



## 23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 16, 2025

10:00 am

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\* all who are able are invited to rise in body or spirit.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

*This is the day that the Lord has made.*

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP\*

*Surely God is our salvation;*

**we will trust, and will not be afraid,**

*for the Lord God is our strength and our might;*  
**God has become our salvation.**

*Sing praises to the Lord, for God has done gloriously;*  
**let this be known in all the earth.**

HYMN\*     *“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”*                   353

PRAYER OF PRAISE\*

CONFESSION OF SIN

**God of peace we confess we are a people of fear.  
We have let anxiety rule our days and worry our  
nights. We have been distracted by nerves and  
focused on tension. We confess we have ignored  
your command to not be afraid. Forgive us, O God.  
Calm our hearts, settle our stomachs, and renew in  
us the ability to find our comfort in you.**

**(silent confession)**

**Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy.  
Lord have mercy. Kyrie Eleison. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON / PASSING OF THE PEACE\*

*The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.*

**And also with you.**

*[You are invited to exchange signs of peace with one another.]*

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,  
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.  
Amen.**

**World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen.  
As it was in the beginning,  
is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

A TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH – STU BEAR

OLD TESTAMENT – Isaiah 65:17-25 Marya Katz  
*“They won’t hurt or destroy at any place  
on my holy mountain.”*

OFFERING OF MUSIC Adult Choir  
*“Soon and Very Soon”*

GOSPEL – Luke 21:5-19  
*“Everyone will hate you because of my name.  
Still, not a hair on your heads will be lost.”*

SERMON Dr. Linda Dickerson  
*“Saving the Hairs on Our Heads”*

SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE\* (from "The Heidelberg Catechism")

*What is your only comfort in life and in death?*

**That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who . . . protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

HYMN\*

*"O Day of Peace"*

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CHARGE AND BENEDICTION\*

CHORAL RESPONSE\* 822, v. 1

Congregation

**When we are living, it is in Christ Jesus,  
and when we're dying, it is in the Lord.  
Both in our living and in our dying,  
we belong to God; we belong to God.**

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FELLOWSHIP TIME - All are welcome!

11:15 - SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES