

Harvest Sunday November 24, 2024

Prelude

BELIEVING

Announcements & Temple Talk

Gathering Song JUST A CLOSER WALK WITH THEE

I am weak, but Thou art strong Jesus, keep me from all wrong I'll be satisfied as long as I walk Dear Lord, close to Thee

CHORUS:

Just a closer walk with Thee Grant it, Jesus, is my plea Daily walkin' close to Thee Let it be, dear Lord, let it be Through this world of toils and snares If I falter, Lord, who cares? Who with me my burden shares? None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee

When my feeble life is o'er And time for me will be no more Guide me gently, safely o'er To Thy kingdom, dear Lord, to Thy shore

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

O Lord, maker of all things, you open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature. We praise you for crowning the fields with your blessings and enabling us once more to gather in the fruits of the earth. Teach us to use your gifts carefully, that our land may continue to yield its increase, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Song of Praise

All my words fall short I got nothing new How could I express All my gratitude I could sing these songs As I often do But every song must end And You never do

CHORUS:

So I throw up my hands And praise You again and again 'Cause all that I have is a hallelujah Hallelujah I know it's not much But I've nothing else fit for a King Except for a heart singing hallelujah Hallelujah

Children's Bible Story

First Reading JOEL 2:21-24, 26

²¹ Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the Lord has done great things!
²² Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears its fruit, the fig tree and vine give their full yield.
²³ O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before.
²⁴ The threshing floors shall be full of grain,

GRATITUDE

I've got one response I've got just one move With my arms stretched wide I will worship You

BRIDGE:

So come on my soul Don't you get shy on me Lift up your song 'Cause you've got a lion inside of those lungs Get up and praise the Lord. (3x) the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

²⁶ You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

There's a land that is fairer than day And by faith we can see it afar For the Father waits over the way To prepare us a dwelling place there

CHORUS:

In the sweet by and by We shall meet on that beautiful shore In the sweet by and by We shall meet on that beautiful shore

Gospel MATTHEW 6:25-33

IN THE SWEET BY AND BY

We shall sing on that beautiful shore The melodious songs of the blessed And our spirits shall sorrow no more Not a sigh for the blessing of rest

To our bountiful Father above We will offer our tribute of praise For the glorious gift of His love And the blessings that hollow our days

²⁵ "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷ And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁸ And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹ Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' ³² For it is the gentiles who seek all these things, and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

CHORUS: There is none like You No one else can touch my heart like You do I could search for all eternity long And find there is none like You (2x)

THERE IS NONE LIKE YOU

BRIDGE:

Your mercy flows like a river wide And healing comes from Your hands Suffering children are safe in Your arms There is none like You

Prayers of Intercession

After each petition the congregation responds: *Merciful God, receive our prayer.*

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING SONG

Some glad morning when this life is over I'll fly away To that home on God's celestial shore I'll fly away

CHORUS: I'll fly away oh glory I'll fly away (in the morning) When I die hallelujah by and by I'll fly away

I'LL FLYAWAY

When the shadows of this life have gone I'll fly away Like a bird from these prison walls I'll fly I'll fly away

Just a few more weary days and then I'll fly away To a land where joys will never end I'll fly away

OFFERING PRAYER

God of Goodness,
We set these offerings before you, the work of our hands, the harvest of our labors.
You have given us plenty and more! We rejoice in your bounty! Thank you.
Bless these gifts and all the fruits of this year's harvest.
Fill our lives with good things and make us generous givers so that all can share in your goodness.
Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Words of institution

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

This is Christ's table and Christ welcomes each and every single one of you.

All who desire the Lord's Supper are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion. Following the usher's invitation, come forward along the center aisle. Receive the wafer of bread in your hands. You may also request a glutenfree wafer. Then take a small cup from the tray: white grape juice is in the center and red wine is around the edge. Deposit your cup in the basket when you are finished and return to your seat down the side aisle. We invite children and those not receiving the bread and wine to come forward to receive a blessing.

Communion Song

THE BOOK

Prayer After Communion

Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way. **Amen.**

Blessing

May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of God, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always. **Amen.**

Sending Song WILL THE CIRCLE BE UNBROKEN

Postlude

I was standing by the window On one cold and cloudy day And I saw the hearse come rolling For to carry my mother away

CHORUS:

Will the circle be unbroken Bye and bye Lord, bye and bye There's a better home awaiting Undertaker, Undertaker Please drive slow For this body you are hauling Lord, I hate to see her go

Oh, I followed close behind her Tried to hold up and be brave But I could not hide my sorrow When they laid her in the grave way

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Serving our congregation this morning:

Acolytes – Alex Tremonti and Marissa Tremonti Altar Guild – Laurie Sherman and Mindy Stadler Coffee Hour – Vassel Family and Bunge Family Financial Stewards – Dick Leonard and Brian DeLand Liturgical Minister – Kim Zietlow Media – Kelsey DeLand Organist – Ray Smith Special Music – Ol' Creek Road Ushers – Bill Zietlow, Head Usher; Roxie Boll, Chris Lietzke, Diane Schuyler, Jane Sondergeld & Adalyn & Ember Youth Lay Reader – Alex Tremonti

Schedule:

Sunday: Holy Communion - 9:00 AM Ol' Creek Road Parts Chosen for Christmas Program Sanctuary Decorating Party Monday: Dartball – Immanuel E Ida @ PoP – 7:30 PM Tuesday: AA - 7:00 PM Wednesday: Mid-Week Service – 7:00 PM Saturday: WELCA Cookie Bake – 9:00 AM

Coming Soon...

- Dec. 01 Play Practice 10:15 AM
- Dec. 03 Advent by Candlelight 6:30 PM
- Dec 05 Set up for Concert 10:00 AM
- Dec. 05 Siberian Solstice Concert 7:00 PM
- Dec. 06 Prepare Apple Dumplings
- Dec. 07 Bake Sale and WELCA Lunch
- Dec. 08 Play Practice
- Dec. 09 IKC Christmas Program & Party 6 PM
- Dec. 11 Dinner Church & Country Christmas Sing-Along 6 PM
- Dec. 14 Play Practice 10:15 AM
- Dec. 14 Movie Night & Gift Exchange 6:00 PM
- Dec. 18 Christmas Caroling 5:00 PM
- Dec. 22 Children's Christmas Program 9:00 AM
- Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Services 10 AM; 7 PM & 11 PM

Local Event...

Dec 08 – Old Time Christmas Carol Sing Along @ St. Paul Lutheran Church 7771 High St in Maybee @ 1 :30 PM. Spend a relaxing hour singing traditional carols of old featuring musicians from St. Paul's on piano, organ and trombone! The event is free. Contact 734-587-7035 with any questions.

This morning we welcome *Ol' Creek Road* as they share their muscial talents, leading us in worksip this morning.

Due to the timing of Advent, undecorating Harvest as well as setting up the tree, lights, ornaments, garland and other decorating all have to happen on today after church. Help is needed!

All kids who'd like to participate in the Children's Christmas Program will have the opportunity to sign up for parts during coffee hour this morning.

Anyone interested in assisting with the Children's Christmas Program, which takes place on Sun Dec 22 at 9 AM, should attend the planning meeting today.

WELCA needs your help again: this time focusing on the Siberian Solstice concert. Sat., Nov 30 we are making cookies to sell at the concert. Please join us at 9 AM in the Community Center. We will also need people to work in the kitchen during the concert. Please sign up in the narthex. Contact Kim Cramer at 313-600-9297 w/ questions.

Advent candlelighters and readers are needed for each Sunday Service during Advent. The first Sunday of Advent is December 01. Traditionally, a child(ren) would light the candle in the Advent wreath as a parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, etc. reads the special Advent reading. Please sign up in the narthex if you are interested in this.

Support God's Ministry at Prince of Peace

Give via our website: princeofpeaceida.org. You may also direct deposit or scan to donate:



When planning your holiday baking please keep the WELCA bake sale and homebound members in mind.

Ladies, remember to invite your family, friends, neighbors, and coworkers to the beautiful Advent by Candlelight on December 3. The event begins with appetizers and desserts in The Gathering Place at 6:30 PM. Then we head to the sanctuary to share a brief, song filled worship service as we begin the season of Advent. A stage crew is needed Thurs., Dec. 05 at 10 AM to set up for the Siberian Solstice Concert that evening. Help will also be needed afterwards to take down chairs and set up tables for the craft show.

Prep work begins Fri, Dec 6 for the luncheon served at the Christmas in Ida Craft show the following day. Help is needed Friday and Saturday for a variety of tasks. See the chart in the narthex and please sign up to help out, as you are able. Donations are needed, too.

We go caroling and deliver a box goodies to our homebound. There are 5 recipients this year. We're collecting small toiletry items and gifts, as well as cookies/candies. Non-perishable items can be dropped off in the church office. Monetary donations will be used to purchase fresh fruit. Perishable items should be delivered before 10am on December 15th - please be aware the caroling will not be until 3 days after the boxes are assembled. If you have questions or would like to donate toward the purchase of fresh fruit, please contact LeAnn Cottrell (734-751-3834) or Anita Hanson (734-731-2490). The boxes will be assembled during coffee hour. Thank you for remembering our homebound members!

Two people to represent our congregation are needed to attend the 2025 SE MI Synod Assembly in Westland, MI May 16-17. See Pastor if interested.

Thanks to each of you for or your generosity the October noisy offering of \$192.26 has been added to our Military Fund and will be used for postage to send gifts to our members in the military. In addition, the November noisy offering of \$213.27 has been sent to the Sleep in Heavenly Peace charity to insure no kid sleeps without a bed.

If you have a use for a pumpkin or straw bale, feel free to take one (or more) from the sanctuary after the service.



Poinsettias are traditionally placed around our altar on Christmas Eve in memory or in honor of loved ones.

 POINSETTIA ORDER FORM

 □ in Memory of
 or
 □ in Honor of:

<u>By:</u>

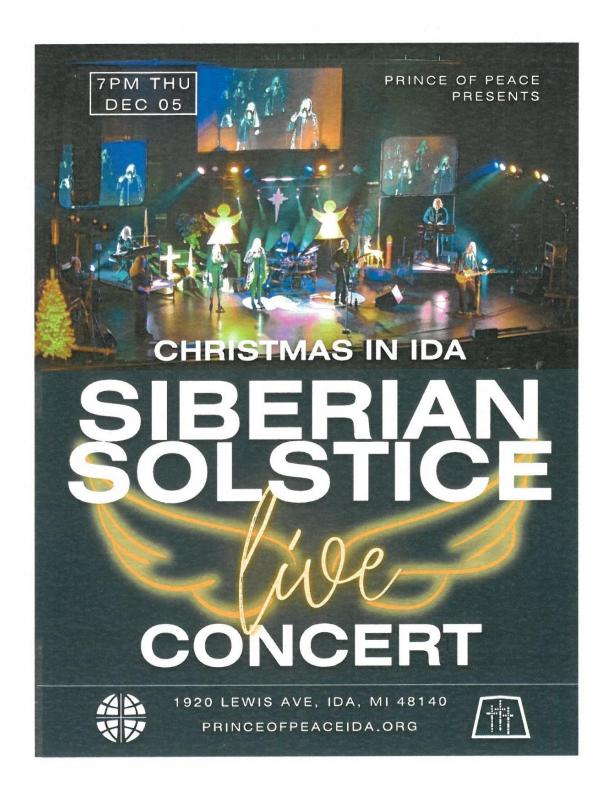
8.5" Triple \$32.00 ____Red ____Pink ____White ____Marble

6.5" Single \$11.50 ____Red ____Pink ____White ____Marble

Total Amount Enclosed \$

Deadline to place orders is today!











Caroling to our homebound will be on Wednesday, December 18 at 5:00 PM. Please consider going with us to deliver the holiday boxes and bring a smile to those who can no longer worship with us in church.