

**Welcome!** As our Lord Jesus Christ said, Peace be with you. Wherever you come from and wherever you are on your journey of faith, we are glad you are with us. Let us enter into God's presence together.

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## Morning Prayer Rite II

Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 19, 2023

10:00 a.m.

Watch and subscribe on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQdMrwgOpQqS6vn68WMxhow>

*You are invited to use the prelude as a time for quiet meditation.*

Prelude

“Prelude in Classic Style”

Gordon Young

“Simple Gifts”

Franklin Ashdown

Opening Hymn.....”O Christ, the Word Incarnate”.....Hymnal #632

Opening Sentence

Found also in the *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP) p. 77

*Officiant:*

The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him. *Habakkuk 2:20*

Confession of Sin

*The Officiant says to the people*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept. Officiant and People together, all kneeling*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that 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.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*The officiant says*

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

Children's Time

The Invitatory and Psalter

*All stand*

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.

*People* **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

*Officiant and People*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as  
it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

*Officiant:* Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

*People:* **Come, let us adore him.**

Psalter: *Jubilate Psalm 100....."All People That on Earth Do Dwell"..... Hymnal # 377*

*Officiant:* Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

*People:* **Come, let us adore him.**

## Psalm 123

*The refrain is first sung by a cantor, then repeated by all.*



Our eyes look to you, O God, un - til you show us your mer - cy.

*The verses are sung a cantor. All sing the refrain where indicated.*

- <sup>1</sup>To you I lift up my eyes,  
to you enthroned in the heavens.
- <sup>2</sup>As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters,  
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,  
so our eyes look to you O LORD our God,  
until you show us your mercy.
- <sup>3</sup>Have mercy upon us, O LORD have mercy,  
for we have had more than enough of contempt,
- <sup>4</sup>too much of the scorn of the indolent rich,  
and of the derision of the proud.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and will be forever. Amen ***Refrain***

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### First Reading

*Reader:* A Reading from the Book of Judges:  
(Judges 4:1-7)

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, after Ehud died. So the LORD sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the LORD for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years.

At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, “The LORD, the God of Israel, commands you, ‘Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin’s army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.’”

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle      *All Stand*

21 You Are God    *Te Deum laudamus* .....Hymnal #366  
*Stanza 1-3*

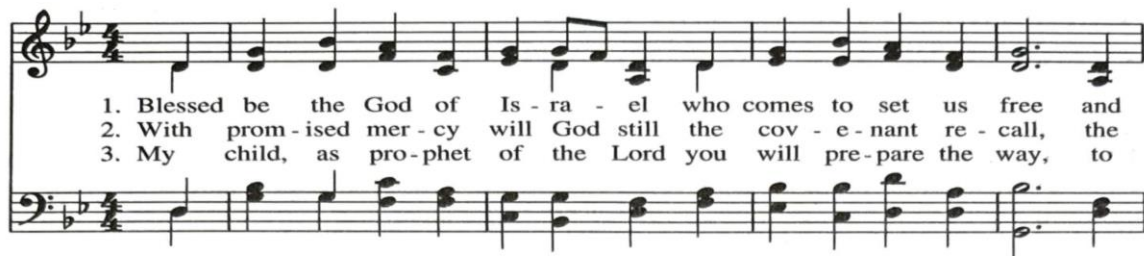
Second Reading

*Reader:* A Reading from the first letter of Paul to the Thessalonians  
(1 Thessalonians 5:1-11)

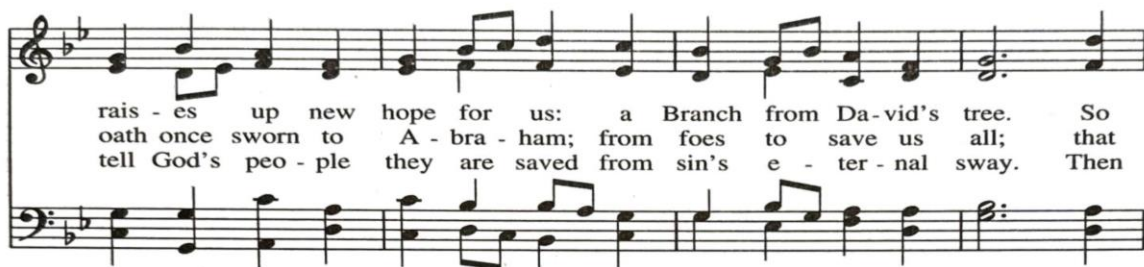
Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

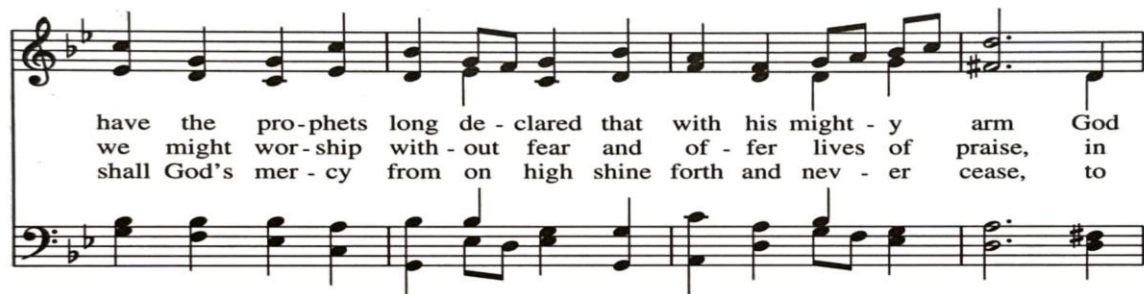
*People:* Thanks be to God.

16 The Song of Zechariah *Benedictus Dominus Deus*


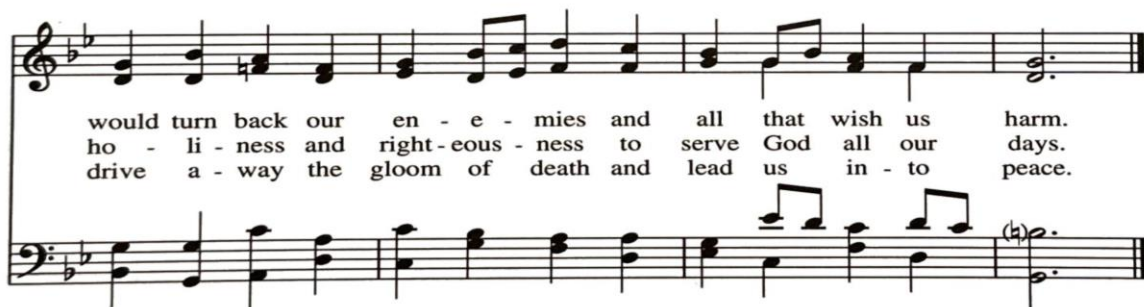
1. Blessed be the God of Is - ra - el who comes to set us free and  
 2. With prom - ised mer - cy will God still the cov - e - nant re - call, the  
 3. My child, as pro - phet of the Lord you will pre - pare the way, to



rais - es up new hope for us; a Branch from Da - vid's tree. So  
 oath once sworn to A - bra - ham; from foes to save us all; that  
 tell God's peo - ple they are saved from sin's e - ter - nal sway. Then



have the pro - phets long de - clared that with his might - y arm God  
 we might wor - ship with - out fear and of - fer lives of praise, in  
 shall God's mer - cy from on high shine forth and nev - er cease, to



would turn back our en - e - mies and all that wish us harm.  
 ho - li - ness and right - eous - ness to serve God all our days.  
 drive a - way the gloom of death and lead us in - to peace.

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### Third Reading

*Reader:* A reading from the Gospel of Matthew:  
(Matthew 25:14-30)

Jesus said, “It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.’ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.’ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.’ But his master replied, ‘You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’”

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

### The Apostles' Creed

*Officiant and People together, all standing*

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He 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,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again 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.**

### The Prayers

*The People stand or kneel*

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*Officiant and 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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Then follows this set of Suffrages*

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;  
R. **Govern them and uphold them, now and always.**  
V. Day by day we bless you;  
R. **We praise your name for ever.**  
V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;  
R. **Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.**  
V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;  
R. **For we put our trust in you.**  
V. In you, Lord, is our hope;  
R. **And we shall never hope in vain.**

*The Officiant then says the following Collects*

The Collect of the Day

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord; Give us this day such blessings through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer for Mission (Together)

**O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold;**



**pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Office Hymn      *“In the Lord I’ll Be Ever Thankful”*

*An offering will be taken up during the hymn.*

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord I will re -  
joice! Look to God, do not be a - fraid. Lift up your  
voic - es, the Lord is near. Lift up your voic - es, the Lord is near." There are triplets in the piano accompaniment on the second and third systems.

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Music: Jacques Berthier

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Prayers of the People

*Please respond to the bidding, “In faith we pray” with “we pray to you our God”*

Announcements

The General Thanksgiving

*Officiant and People*

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up ourselves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

*Officiant:*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

*Officiant:* Let us bless the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** 2 Corinthians 13:14

Recessional Hymn..... "Immortal, invisible, God only wise" .....Hymnal #423

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*We welcome you in the name of the Risen Lord. Please join us for fellowship in Simpson Hall immediately following the service – coffee, juice and snacks are available.*

**TODAY’S MINISTERS**

**ACOLYTE:** Zar Telfeyan

**ALTAR GUILD:** Marshall Cushman, Chris Schatzman

**FIRST READER:** David Lang

**SECOND READER:** Hazel Dickfoss

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:** Tricia Frost

**PARISH PERSON OF THE DAY:** Everett McKinney

**USHERS:** Tricia Frost, Debbie Bruno

**COFFEE HOUR:** Men of the Church

**NEXT WEEK COFFEE HOUR:** Vestry

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

For our Parish

**For Churches of the World**

The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)  
St. Marc’s Church & school in Jeanette, Haiti  
Cadnet Edneron and Charline Irossaint

**For the Episcopal Ministries in Racine**

Congregations of St. Luke’s and St. Michael’s  
Diocese of Milwaukee Hospitality Center  
Racine Vocational Ministry  
The DeKoven Center

**Those who are Sick or in Need or Homebound**

Debbie, Bethany, Laandan, Tony, Christi, Chris, Ron, Bob, Lisa, Jason, Ed, Pam, Jack, Gerald, Neil, Olivia, Bill, Kathie, Ty, Michael, Julie, Katie, Leah, Sally, Michelle, Jean  
**Homebound** Jeanne, Barbara, Shirley

## Special Offerings

Cash or checks in the offering that are not designated for regular needs will be given to the following **Racine Vocational Ministries**. Thank you for your generous support of this ministry.

**Altar flowers** are given by David Lang and Becky Turk to the glory of God and wishing our St. Luke's family, a Happy Thanksgiving also; in memory of David's cousin, Steven Meyers birthday on November 29<sup>th</sup>.

## Salvation Army Angel Tags

The people of St. Luke's have participated in the Salvation Army Angel Tree program for close to 40 years. Local families are referred to the Salvation Army for help providing Christmas gifts. Angel tags are printed for each child in a family and include age, gender, and desired Christmas gift.

- You can help by taking an Angel tag, purchasing a gift, and returning it to St. Luke's by Sunday, December 10, 2023.
- Suggested amount to spend is \$25. Please return all gifts unwrapped and leave in the sacristy!
- If you would like to participate but are unable to shop, please contact Cindy Ganzel and she will gladly shop on your behalf

The gifts will be taken to the Salvation Army in Racine by the deadline for pickup by the Angel families. Thank you for helping to brighten the life of a Racine child this Christmas!

**From church office our wish for you is a gift of faith and the blessing of hope this Thanksgiving!**



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