

Welcome to Edison Lutheran Church

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Lutheran Church

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Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
18 October 2026
10:30 am

Welcome to worship!

Masks are welcome. If you are joining us from your car,
please tune your radio to 98.7 FM or join us for the
livestream via Facebook or our website, elcbow.org.

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Holy Communion

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If you are a visitor with us, thank you for being here. We invite you to sign our attendance book and the guest book in the Narthex. **Children are welcome** in worship. *Children's bulletins* are available from the ushers. Also, Children's Activity Bags, located in the back of the sanctuary on the right side to use during the service.

We celebrate Holy Communion every Sunday and extend the invitation to all who are baptized to receive Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sin.

◆ *indicates the congregation stands as able*

Prayer cards are available in the pews. If you have a prayer concern or a thanks that you would like included in the Prayers of the People, fill out the card and ushers will collect them from end of pews during reading of first lesson.

Gathering

10:25 am Pre-Service Music for Meditation and quiet gathering

BELL TOLL

WELCOME AND GREETING

PRELUDE

"Andante"

- Felix Mendelssohn

◆ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

AM In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

AM God of all mercy and consolation,
come to the aid of your people,
turning us from our sin to live for you alone.
Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that,
attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins,
receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

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

AM Gracious God,

C have mercy on us.

**We confess that we have turned from you
and given ourselves into the power of sin.**

We are truly sorry and humbly repent.

**In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown,
things we have done and things we have failed to do.**

**Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit,
so that we may live and serve you in newness of life
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

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 unto 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.

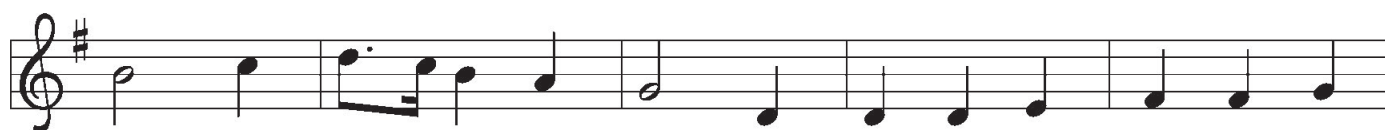
◆ GATHERING HYMN "You Servants of God"

ELW 825

All Verses



1 You ser - vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim, and pub - lish a -
 2 As - cend - ed on high, al - might - y to save, yet still he is
 3 Sal - va - tion to God who sits on the throne! Let all cry a -
 4 Then let us a - dore and give him his right, all glo - ry and



broad his won - der - ful name; the name, all - vic - to - rious, of
 nigh, his pres - ence we have. The great con - gre - ga - tion his
 loud and hon - or the Son. The prais - es of Je - sus the
 pow'r and wis - dom and might, all hon - or and bless - ing, with



Je - sus ex - tol; his king - dom is glo - rious and rules o - ver all!
 tri - umph shall sing, as - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Je - sus, our king!
 an - gels pro - claim, fall down on their fac - es, and wor - ship the Lamb.
 an - gels a - bove, and thanks nev - er ceas - ing, and in - fin - ite love!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.

Music: LYONS, attr. Johann Michael Haydn, 1737–1806



◆ 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

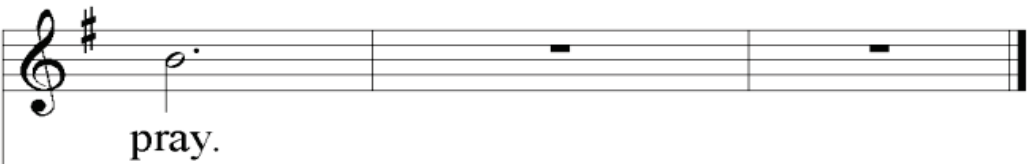
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Cantor



In peace, in peace, to you, O God,— we

Cantor



pray.

Cong.



God of love— have— mer - cy.

(last time) A—men.

Cantor: For broken lives and broken hearts we pray:

Cong: God of healing, have mercy.

Cantor: For the unity of your church everywhere we pray:

Cong: God of hope, have mercy.

Cantor: That we might know the forgiveness you promise we pray:

Cong: God of grace, have mercy.

Cantor: For your parting gift of peace, O Lord, we pray:

Cong: A-----men.



◆ HYMN OF PRAISE

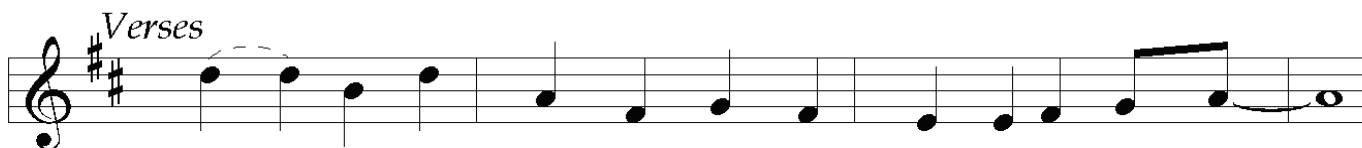
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Refrain: Glory to God in the high - est and peace, peace to God's

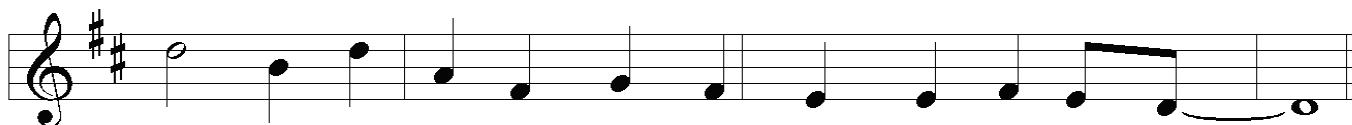


people. Glo-ry to God in the high - est and peace, peace on earth.



1. Let___ ev' - ry moun-tain shout the glo - ry of our God. ___

2. Praise to God Cre - a - tor, we sing praise to Je - sus Christ. ___



All crea-tures lift their hearts and praise God's ho-ly name. ___ (*Refrain*)

Praise to the Spir-it, ev - er pres - ent in our lives. ___ (*Refrain*)



◆ PRAYER OF THE DAY

AM Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

(Please pass prayer cards to the aisle)

Word

FIRST READING

Isaiah 45:1-7

The prophet announces that Cyrus the Persian emperor is the one the Lord has anointed to end Israel's exile. The Lord makes this choice so that the whole world will recognize this Lord as the only God. Persia had a god of light and a god of darkness; the Lord claims sovereignty over both light and darkness.

¹ Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whose right hand I have grasped
to subdue nations before him
and to strip kings of their robes,
to open doors before him—
and the gates shall not be closed:

² I will go before you
and level the mountains;
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
and cut through the bars of iron;

³ I will give you the treasures of darkness
and riches hidden in secret places,
so that you may know that it is I, the LORD,
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

⁴ For the sake of my servant Jacob
and Israel my chosen,
I call you by your name;
I give you a title, though you do not know me.

⁵ I am the LORD, and there is no other;
besides me there is no god.

I arm you, though you do not know me,
⁶ so that they may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is no one besides me;
I am the LORD, and there is no other.

⁷ I form light and create darkness,
I make weal and create woe;
I the LORD do all these things

L Word of God. Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalms 96:1-9

Ascribe to the Lord honor and power. (Ps. 96:7)



- ¹ Sing to the LORD | a new song;
sing to the LORD, | all the earth.
- ² **Sing to the LORD, bless the name | of the LORD;
proclaim God's salvation from | day to day.**
- ³ Declare God's glory a- | mong the nations
and God's wonders a- | mong all peoples.
- ⁴ **For great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised,
more to be feared | than all gods.**
- ⁵ As for all the gods of the nations, they | are but idols;
but you, O LORD, have | made the heavens.
- ⁶ **Majesty and magnificence are | in your presence;
power and splendor are in your | sanctuary.**
- ⁷ Ascribe to the LORD, you families | of the peoples,
ascribe to the LORD hon- | or and power.
- ⁸ **Ascribe to the LORD the honor due the | holy name;
bring offerings and enter the courts | of the LORD.**
- ⁹ Worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness;
tremble before the LORD, | all the earth.

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Paul gives pastoral encouragement and reassurances to new Christians living in an antagonistic environment. Their commitment of faith, love, and hope makes them a model for other new Christian communities.

¹ Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

² We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly ³ remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴ For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵ because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶ And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy from the Holy Spirit, ⁷ so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸ For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. ⁹ For they report about us what kind of welcome we had among you and how you turned to God from idols to serve a living and true God ¹⁰ and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

L Word of God. Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God.



◆ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Bonnie Drewes

Pastor first time, congregation second time



◆ HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22:15-22

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the twenty-Second chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

After Jesus begins teaching in the temple, religious leaders try to trap him with questions. First they ask if God's people should pay taxes to an earthly tyrant like Caesar.

¹⁵ The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶ So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one, for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷ Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?" ¹⁸ But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹ Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰ Then he said to them, "Whose head is this and whose title?" ²¹ They answered, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's." ²² When they heard this, they were amazed, and they left him and went away.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor John Guthridge

SERMON

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All Verses

Refrain/Estribillo



To - ma, oh Dios, mi vo - lun - tad, y haz - la tu - ya, na -
Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord,



da más; to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón
to thee; take my mo - ments and my days;

To stanzas *Last time*



y tu tro - no en él ten - drás. ten - drás.
let them flow in cease - less praise. less praise.



1 Que mi vi - da en - te - ra es - té
1 Take my hands and let them move
2 Take my sil - ver and my gold,
3 Take my voice and let me sing
4 Take my will and make it thine;



con - sa - gra - da a ti, Se - ñor;
at the im - pulse of thy love;
not a mite would I with - hold;
al - ways, on - ly for my King;
it shall be no lon - ger mine;



que a mis ma - nos pue - da guiar el im -
take my feet and let them be swift and
take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry
take my lips and let them be filled with
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall

Refrain/Estribillo



pul - so de tu a - mor.
beau - ti - ful for thee.
pow'r as thou shalt choose.
mes - sag - es from thee.
be thy roy - al throne.

◆ 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.

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.



◆ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

AM Hear us, O God. **C** Your mercy is great.

Meal

◆ THE PEACE IS SHARED

AM The peace of the Lord be with you all. **C And also with you.**

*The peace is shared with one another with the words,
“The peace of the Lord,” or similar words.*



Offertory

“Alleluia: Sing To Jesus”
(tune: Hyfrydol) - setting, Wilbur Held

Congregation remains seated while offering is collected.



THE OFFERING *The ministry of Edison Lutheran Church is financially supported entirely by the donations of members and visitors. Your gift furthers this congregation’s ministry to those in need, helps foster fellowship, and promotes the spread of the life-giving gospel of Jesus Christ. Donations may be put in the offering plate, sent by mail, or given online by visiting our website or scanning the QR code to the right. We appreciate your generosity!*



◆ OFFERTORY HYMN

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We of - fer these to you: our -
selves, our time, our pos - ses - sions, signs of your gra - cious
love. And we bring this bread and wine, that
they may become your bod - y and your blood in the meal we
share. We of - fer our hopes and our vi - sions,
joys and pain. We are blessed with so much you have
giv - en us; help us share it in your name. Show
us what we can do to use these gifts to your
glo - ry so that oth - ers may know your love.

◆ THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Let us pray.

C **God of creation,
you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly.
All blessings are from you;
make us generous with what we have.
Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts
in service to you and in love to our neighbors,
today and always.
Amen.**

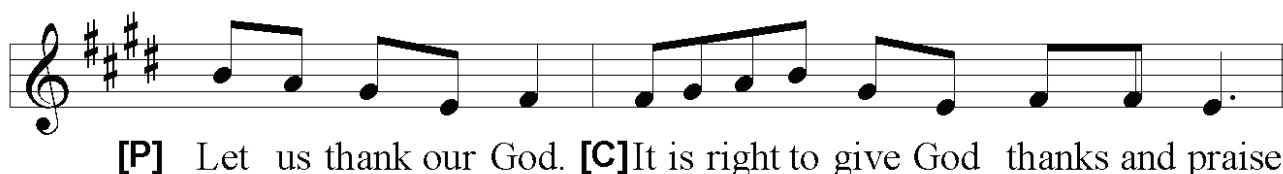
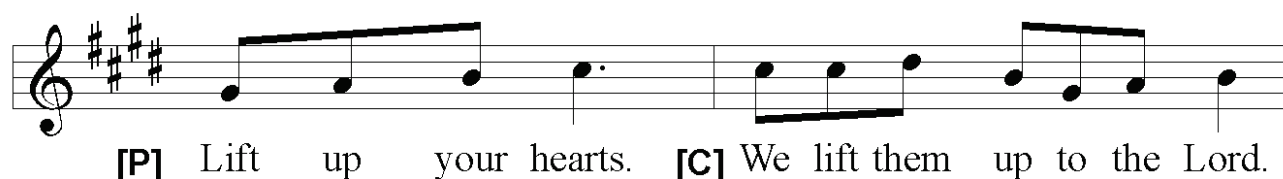
COMMUNION *All who are baptized in the common faith of Jesus Christ crucified are welcome to receive communion. We believe that the body and blood of our Lord is truly present in the sharing of bread and wine. Children are welcome to commune at the discretion of their parents. Those who do not receive the bread and wine are welcome to receive a blessing. White grape juice is also available.*

If you desire to commune at the altar rail: Holy Communion at the altar is served in groups. To prevent crowding, please wait in your place until directed by the Ushers. Be sure to bring your cup with you. At the altar rail, you'll be served a small piece of bread and have wine or grape juice poured into your cup. After you have communed, wait for the pastor to dismiss you back to your place.

If coming forward is difficult: Please let an usher know that you would like to receive communion at your seat. After those coming to the altar have been served, Pastor will bring communion to you at your seat.

◆ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Bonnie Drewes



P "We should at all times and in all places offer our thanks and praise to you, ...

.... with the host of heaven and on earth we sing your praise....."



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of in - fin - ite



wis - dom and strength. Heav - en and earth are



full of your glo - ry, ho - sa — na. Yet, we come to



you — to-day; be with us now in this time and this place.



We re-mem-ber the pro-mise you gave us so long a -



go: — You said this bread is your bod-y, —



bro - ken and shared with us all; — This cup, your blood, is for-



give - ness, — new life and hope for us all —



new life and hope for us all.

P In the night in which he was betrayed

Do this for the remembrance of me.

◆ 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.**

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

"Lamb of God"

ELW 195

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Music: *Bread of Life*, Jeremy Young, b. 1948
Music © 1995 Augsburg Fortress.

Instrumental music for quiet reflection

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sending

ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ BENEDICTION

P The peace of God,
Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit,
keep your hearts and your minds
in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

◆ SENDING HYMN "Sending Song"

Bonnie Drewes

Music on opposite page

◆ SENDING

AM Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

(tune: Ar hyd y nos) - setting, Wilbur Held

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◆SENDING HYMN

"Sending Song"

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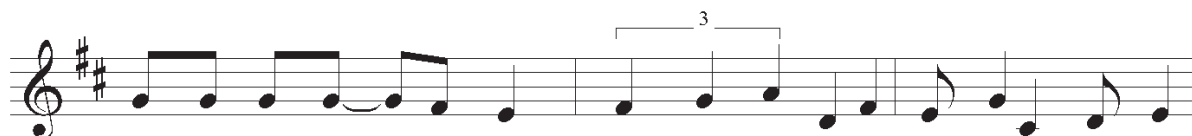
We go out from this place, — and we scat-ter like seeds,



scat-ter like seeds in the wind and your love sets us gent-ly down. —



We are called to bring light — to this world of con - fusion; —



help us re-mem - ber this meal and this day as we go out from this



place. We are called to make justice, — we are called to bring peace, — to



reach out to those a-round us, — to pray and lis - ten and teach. As



we go out from this place — and we scat-ter like seeds,



help us re-mem — ber this meal and this day as we



car - ry your Word — to the world.

Edison Lutheran Church - Welcoming.....Nurturing.....Serving

Thank you to all who serve in worship!

	Serving Sunday October 18	Serving Next Sunday October 25
Presiding Minister	Pastor John Guthridge	Pastor John Guthridge
Music Ministers	Barbara Fredrickson Peter Blau Ormsby	Barbara Fredrickson Peter Blau Ormsby
Assisting Minister	Kaycee Stubben	Eva Killogjeri
Acolyte	Julia Benson	
Lector	Jenny Kress	Susie Aarstad
Greeters	Trygve Knutzen Jean Miller	Hayden Knutzen Stephanie Knutzen
Ushers	Mike Miller Judy Bendtsen	Bud & Bonnie Bowers
Altar Guild	TBD Amber Lagerlund	Amber Lagerlund TBD
Fellowship Hosts	Keith & Christie Peterson RuthAnne Pocock Rondi Peth	Kat Clark Katy Olson Mandy & Alex Englund
Flowers	Shirley Brick	
Council Member of the Day	Jim Zielinski	Keith Gundersen

Scripture Readings for next Sunday, October 25th, are:

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalms 46

Romans 3:19-28

John 8:31-36

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