

All Saints Sunday
November 3, 2024
10:30 a.m. Worship



We ask that all present sign our Friendship Sheet. After you add your name to the sheet, please pass it toward the center aisle. Then return it to the outside aisle so that you become familiar with our family in Christ. These sheets help our pastor and congregation with our ministry. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to join us here at St. Matthew to worship and serve Christ together!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our refuge, our delight, our beginning and our end.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

P: Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,

C: **we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power.**

We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest. Unbind us and set us free. Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.

P: These words are trustworthy and true: Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever. For his sake, you are † forgiven and God remembers your sin no more. Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation.

C: **Amen.**

***OPENING HYMN**

For All the Saints (stanzas 1-4)

ELW #422

***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.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

Glory to God

ELW # S204a



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray ... Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶ On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

⁷ And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;

⁸ he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the Lord has spoken.

⁹ It will be said on that day,
Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.
This is the Lord for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

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

PSALM 24 (*read responsively*)

¹ The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,
the world and those who dwell therein.

² **For the Lord has founded it upon the seas
and established it upon the rivers.**

³ Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord,
and who may stand in God's holy place?

⁴ **Those of innocent hands and purity of heart,
who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by what is false.**

⁵ They shall receive blessing from the Lord
and righteousness from the God of their salvation.

⁶ **Such is the generation of those who seek you, O Lord,
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.**

⁷ Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

⁸ **Who is this King of glory?**

The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!

⁹ Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

¹⁰ **Who is this King of glory?**

Truly, the Lord of hosts is the King of glory.

SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-6a

¹ I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

⁴ he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

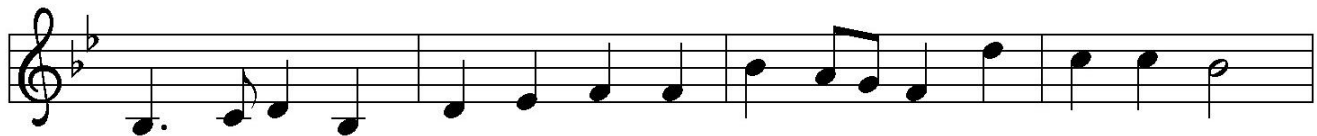
for the first things have passed away.”

⁵ And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” ^{6a} Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.”

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

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW # S 205a



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

***Gospel:** John 11:32-44

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³² When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” ³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴ He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” ³⁵ Jesus began to weep. ³⁶ So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” ³⁷ But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

³⁸ Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹ Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” ⁴⁰ Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” ⁴¹ So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” ⁴³ When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” ⁴⁴ The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

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

HOMILY

Pastor Traci

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

Jerusalem, My Happy Home

ELW # 628

***APOSTLES' CREED**

P: Let us confess our faith through the words of the Apostles' Creed.

C: 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 THE CHURCH**

A: Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation.

A: O God of resurrection, you call us by name and raise us to life. Rouse your church from slumber. Where we have held back in fear or shame, unbind us. Embolden us in our proclamation of your good news, that all may know abundant life. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

A: O God of creation, you have founded your world on rivers and seas. Preserve fresh water sources and the creatures who call them home. Heal places of pollution and nourish places of drought. Merciful God, **receive our prayer**

A: O God of the earth, you reign over all nations and peoples. Inspire us with wisdom and discernment as we elect legislators and leaders. May they govern with justice and uphold the dignity of all people. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

A: O God of heaven, you make your home among mortals. Come alongside those who weep this day. Befriend all who are lonely, encourage those in despair, and heal any who are suffering. Abide with your faithful ones in love. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

A: O God who serves, you set before us a feast of rich food. Sustain our ministries of fellowship and hospitality. Strengthen the hands and hearts of all who prepare and serve food for our nourishment. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

P: O God, Alpha and Omega, we give thanks for your faithful ones who are now at peace with you... With all your saints, we praise you, for you have swallowed up death forever. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

P: We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **C: Amen.**

***THE PEACE**

P: The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share the peace with those around you using a greeting that is comfortable for both you and them.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

*An offering plate is located near the entrance to the nave;
we offer thanks for the abundance God has first shown us:*

A: Let us pray ... Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup, you offered yourself in love for the world, and in this meal you nourish us with your life. Fill us with your abundance, that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger, trusting in your name. **C: Amen.**

***GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

***PROPER PREFACE**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the witness of your saints you show us the hope of our calling and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory.

And so, with all the saints, with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

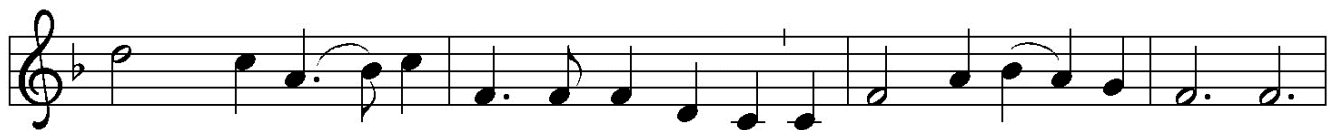
***SANCTUS**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

ELW # S207



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

***EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

P: You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

***LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

***THE AGNUS DEI**

Lamb of God

ELW # S208



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

***INVITATION**

P: Behold, God is making all things new. Take your place in the new creation.

COMMUNION HYMN

For All the Faithful Women

ELW # 419

***BLESSING**

P: May the body and blood of our LORD Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C: Amen.**

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A: Let us pray... Faithful God, you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink in the body and blood of your Son. Now send us out to labor with you, in service to the world you have made, and among the people you have made your home, in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

***BENEDICTION**

P: The Ancient One, enthroned, the Crucified One, now risen, the Indwelling One, poured out, † bless you now and forever.

. **C: Amen.**

***SENDING SONG**

For All the Saints (stanzas 5-7)

ELW # 422

***DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ. **C: Thanks be to God.**

***POSTLUDE**

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Also, please be advised that our parking lot has surveillance cameras and
that our worship service is video recorded and/or live-streamed on social media.

Today's Altar Flowers are placed to the Glory of God in memory of The Rev. Paul J. Keller and The Rev. Gerald E. Moorhead by St. Matthew Women of the ELCA

Serving God and Us

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew
Our Pastor – Rev. Traci Marriott
Our Organists – Mary Nelson, DeAnna Cree
Our Missionary Family – Robin Abrol, On Eagle’s Wings
Our Administrative Assistant – Jen Ripka
Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck
Our Sexton – Phil Claar
Our Acolytes – Gabby Decker, Lily Lightner, Lucy Lightner
Our Assisting Minister – Mike Lamborn
Our Lector – Camden Kuster
Our Usher – Melissa Fetzer
Our Altar Guild – Cindy Snyder and Jeannie Smith
Our Audio/Video Tech – Camden Kuster
Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

Fourth Quarter Ventures in Faith to “*United Lutheran Seminaries*”

This Week at St. Matthew:
814-793-2413: Office Hours

Pastor Traci – Wed. 1:00-4:00 p.m.
Jen – Mon. Fri.: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This Week Events

Today – *All Saints Sunday*
Daylight Savings Time Ends
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

Monday – Worship & Music Meeting 6:00 p.m., Zoom

Tuesday – Election Day

Thursday – Food Pantry 9:00-11:00 a.m., Allegheny St.

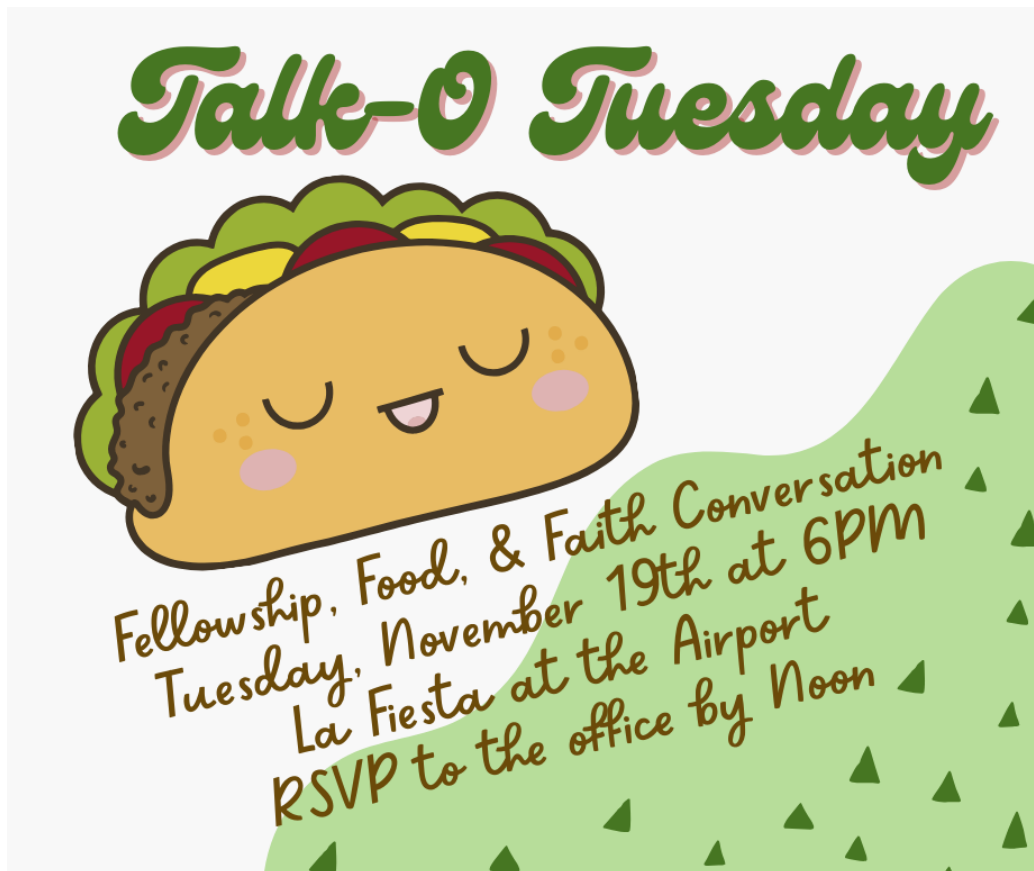
Sunday – *25th Sunday After Pentecost*
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

Prayers are needed for our homebound: Mary Jane Allision, Vivian Beach, Fred Brandenburg, Linda Claar, Mary Creps, Gerry Girolami, Betty Helsel, Ruth Johnson, Audrey & Dan Kensinger.

Prayer Concerns: Amy & Family, Avery, Randy Barrett, Greta Buchart, Tana Byler, Caleb, Warren Campbell, Phillip Claar, Dave Clayton, Greg Comer, Terry Creek, Brian Fleck, Ron Focht, Jim Fritz, Audrey Hite, Rodger Hoover, Marilyn Horton, Baby James, Ruth Johnson, Darren Kreutzer, Connie Lamborn, Linda Lehman, Bill Lively, Kristen Malloy, Karrie McCall & Family, Betty McDowell, Rick McIntyre, Aunt Mica, Carl Miner, Charles Minnick & Family, Pat Mountain, Nathan, Olga Perlov, Deb Peters, John Russell, Paul Ruth, Karyl Sawinski, Denny Smith (Shelly Hill), Dorothy Stahl, Jean Stonerook, Cindy Thomas, Steve Torres, Tiffany Townsend, Drew Wenzel, Susan Werner, Jean White, Joel Widmann, Pete Williams, Jody Zelanko, and for our **Missionaries: Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings.**

Away at School: Max Baker, Christopher Bush, Olivia Day, Jeff Hoenstine, Lacey Ripka.

Those Serving in our Armed Forces: Bradley Buchart, Melody Estep, Colin Guyer, Nathan Smith (Germany).



ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

Today we remember those from our congregation and friends who have, by God's grace, joined that "Company of Heaven" since All Saints' Sunday of 2023.

Brady Albert
Carl Alexy
Theresa Allen
Lolly Blackwell
Charles "Chuck" Corle
Robert Coup
Jack Freeberger
Scott Gilbert
Gloria Guyer
Herman Haas
Rev. Edward Harshbarger
L. Colin Hoover
G. Fred Kensinger
Bill D. Kreider
Brent L. Kreider
Janet I. Kreider
Andy Lynn
Sally Metzger
Robert Mountain
James "Jim" Negley
Charlie Raibold
Virginia "Ginny" Sell
Susann Shimer

Martinsburg Food Pantry



Volunteers from Mt. Pleasant Church will be assisting the regular volunteers with food distributions on the first and third Thursdays, November 7 and November 21 from 9:00a.m. until 11:00a.m. Several churches in our community, will be providing Thanksgiving dinners for food pantry families, about 50 to 60 families, to prepare for themselves.



Items most needed for November are: Juice, Cereal, Spaghetti Sauce, Scalloped Potatoes, Jelly, Paper Towels.

Many thanks for all your donations!

Linda Smith

Cove Christmas Love

The Martinsburg Ministerium is, again, helping to provide presents for Spring Cove School Children in need. We will have an additional tree in the church narthex with tags identifying the Christmas wishes of the recipients. Our congregation's goal for this year is to provide gifts for about 50 children through Cove Christmas Love, like we did last year. The tree will be put up at the beginning of November with tags on it. Please take a tag (or tags) telling child and child's gift wishes. Shop for the item(s) listed on tag, but not exceeding \$100. for each child. Please return the unwrapped gift(s), **WITH THE TAG**, no later than Sunday, **NOVEMBER 24**. These unwrapped gifts will be distributed on Saturday, **DECEMBER 7** at the Church of God. You can direct any questions to Peggy Steinfurth or Linda Smith. Thank you for sharing with the community as we help families in need at this time of Christmas cheer!

"Mitten Tree"

Coming soon will be the first Sunday in Advent, December 1, when you will see our annual "Mitten Tree" in our church narthex. Please be thinking as you shop, or make, children's mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, earmuffs, or socks to be hung on our "Mitten Tree" during Advent until December 22nd. These will be distributed by the school nurses at Spring Cove Elementary Schools for children in need. Let's help children have a warmer Winter!

Martinsburg Community Thanksgiving Meal



The Martinsburg Community Thanksgiving Meal will be served at 5pm Monday November 11, 2024, at the Church of God. St Matthew's Lutheran Church will provide the desserts for this community meal. Those who have signed up for desserts: you can deliver your desserts to the Church of God by 4 pm or drop off at St Matthew's by 3:30 pm and the Social Ministry Committee will see they arrive safely to the Church of God. In the past the Community Thanksgiving Meal has served up to 150 people. The Social Ministry Committee appreciates the congregation's prayers and support for this event.

*Lottie Ebersole,
Committee Chairman*



Hurricanes Helene and Milton Response

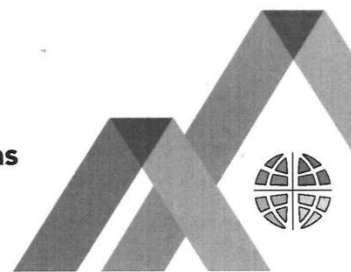
Hurricanes Helene and Milton hit the coast of Florida within weeks of each other as powerful and devastating storms impacting states across the Southeast. With your help, Lutheran Disaster Response will continue to be there to support people affected by Milton, Helene and any other storms that may strike this season.

Gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response equip us to respond to these disasters and others, whenever and wherever they strike.



Scan the QR code to give today.

By giving to Lutheran Disaster Response, you make it possible for the ELCA to act quickly after disasters such as Hurricane Helene and remain for as long as the recovery takes.



If you prefer to make your gift to Lutheran Disaster Response through a donation to St. Matthew, please designate which disaster and the amount on the memo line of your check or envelope.

In honor of Veterans' Day

The D. Merl Tipton VFW Post 43 Auxiliary
is hosting a buffet lunch on

Sunday, November 10, 2024

12 Noon to 1:30 pm

VFW Post 43

115 S. Nicodemus Street, Martinsburg, PA

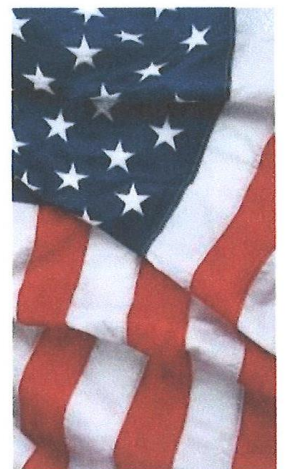
All Veterans and a guest are invited to attend.

You do not need to be a VFW member to attend.



In order to plan for the buffet, you must make a reservation to attend by calling Jane Fagans at 814 793-4401 (leave a message if there is no answer). Deadline to RSVP is Monday, November 4, 2024.

The VFW Post 43 Auxiliary looks forward to seeing you on November 10th. Enjoy good food and conversation with fellow Veterans and friends.





*Join us
After Worship
on November 24th
for*

**PIE
PRACTICE
2024**

*Trying out a new recipe for Thanksgiving?
Test your practice pie here first.
Not a baker?
Bring your appetite &
sense of adventure.
Coffee, Milk, & Forks Provided*



Journey to Bethlehem
A walk through the Nativity

Sunday, December 15th
2-4PM & 6-8PM



ST MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH
115 E PENN STREET MARTINSBURG



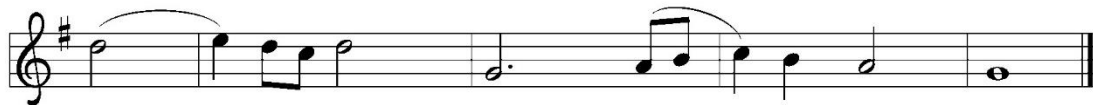
1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who
 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou,
Stanzas 3-5 below.
 6 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day: the
 7 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through



thee by faith before the world confessed, thy
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 saints triumphant rise in bright array; the
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 King of glory passes on his way.
 singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:



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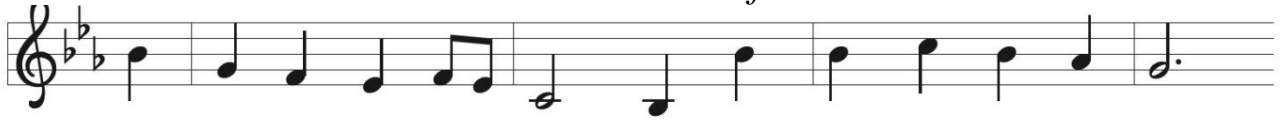


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COMMUNION HYMN

For All the Faithful Women

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1 For all the faith - ful wom - en who served in days of old,
 2 O God, for saints and ser - vants, those named and those un-known,
 3 in praise to God the Fa - ther! All praise to Christ the Son!



to you shall thanks be giv - en; to all, their stor - y told.
 O whom through all the a - ges your light of glo - ry shone,
 All praise to God the Spir - it, who binds the church as one!



They served with strength and glad - ness in tasks your wis - dom gave.
 we of - fer glad thanks - giv - ing and fer - vent prayer we raise
 With saints who went be - fore us, with saints who wit - ness still,



To you their lives bore wit - ness, pro - claimed your pow'r to save.
 that, faith - ful in your ser - vice, our lives may sing your praise.
 we sing glad al - le - lu - ias and strive to do your will.



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