm Reader

⁹Because you have made the LORD your refuge,
the Most High your dwelling place,
¹⁰**no evil shall befall you,
no scourge come near your tent.**
¹¹For he will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.
¹²**On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.**
¹³You will tread on the lion and the adder,
the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.
¹⁴**Those who love me, I will deliver;
I will protect those who know my name.**
¹⁵When they call to me, I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them.
¹⁶**With long life I will satisfy them,
and show them my salvation.**

SECOND READING Hebrews 5:1-10

¹Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; ³and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. ⁴And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son, today I have begotten you”;

⁶as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.”

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

A The word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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Jesse Gibney Assisting Minister
Denton Quick Usher Team Captain
John Gibson Acolyte
Sally Kennedy, Judy Ney, Ian Carr Carillonneurs
The Kerber Family Zoom Masters

**Church-time Nursery is available downstairs in
the “Parent and Me” room with plenty of toys and books
for toddlers and youngsters.**

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Please stand.

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir -
 it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
 not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store to me the
 joy of your sal-va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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

BLESSING

P God all mighty,
 God most merciful
 † bless you, keep you,
 and give you peace.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN #389 Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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.

P The Gospel according to Mark.
 C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

HOLY GOSPEL Mark 10:35-45

³⁵James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” ³⁶And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” ³⁷And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” ³⁸But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” ³⁹They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.”

⁴¹When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴²So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.
 C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

SERMON The Rev. Richard Bardo

Please stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY

#804 *Come Down, O Love Divine*

APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 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.**

**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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

A brief silence.

A Holy One, we give thanks for all servant leaders of the church. Bless bishops, pastors, and deacons with humble wisdom and ground them in your love. God of grace,
C hear our prayer.

A Creative One, we give thanks for the delicate balance of the natural world. Kindle in us a spirit of caring strength in the preservation of habitats, food availability, and centers of refuge, that all wildlife may thrive. God of grace,
C hear our prayer.

A Empowering One, fill the leaders of governments with a spirit of service that prioritizes those on the margins due to job loss, underemployment, unsafe working conditions, and immigration status. May economic equity be achieved for all people. God of grace,
C hear our prayer.

A Restoring One, send your angels to watch over, rescue, and protect those who are injured or ill. Nurse those who suffer hardship, disease, injury, or difficulty with your comfort and peace, especially,

Barbara Hafer
Joan Smith
Jan Bertolet
Charlene Hoff
Tracy Rohrbach

Barry Hoover
Janice Smithson
Tom Bowersox
Joanne Miuccio

Bob Pendi
Alice Specht
Barry Hecker
Jayne Phillips

We pray for all those concerns and people we quietly name who we hold in our hearts.

(Silent prayers)

God of grace,
C hear our prayer.

A Abiding One, you call pastors to shepherd the congregation toward faithful living as servants and followers of Jesus. Inspire all ordained ministers and seminarians to ministry that challenges, engages, and comforts those in their care.

God of grace,
C hear our prayer.

A Saving One, we give thanks for the disciples James and John and all saints who have faithfully served you. We rejoice in a promised place at the feast of victory that we receive by your grace alone.

God of grace,
C hear our prayer.

P Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.

C Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE

P The peace of our Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Share the peace with one another.

Please be seated.

OFFERING

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