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THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION
Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost
November 15, 2026
10:30 am

The Prelude		Silent Prayer
Welcome and Announcements		
*Confession and Forgiveness		page 56

GATHERING

*The Opening Hymn	***How Great Thou Art***	# 532
*The Greeting		page 57
*The Kyrie		page 57
*The Hymn of Praise	***This is the feast***… (I – Women, II – Men)	page 60
*The Prayer of the Day		Insert

WORD

The First Reading		Zephaniah 1:7-16
Psalm 90:1-12 (to be sung responsively)		Insert
The Second Reading		1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
*The Verse		page 62
*The Holy Gospel		Matthew 25:14-30
The Sermon		Pastor Dave
*The Hymn of the Day	***Come, Thou Almighty King***	# 522
*The Apostles' Creed		page 65
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*The Peace		page 66
Anthem	***Here I Am, Lord***	Chancel Choir

MEAL

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*The Lord's Prayer	page 71
The Distribution of Holy Communion	
The Hymns during distribution "Lamb of God," (WOV #718)	
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*The Post-Communion Prayer	page 74

SENDING

*The Closing Hymn	***O God, Our Help in Ages Past***	# 320
*The Benediction		
*The Dismissal		page 74
The Postlude		Silent Prayer

(* Congregation please stand)

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Today	8:30 am	Life-to-Life Discipleship (Upstairs)
	9:30 am	Sunday School
	9:30 am	Play Practice (Sanctuary)
	10:30 am	Service of Holy Communion/Congregational Meeting
		Property Committee Meeting (at handicap ramp)
Tuesday	1:00 pm	Piece Makers Meet
	6:00 pm	Bible Study (Gathering Room)
Wednesday	10:00 am	Senior Friends (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	4:30 pm	American Heritage Girls (Fellowship Hall)
	6:30 pm	Bible Study (Gathering Room)
Friday	5:30-7:30 pm	Set up/receive items for Bake and Craft Sale
Saturday	9 am-1 pm	Senior Friends Bake & Craft Sale (Fell. Hall)
Next Sunday		Christ the King Sunday
	9:30 am	Sunday School
	9:30 am	Play Practice (Sanctuary)
	10:30 am	Service of Holy Communion

TELLER COMMITTEE – Ken Temple, Alan Bolch, Jack Robinson

COUNCIL DESIGNATE – Ken Temple

ALTAR COMMITTEE – Betty Scipione, Dana Hoyle, Jenny Morgan

USHERS – John Lutz, Nick Helms, Jose Barba, Ken Temple

ACOLYTE – Connie Lutz

PASTOR'S ASSISTANTS – Kay Weaver

TAPE MINISTRY – Robert Hoyle
Next week – Robert Hoyle

THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK – Ryan Lutz, Eric Preslar, Lori Goins, Garret Turbyfill, Lindsay Klinck, Caiden Hewitt, Maggie Rousey

COPIES OF THE PRAYER LIST are available in the Gathering Room and on the bulletin board outside Pastor Hefner's office.

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ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Sunday School – 30
10:30 Service – 99

THE FLOWERS TODAY are given to the glory of God, in honor of Lauren and Gunnar Funderburk's 1st wedding anniversary (November 15), and in honor of Pastor and Vicki Cauble's 36th wedding anniversary (November 17), by Donald and Donna Barger.

Next week – Open

THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held today during the 10:30 am Service of Holy Communion. We will adopt a budget for 2027, elect four new council members, and discuss any other business that may be brought before the congregation.

THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE will meet today immediately following the Service of Holy Communion at the handicap ramp outside Pastor Hefner's office.

TODAY IS THE DEADLINE to order poinsettias.

Decorating our Chrismon Tree and Sanctuary
Volunteers needed on Tuesday, November 24 at 6:30 pm



Please come join members of the Chrismon Committee as we prepare our sanctuary for the Advent/Christmas Season. We always have a great deal of fun and fellowship. Don't worry, we can always find a job to "fit you." Refreshments will be served after we finish, so feel free to bring a favorite snack to share. **Y'all please come!** If you have any questions, contact either Kathe Canupp or Sandra Bollinger.

The lights will be turned on during the Hanging of the Greens service on Sunday, November 29th—*the first day of Advent*!

AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS TROOP NC2237 invites NJLC members to join us for a small potluck meal this Thursday, November 19, from 5-6pm in the fellowship hall before our troop meeting. We ask you to bring a dish to share and prayerfully consider if you feel called to join as an adult volunteer to help with youth programming. We look forward to sharing more about AHG at NJLC!

New Jerusalem
Lutheran Church
Senior Friends
Bake & Craft Sale

Let us help you with your
Thanksgiving baking
and Christmas shopping!

Our hotdog lunches will be available for purchase beginning @ 10:30 AM.



Sat., Nov. 21st from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
New Jerusalem's Fellowship Hall
2120 Startown Road, Hickory

<u>All MONEY raised</u> will be donated
<u>to worthy organizations</u>.
Thank you for your support!