

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY/VETERAN'S DAY - November 7, 2021

VETERANS DAY

Rev. Thomas Boeck, Pastor

Rev. Ken Garazin, Seasonal Pastor

VISITING SCHOLAR - Dr. Dale Meyer

In-person worship with social distancing in place. MASKS RECOMMENDED

WORSHIP and STREAMING SCHEDULE

Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

MARCO LUTHERAN CHURCH FOUNDATION

www.marcolutheran.com/foundation

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday – Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. ▪ Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

UPDATED WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Through January 2, 2022, Sunday Worship will continue to be at 9:30 a.m.

Saturday worship will begin at 5:00 p.m. on January 8, 2022.

CHURCH STAFF & CONTACT NUMBERS

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THE SHIP OF THE CHURCH

For Christians, since the days of the apostles, *THE SHIP* has been a symbol for the Christian Church. The mast and yardarm form a simple *CROSS* (in wood) which stands for Jesus who saved us by giving Himself on a cross that we might be forgiven.

The *CHI RHO* ☩ (in metal) is a combination of the first two Greek letters of the name *Christ*, meaning "The Anointed One" or "The Messiah." *THE WAVES* symbolize the troubles and difficulties of life on earth. *THE SAILS* are filled with wind, a symbol of the Holy Spirit, which empowers the Church. Thus, the Christian Church, under the Cross of Christ carries the faithful safely across the troubled seas of life to heaven. As we come together for worship, the cross of Christ is before us. We choose, you and I, to worship with people for whom the cross is both the sign of salvation and the sign of Christ in our lives.

A special *welcome* to our guests today.

May you find grace and blessing in the time we spend together. If you are looking for a church home, please speak to the Pastor, the Lay Minister for the day, or an Usher. We would be most pleased to share with you ways in which you might become a regular part of our Christian fellowship.



HOLY COMMUNION – WHAT WE BELIEVE

In this Sacrament, Jesus gives us Himself, His true Body and Blood as we receive the bread and wine. On the night He was betrayed and before He was put to death, Jesus celebrated this Meal with His disciples assuring us that each time we receive it, we are again remembering His death and receiving the full benefits of His grace, namely the forgiveness of sin.

In 1 Corinthians 11, St. Paul says that we should “examine ourselves” ahead of time. We can do so each time by asking ourselves these basic questions:

- † **Do I acknowledge the fact that I am indeed a sinner and that I am sorry for my sin?**
- † **Do I believe that Jesus Christ is my Savior from all sin?**
- † **Am I trusting in Jesus’ promise that I receive full pardon and strength through this Holy Meal?**
- † **Do I believe that the body and blood of Jesus is truly present in, with and under the bread and the wine of Holy Communion?**
- † **Finally, with the Lord’s help, will I seek to amend my life and live in conformity with His Holy Will?**

Jesus Himself invites baptized followers, who believe in Him as their Lord and Savior, who recognize their sinful condition and who seek His forgiveness, to come to His Table to receive His precious Body and Blood. May the Lord bless your personal reception as well as your daily living under His power and blessing. Should you have questions, please see a Pastor or a Lay minister prior to the worship service. If you prefer not to participate in the sacrament, please cross your arms when coming forward to receive a blessing.

For those who prefer, **white grape juice is in the center of the tray**. There are also **gluten free wafers** by informing a distributing Host. For those who may have **difficulty coming to the front**, please **inform an usher** so that the Sacrament may be brought to you.

As We Gather



Today is one of those days on worship where we have two commemorations. One is the remembrance of all the saints in the faith who have gone before us. We take time out of our service to name those who died over the past year who were members of our congregation. But in our nation, we also take time to commemorate, and even to celebrate the gift of our veterans who have given so much of themselves for the people of this country to allow us all to remain free and to worship our God in peace without retribution or persecution. One might think that these are mutually incompatible ideas. But in fact, they are related. On one hand we see the dedication of our veterans to this nation and its people, and on the other hand, we commemorate those who have died in the faith and now await the final judgment when we and all believers will be reunited in the presence of God. Our veterans have made this country free and safe. The saints have shown us the way to our ultimate safety and freedom in the presence of God through faith in the death and resurrection of Jesus. We can celebrate and commemorate these truths together!

PRELUDE

RESOUND - Redemption Song

A Moment of *friendship and welcome*



✦ PREPARATION ✦

The congregational responses in this service are printed in **BOLD**

PLEASE STAND

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

HYMN

For All the Saints

LSB 677, v. 1,3,5,8



1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest,
3 Oh, may Thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,
5 And when the fight is fierce, the war - fare long,
8 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, Through



Who Thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, Thy
Fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old And
Steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song, And
gates of pearl streams in the count - less host,



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
win with them the vic - tor's crown of gold!
hearts are brave a - gain, and arms are strong.
Sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed are those whose strength is in the Lord,
People: **in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**

Pastor: You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich,
People: **for our sake He became poor, so that by His poverty we might become rich.**

Silence for personal reflection and confession

Pastor: Let us confess our sins to God our Father:
People: **I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and I pray for God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**

Pastor: The almighty and merciful Lord grants you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: **Amen.**

PLEASE BE SEATED

HYMN

The Battle Hymn of the Republic, v. 1,2,3

Text: Julia Ward Howe, 1819-1910 Music: USA campmeeting tune Tune: BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC Meter: 15 15 15.6 with Refrain

1. Mine eyes have seen the glory
of the coming of the Lord;
he is trampling out the vintage
where the grapes of wrath are stored;
he hath loosed the fateful lightning
of his terrible swift sword;
his truth is marching on.

Refrain:

Glory, glory, hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
His truth is marching on.

2. I have seen him in the watchfires
of a hundred circling camps,
they have builded him an altar
in the evening dews and damps;
I can read his righteous sentence
by the dim and flaring lamps;
his day is marching on.
(Refrain)

3. He has sounded forth the trumpet
that shall never call retreat;
he is sifting out the hearts of men
before his judgment seat;
O be swift, my soul, to answer him;
be jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching on.
(Refrain)

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

HYMN The Battle Hymn of the Republic, v. 4,5

4. In the beauty of the lilies
Christ was born across the sea,
with a glory in his bosom
that transfigures you and me;
as he died to make men holy,
let us die to make men free,
while God is marching on.

(Refrain)

Glory, glory, hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
His truth is marching on.

5. He is coming like the glory
of the morning on the wave,
he is wisdom to the mighty,
he is honor to the brave;
so the world shall be his footstool,
and the soul of wrong his slave.
Our God is marching on.

(Refrain)

✠ WORD ✠

FIRST LESSON

Revelation 7:9–17

Leader: ⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.” ¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” ¹⁴I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵“Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. ¹⁶They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND LESSON

1 John 3:1–3

Leader: ¹See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

MUSICAL MEDITATION

John Davis

PLEASE STAND FOR THE READING OF THE HOLY GOSPEL

HOLY GOSPEL

1 John 5:1-12

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifth chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:
³“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
⁴“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. ⁵“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. ⁶“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. ⁷“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
⁹“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.
¹⁰“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

PLEASE BE SEATED

SPECIAL MUSIC “ For God So Loved the World”

Guest Quartet: Laura Lang (soprano), Laura Carney (Alto),
Mike Bombyk (Tenor), Lucky Lang (Bass)

SERMON

Visiting Scholar: Dr. Dale Meyer

PLEASE STAND

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PLEASE BE SEATED

VETERAN'S DAY VIDEO & OFFERING PRAYER

HYMN

Seek Ye First

LSB 712



1 Seek ye first the king - dom of God, And His
2 Ask and it shall be giv - en un - to you, Seek and
3 Man does not live by bread a - lone, But by



right - teous - ness. And all these things shall be
ye shall find, Knock and the door shall be
ev - 'ry word That pro - ceeds from the



add - ed un - to you! Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
o - pened un - to you, Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
mouth of the Lord, Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Leader: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

For the Church, those who serve her as ministers and all her members, that we come with repentant hearts before the Lord and be grateful for the mercy that sustains us in this life and gives us life everlasting, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For our president, governor, Congress, legislators, judges, and magistrates, that we be protected from our enemies and preserved in freedom to serve the Lord without constraint and with clear conscience, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For our veterans and all who serve in the military, we thank our Heavenly Father, as these noble servants have committed themselves, including a promise to die for us and the freedoms we enjoy in this country. For our Lord's protection on these humble patriots also, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord have mercy.

Leader: For this congregation, our pastors and all our parish leaders, and the congregation & leadership of Thrive Estero, that the Lord equip us with a spirit of humility that we walk in His ways and confess faithfully His Gospel before all people, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the sick, the suffering, the aged, the infirm, those in their last days, and those who grieve for those they have lost, especially those who have requested our prayers, that the Lord grant them healing in accordance with His will, grace to endure the day of trouble, and peace at the last, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

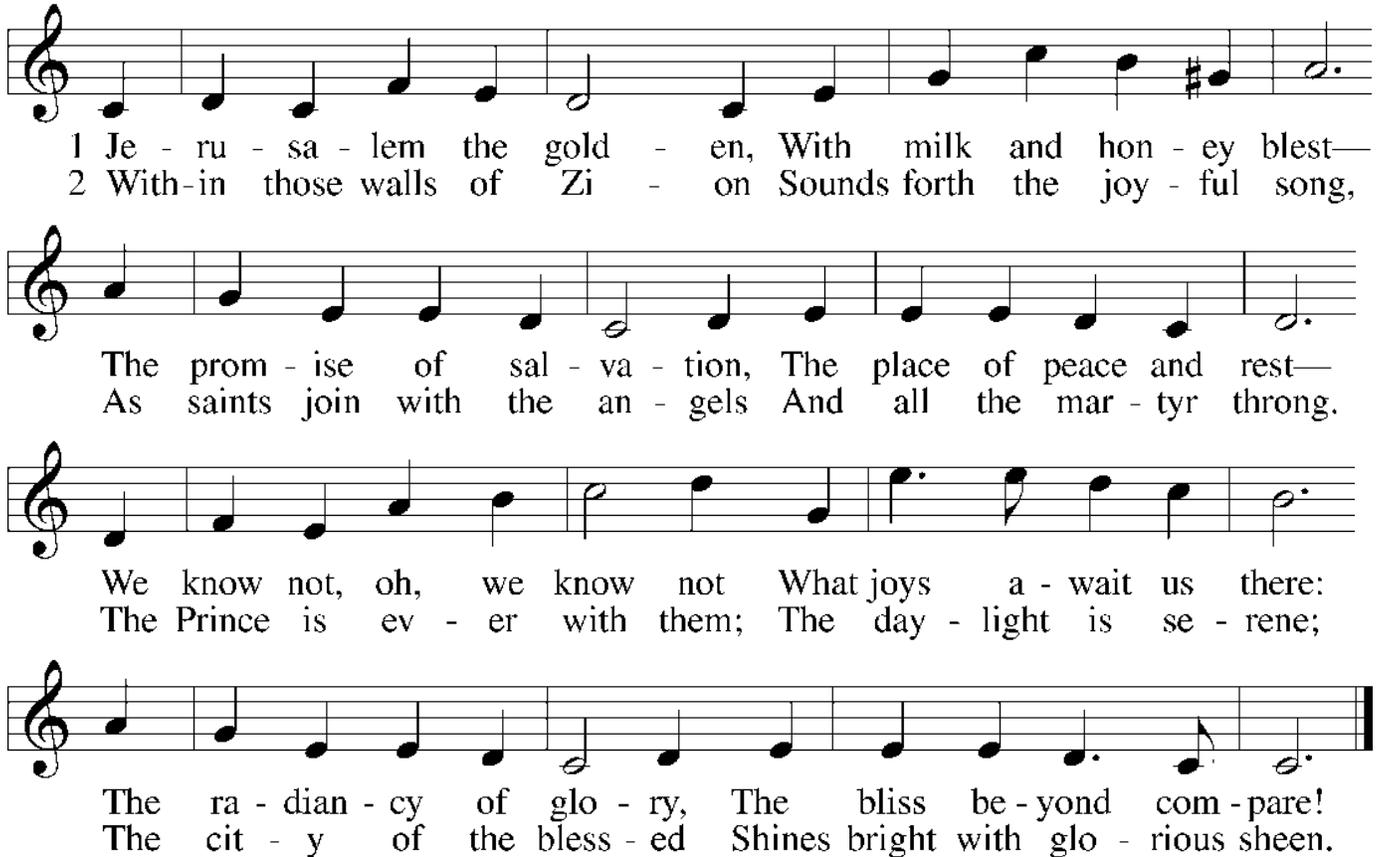
Leader: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

People: **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.**

HYMN

Jerusalem the Golden

LSB 672 v. 1,2



1 Je - ru - sa - lem the gold - en, With milk and hon - ey blest—
2 With-in those walls of Zi - on Sounds forth the joy - ful song,
The prom - ise of sal - va - tion, The place of peace and rest—
As saints join with the an - gels And all the mar - tyr throng,
We know not, oh, we know not What joys a - wait us there:
The Prince is ev - er with them; The day - light is se - rene;
The ra - dian - cy of glo - ry, The bliss be - yond com - pare!
The cit - y of the bless - ed Shines bright with glo - rious sheen.

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ALL SAINTS' REMEMBRANCE

Pastor: Let us remember with thanksgiving those who have gone before us with the sign of faith, for they were created by God to offer Him praise and thanksgiving forever. God gave new life to them through Holy Baptism, nourished them in the company of His people at His Holy Table, and in His mercy summoned them to His eternal presence where they will be with Him forever.

At this time individuals who have died since last All Saints' Day are remembered by name. As each name is read, a bell is tolled as a sign of remembrance and of victory in Christ.

Alaine Inacker
Sandy Plath
Rick Mammel
Roxlyn Theard
Dee Zahrte

Robert Ninker
Gigi Erickson
Laura Rydson
Dorothy Bently

Grace Swanchak
Keith Rhoades
Walter Murphy
Ruth Fletcher

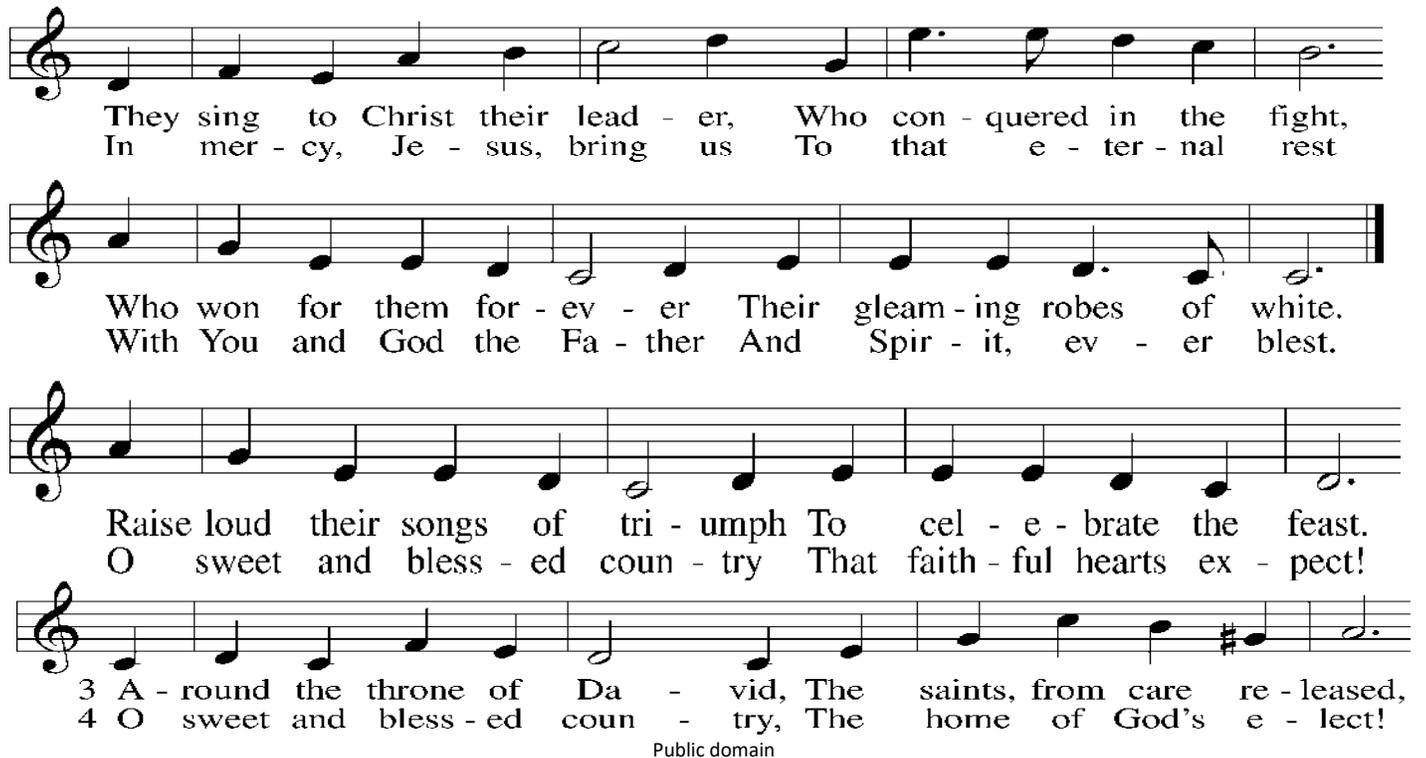
Pastor: In joyful expectation of the resurrection to eternity in heaven, we remember before You, O Lord, those relatives, friends, and fellow members of this congregation who have gone before us in the faith. We offer thanks for the gift of faith and hold fast to the certainty of Your promise of life eternal with You. In Jesus' name,

People: Amen.

HYMN

Jerusalem the Golden

LSB 762, v. 3,4



They sing to Christ their lead - er, Who con - quered in the fight,
In mer - cy, Je - sus, bring us To that e - ter - nal rest

Who won for them for - ev - er Their gleam - ing robes of white.
With You and God the Fa - ther And Spir - it, ev - er blest.

Raise loud their songs of tri - umph To cel - e - brate the feast.
O sweet and bless - ed coun - try That faith - ful hearts ex - pect!

3 A - round the throne of Da - vid, The saints, from care re - leased,
4 O sweet and bless - ed coun - try, The home of God's e - lect!

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✠ SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord, our God, for before the foundation of the world You chose us to be Your own. You rescued us from the prison of our sin and death and brought us into the kingdom of Your Son. In Him, we have received grace upon grace, the redemption of our lost condition, and forgiveness for our many sins. By Him, we have been born anew in baptismal water and granted Your Spirit to bring forth in us faith and new obedience. Gathered in His name and at His bidding, we remember His suffering and receive in this Communion the fruits of His death and resurrection:

People: **Amen.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **and also with you.**

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Blessed Assurance by Phoebe Knapp

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood

Chorus:

This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.

2. Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels, descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

3. Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

Please return to your seat after communing.

COMMUNION DISMISSAL

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LSB 790, V. 1,2,4,5



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly
4 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de -
5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise Him, for He is your
reign - ing And, as on wings of an ea - gle, up -
fend you; Sure - ly His good - ness and mer - cy shall
dore Him! All that has life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! Let all who hear Now to His
lift - ing, sus - tain - ing. Have you not seen All that is
dai - ly at - tend you. Pon - der a - new What the Al -
prais - es be - fore Him! Let the A - men Sound from His



tem - ple draw near, Join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
need - ful has been Sent by His gra - cious or - dain - ing?
might - y can do As with His love He be - friends you.
peo - ple a - gain; Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore Him!

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DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God.

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**Please remain in your seat,
Ushers will dismiss by row at the end of the service.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In-person worship with social distancing in place. ▪ **Masks recommended**

PRAYERS FOR MISSIONS

Thrive Community Church in Estero

PRAYERS FOR MEMBERS

Martin Koepke, Joni Lowe, Bob Reinig, G. Paul Larson, Marianne Glesmann, John Noffze, Mark Kuhnly, Bob Kelley, Marlene Byard

Names are kept on the prayer list for 8 weeks unless the office is notified.

PRAYERS FOR FRIENDS & FAMILY

June (the Silcocks), Sire Astin (Sheneita Astin), Ed Holsopple (Louise Shaffer), Jean Winchester (Emily Savage), Andrea Sager (Donnie & Norva Jeanne Rooksberry), Jessica Bonano & Andrew Hendricks (Flo Hendricks), Danny Johnson (Paula Lacefield), Albie (Davis family) Judy Klein, Bev Black (Ray Skelley), Ryan Schleicher (Janet Miniutti), Susan Sorrentino, Sasha Stinchcomb (Vicki Williams), Miranda C (Mike S), Jackie Hanscom (Steve & Sheila Nolas), Mike Sullivan (Tom Williams), Tim Chylla, Laura Moeller (Joni Lowe) and those we name in our hearts.

Names are kept on the prayer list for 4 weeks unless the office is notified

PRAYERS FOR COMFORT

For Tom and June Cooper on the passing of their daughter Alaine Inacker who entered into eternal life with Christ on October 24.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Richard Knoll, Linda Harrison, Kitty Argobright, Wayne France, Jere Draper, Joyce Fenelon, Grace Herr, Dennis Johnson, Darlene Miller, Roger Boisse, Granville Thompson, Sharon Griffith, Norva Jeanne Rooksberry

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Walter & Barbra Jaskiewicz, Gary & Carole Zimmerman, Bob & Anita Chaney

ATTENDANCE

In Church: 214

ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS

We have openings for anyone who wants to beautify the altar and make a dedication for loved ones or to celebrate an important occasion. Flowers are \$35 each. The sign-up sheet is on the hallway bulletin board.

ARTIST SERIES

Ticket Desk **opens Monday, November 8 at 10am.** Tickets can be purchased every Monday and Thursday from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. An order form can be found on the church website by clicking on "announcements." For more information email us at:

ArtistSeries@MarcoLutheran.org

Individual show tickets will go on sale December 6 for \$25 each

CHOIR REHEARSAL 2021

Choir rehearsals are on **Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m.** Come and add your voice! Singing is a wonderful activity, as good for your physical health as it is for your mental well-being! Sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Survive the holidays! Help and hope as you navigate the holiday season. This new support group began on October 28 and runs through November 18 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Call the church office to reserve your space 239-394-0332.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

This season, we will be updating our photo directory, aiming to have a print version by February. If you would like to be included, please email us a head & shoulder shot in a clear electronic photo in a JPEG format. Couples, please send in a photo of the two of you together.

PASTOR VISITATIONS

Since the onset of COVID, many of us have been unable to get out of caution to avoid exposure to the virus. However, the need of individuals for pastoral visitation remains. Both Pastor Tom and Pastor Ken are committed to providing home and hospital visitation to all who desire it. As we begin to re-emerge, while still taking precautions for variants, the church office is available for your call to have a visit from a pastor. If you are hospitalized overnight, or you would like a pastor to bring you communion at home, or simply to stop by for prayer and comfort, please call the office to inform us and to arrange for a visit. James 1:27a says: "Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction..." If you are in need, or know someone who is, please contact the church office at (239) 394-0332. We look forward to our visit!

OUTREACH



Blessing Bags are due next Sunday, November 14. If you wish to drop off your filled bag before then, you can place it next to the others on the bench in the Narthex. Thank you for your generosity and support! We will have a safe drive through event on **Saturday, November 20 from 10-2 pm** to distribute the blessings bags. To participate and hand out the blessing bags, please sign up at The Ministry Center or contact Sharon Boeck at ssboeck@comcast.net. We need a lot of hands to make this event successful.

-VOLUNTEERS NEEDED -THE WELCOME CENTER is in need of volunteers to serve on Sunday mornings to greet our guests for our 9:30am service through the end of the year. If you want to serve, please email Sharon Boeck at ssboeck@comcast.net.

YOGA CLASSES

Gentle Yoga: basic moves & gentle stretches.

Chair Yoga: if you have a difficult time getting up and down from the mat

Gentle Yoga meets at 12:30 p.m. on Mondays & Thursdays.

Chair Yoga meets on Mondays and Thursdays at 2:00 p.m.

\$5 per class

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VETERAN'S DAY CELEBRATION

Marco Lutheran Church will be hosting the Marco Island chapter of the American Legion's Veterans Day Ceremony on **Thursday, November 11, at 11:00 a.m.** in the Sanctuary. The hour-long celebration will include music, Color Guard, children's choir, guest speakers and a power point presentation on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Seating is limited and on a first come basis.

PASTOR APPRECIATION



Please join us in the Great Room after service on **Sunday, November 14th** for a reception to acknowledge and celebrate Pastor Tom's completion of his final pastoral classes and certification. Feel free to express your congratulations and best wishes through cards, notes or other tokens of your appreciation. Hope to see you there!



The Women of Marco and Lighthouse Harbor are teaming up to host Thanksgiving Dinner. Everything will be supplied, including: turkey, dressing, gravy, potatoes, veggies, fruit salad, cranberry sauce, rolls & butter, coffee, iced tea and desserts! Dinner will be served at 5:00 pm, followed by dessert and a movie. Tickets are \$10 per person and will be available at the Artist Series desk after service on Sundays from October 24 – November 14.

WOMEN OF MARCO

Thanks to everyone who generously supported our program to give our Active Military a better Christmas. It's not too late to donate "Active military phone cards" via all of our **eGiving** methods. The option will remain on our site until Monday, November 8. Visit our website at: www.marcolutheran.org If you have any questions, contact Roger Miller at 239-394-0332. Let's be generous to our Active Military who give up everything to protect us.

SAILING SOLO BOOK CLUB

Meeting on Wednesday, November 17 at 5:30 p.m.

Book Discussion will be: "America's First Daughter"
by Stephanie Dray & Linda Kamoie

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Congregational Meeting to approve the 2022 Budget will be held following the service on **Sunday, November 21 at 10:45 a.m.** in the Great Room. **Please plan on attending this very important meeting**, which will cover the current financial status of Marco Lutheran Church and our anticipated revenues and expenditures for the coming year. Prior to the meeting, please pick up the meeting pamphlet and review the Budget details. Should you have any questions or concerns, please use the form provided with the pamphlet and return it to the church office, so an explanation may be included in the Budget presentation.



Christmas Happenings. . .



CELEBRATE IV

December 7, 2021 at 7:30 p.m

A Collaborative Grouping of Solo and Ensemble Work to Welcome the Holiday Season

Come and join us for an evening of Christmas entertainment, music, stories, readings, sing-a-long and fellowship!

GUEST ARTISTS: Resound, John Davis, Lucille Gaita, Craig Greusel, Sandy & John Stein, Bob Pieske, Chris & Riley High, Island Theater Kids, Carmen Brookshaw, and our very own MLC CHOIR - Free tickets are now available after worship or in the Church office.

C.A.R.O.L.

Come And Rejoice Out Loud

December 9, 2021 at the Esplanade - 7:00 p.m.

Help us "Sing In" the holiday celebration by being on hand to join in a spontaneous Carol-Sing! **FLASHMOB MARCO LUTHERAN STYLE!** Here's your chance to have some holiday fun! We need our members to go to the Esplanade on December 9 around 7-ish. You might want to make a dinner reservation at one of the restaurants, have a drink or snack. As long as you are somewhere in earshot of the music, you will be ready to sing when you hear someone start singing. Simply get up and join in!

SING! What Fun! What Joy! What Purpose!

HELP DECORATE THE CHURCH

Sponsored by Women of Marco. Monday, November 22 at 10:00 a.m. Pizza & beer to follow. Everyone WELCOME to help!

UPDATED BULLETIN DEADLINE & STANDARDS

In an effort to be as efficient as possible as we live with short staffing issues, we need your cooperation and understanding. That said, the deadline for bulletin submissions must be no later than the end of the day on Tuesday of each week. Please try to make your submissions short and to the point! Font: Calibri Font size: 14 Color: black.

Thank you for your cooperation!

LONG RANGE PLANNING

A Long Range Planning Committee has been formed to research 5-10 year goals and looking for possible suggestions from the congregation which would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Chairman Gail Hoopes, hoopesgail@gmail.com with any ideas you may have



BIBLE STUDIES

BIBLE STUDY AT ARTESIA

Study will be “The Book of Hebrews”. Bible Class takes place the **2nd and 4th Mondays from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.** Artesia is located at 1399 Barefoot Williams Rd, Naples, FL 34113. Our class is held in the clubhouse theater located at 1460 Santiago Circle. A light supper is provided. Call the Church office for entry gate code. 239-394-0332.

DISCOVERY VILLAGE BIBLE STUDY

The study group meets on the **1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m.** at the Independent Living building at **Discovery Village** in Naples: 8375 Sierra Meadows Blvd., Naples, FL 34113. **Everyone is welcome.** Guests who are not fully vaccinated must wear a mask. Bring proof of your Covid vaccination.

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Come and join Pastor Tom and Pastor Ken for our fall Bible Study on Sunday **10:45 a.m** following worship. We will be taking a break for Advent. The next Bible Study will meet on January 9, 2022.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Join Pastor Tom on **Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.** (with fellowship at 9:30 a.m.) to discuss “Christ 101 - Christian Apologetics,” teaching us how to share our faith with people who are not Christians.

MENS BIBLE STUDY

Join the Men's Bible Study every **Tuesday at 8:30 a.m.** in the Choir room. Please bring your Bible (we also have Bibles if you forget) to start a new season of study, discussion and fellowship. The study group will be led by Karl Blomgren and runs until April 2022.

WOMEN OF THE WORD

Join our MLC Women's Bible Study led by Carolyn Ohman on **Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m..** Come and join us for the study of “The Heart That Grew Three Sizes” by Matt Rawle.

A special thanks to Visiting Scholar Dr. Dale Meyer!



Calendar: NOVEMBER 7 - 27

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>7</p> <p>Veterans Day Observed</p> <p>ALL SAINTS DAY 9:30 WORSHIP </p> <p>10:45 VISITING SCHOLAR DR. DALE MEYER</p>	<p>8</p> <p>12:30 GENTLE YOGA</p> <p>2:00 CHAIR YOGA</p> <p>6:00 ARTESIA BIBLE STUDY</p>	<p>9</p> <p>8:30 MENS BIBLE STUDY</p> <p>3:00 WOMEN'S INTERFAITH BREAKFAST MEETING</p> <p>5:45 BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP</p>	<p>10</p> <p>10:00 WOMEN OF THE WORD</p> <p>5:00 CHOIR REHEARSAL</p>	<p>11</p> <p>9:30 ADULT BIBLE STUDY</p> <p>10:30 GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP</p> <p>11:00 AMERICAN LEGION SPECIAL PROGRAM</p> <p>12:30 GENTLE YOGA</p> <p>2:00 CHAIR YOGA</p> <p>12:00 CHRONIC ILLNESS SUPPORT</p> <p>7:00 FOUNDATION GRANT COMMITTEE</p>	<p>12</p> <p>9:00 BRIDGE</p> <p>9:00 MAHJONG</p> <p>9:45 P.E.O.</p>	<p>13</p>
<p>14</p> <p>9:30 WORSHIP</p> <p>10:45 PASTOR APPRECIATION RECEPTION</p>	<p>15</p> <p>12:30 GENTLE YOGA</p> <p>2:00 CHAIR YOGA</p> <p>6:30 COUNCIL MEETING</p>	<p>16</p> <p>8:30 MENS BIBLE STUDY</p> <p>9:30 AMERICAN LEGION MEETING</p> <p>10:00 BIBLE STUDY AT DISCOVERY VILLAGE</p> <p>3:00 WOMEN'S INTERFAITH BREAKFAST PLANNING MEETING</p> <p>5:30 FOUNDATION MEETING</p> <p>5:45 BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP</p>	<p>17</p> <p>10:00 WOMEN OF THE WORD</p> <p>11:00 LUNCH WITH FRIENDS</p> <p>5:00 CHOIR REHEARSAL</p> <p>5:30 BOOK CLUB</p>	<p>18</p> <p>10:00 ADULT BIBLE STUDY (FELLOWSHIP AT 9:30)</p> <p>10:30 GRIEF SUPPORT (Surviving the holidays)</p> <p>12:30 GENTLE YOGA</p> <p>1:30 WOMEN OF MARCO</p> <p>2:00 CHAIR YOGA</p>	<p>19</p> <p>9:00 MAHJONG</p> <p>9:45 P.E.O. MEETING</p>	<p>20</p> <p>GREAT ROOM IN USE</p>
<p>21</p> <p>9:30 WORSHIP</p> <p>10:45 CONGREGATIONAL MEETING</p>	<p>22</p> <p>10:00 CHURCH CHRISTMAS DECORATING</p> <p>12:30 GENTLE YOGA</p> <p>2:00 CHAIR YOGA</p> <p>6:00 ARTESIA BIBLE STUDY</p>	<p>23</p> <p>7:30 CALUSA GARDEN CLUB</p> <p>8:30 MENS BIBLE STUDY</p> <p>3:00 WOMEN'S INTERFAITH BEAKFAST MEETING</p> <p>5:45 BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP</p>	<p>24</p> <p>10:00 WOMEN OF THE WORD</p> <p>5:00 CHOIR REHEARSAL</p>	<p>25</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED HAPPY THANKSGIVING</p> <p></p>	<p>26</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>27</p>

Thank You To our Helpful Servants This Week!

WORSHIP LEADER: **Carolyn Ohman**
LAY MINISTER: **Bob Harrison**
COMMUNION ASSISTANT: **Linda Harrison**
HEAD USHER: **Ron Lisch**
USHERS: **Hildegard Carney & Paul Gremel**
TRANSPORTERS: **Jan May & Karen Kuettnner**
ALTAR GUILD: **Fran Shaw & Lynn Thompson**



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