



**St. Martin's Lutheran Church**  
203 S. Defiance Street + Archbold, OH 43502  
[www.the-welcome-place.org](http://www.the-welcome-place.org)

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost  
November 13, 2022

*In today's gospel, Jesus encouraged his disciples to always be ready for the tests and trials that will somehow surely come. As we grow in obedience, courage, patience, and love we need to keep the faith in difficult times.*

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Regular text is spoken by the Worship Leader

**Bold text is spoken by the congregation**

**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**

**PRELUDE**

***“Come, You Thankful People, Come”***

arr. by Joel Raney

**BELL & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son  $\text{✝}$  and of the Holy Spirit. *(Matthew 28:19)*

**Amen**

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all God's benefits. The Lord forgives all our sins and heals all our diseases.** *(Psalm 103:1-3)*

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *(1 John 1:8-9)* Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and one another.

*Silence for personal reflection*

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are held captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

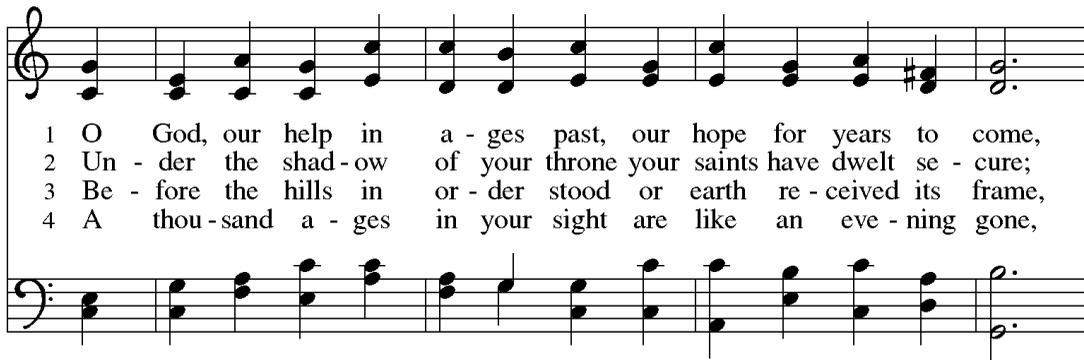
God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace we have been saved. Almighty God strengthen us with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in our hearts through faith. *(Ephesians 2:4-5, 3:16-17)*

**Amen**

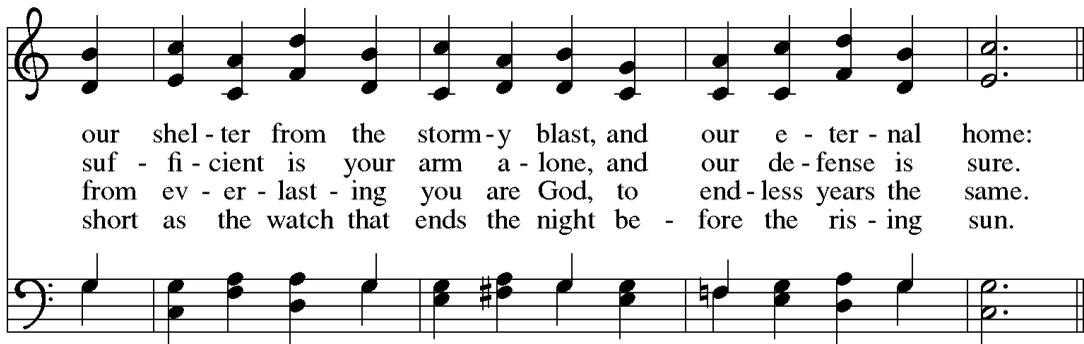
## \*OPENING HYMN

## “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

*Please sing unison on Verses 5 & 6*



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,  
2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;  
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,  
4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:  
suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.  
from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.  
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
bears all our years away;  
we fly forgotten, as a dream  
dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
still be our guard while troubles last  
and our eternal home!

## \*GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal. Give us courage to stand in the time of trial, and faith to witness to your truth and love; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen**

**PIANO SOLO – Autumn Benecke**

**“Fur Elise” – Beethoven**

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

### Old Testament Reading

### Malachi 4:1-2

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. <sup>2</sup>But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 98

Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.

**With his right hand and his holy arm he has won for himself the victory.**

The Lord has made known his victory; his righteousness he has openly shown in the sight of the nations.

**He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.**

Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands;

**Lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.**

Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.

**With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the king, the Lord.**

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, the lands and those who dwell therein.

**Let the rivers clap their hands.**

Let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord when he comes to judge the earth.

**In righteousness shall he judge the world and the peoples with equity.**

### New Testament Reading

### 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

<sup>6</sup>Now we command you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from every brother or sister living irresponsibly and not according to the tradition that they received from us. <sup>7</sup>For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not irresponsible when we were with you, <sup>8</sup>and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day so that we might not burden any of you. <sup>9</sup>This was not because we do not have that right but in order to give you an example to imitate. <sup>10</sup>For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: anyone unwilling to work should not eat. <sup>11</sup>For we hear that some of you are living irresponsibly, mere busybodies, not doing any work. <sup>12</sup>Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. <sup>13</sup>Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

New Living Translation

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## \*GOSPEL READING

**LUKE 21:5-19**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 21<sup>st</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>5</sup>When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, <sup>6</sup>“As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.”

<sup>7</sup>They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” <sup>8</sup>And he said, “Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them.

<sup>9</sup>“When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.” <sup>10</sup>Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; <sup>11</sup>there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

<sup>12</sup>“But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. <sup>13</sup>This will give you an opportunity to testify. <sup>14</sup>So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; <sup>15</sup>for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. <sup>16</sup>You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. <sup>17</sup>You will be hated by all because of my name. <sup>18</sup>But not a hair of your head will perish. <sup>19</sup>By your endurance you will gain your souls.”

The Gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you, O Christ**

**WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

*“Shine, Jesus, Shine”*



Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa - ther’s glo - ry;



blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.



Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy;



send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!



1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the  
2 As we gaze on your king - ly bright-ness, so our fac - es dis -



dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, light of the world, shine up - on us,  
play your like - ness, ev - er chang-ing from glo - ry to glo - ry,

set us free by the truth you now bring us.  
mir - rored here, may our lives tell your sto - ry.

Shine on me, shine on me:

*Refrain*

**\*PROFESSION OF FAITH** – *Apostles Creed*

**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 into hell.**

**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**

**\*PIANO DEDICATION**

**\*SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

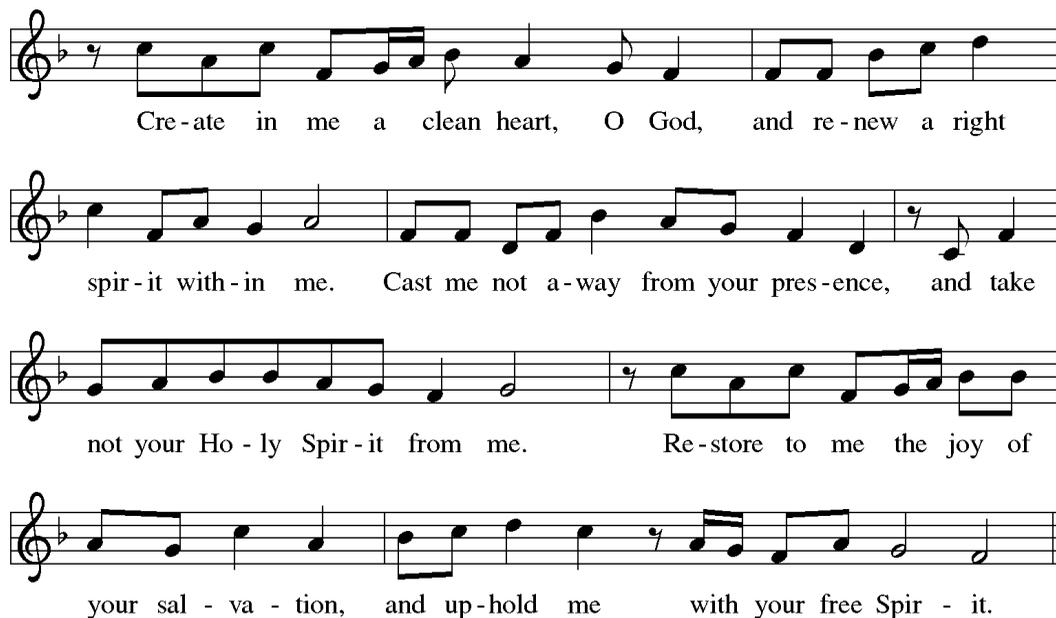
*(We greet one another with the words “Peace be with you”)*

**OFFERING OF GIFTS**

**“Claire de Lune” (Moonlight)**

From Suite Bergamasque by Claude Debussy, 1890

## \*OFFERTORY



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take  
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of  
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

## \*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*Each petition ends...*

Lord, in your mercy...**hear our prayer.**

## \*THE 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 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.**

## WE ARE SENT TO SERVE

## \* BENECTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine brightly upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

In the name of the Father, ✠ and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

# \*CLOSING HYMN

## "Come, You Thankful People, Come"

*Please sing unison on Verse 4*



1 Come, you thank-ful peo - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.  
2 All the world is God's own field, fruit un - to his praise to yield.  
3 For the Lord our God shall come and shall take his har - vest home;  
4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come to your fi - nal har - vest home.



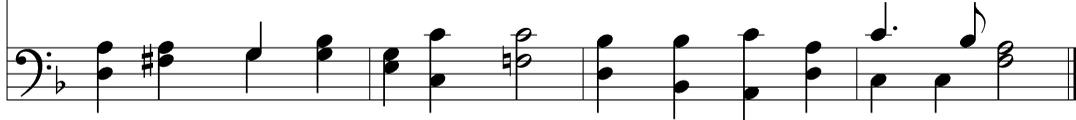
All is safe - ly gath - ered in ere the win - ter storms be - gin.  
Wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown.  
from his field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way,  
Gath - er all your peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin,



God, our mak - er, does pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied.  
First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear.  
give his an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,  
there, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in your gar - ner to a - bide.



Come to God's own tem - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest home.  
Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.  
but the fruit - ful ears to store in his gar - ner ev - er - more.  
Come, with all your an - gels, come, raise the glo - rious har - vest home!



# POSTLUDE

# “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”

arr. Mark Hayes

## \*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

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## St. Martin's Worship Servants . . .

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|----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Ministers of Worship | -Everyone Present                     |
| Acolyte              | -Justin McCarty                       |
| Organist/Pianist     | -Deacon Steve Basselman               |
| Pianist              | -Rick Breier                          |
| Lector               | -Chris Ziegler                        |
| Usher Team Leader    | -Butch Blankenship                    |
| Sound System         | -Darren Sonnenberg                    |
| Altar Guild          | -Joan Meyer, Jessica Short            |
| Offering Counters    | -Jo Ann Liechty, Jeff & JoAnn Benecke |

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## Office Hours:

Deacon Steve Basselman

Brenda Shibler

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Tues. – Fri. 8:00-12:30

Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri. afternoon

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[steveb@the-welcome-place.org](mailto:steveb@the-welcome-place.org)

Worship Services: 9:00 am each Sunday

6:00 pm each Wednesday

-9:00 Sunday – live broadcast on Facebook and YouTube

*We welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.* - Romans 15:7 ESV

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**Thanksgiving Eve** St. Martin's and Zion Mennonite will have a combined worship service here at 7pm. The choirs from both churches will combine and special music is being planned to represent both congregations. Pastor Sue Short will preach. A food and fellowship time will follow the service. This worship service has been an integral part of our relationship since 2005.

Our sanctuary **Baby Grand Piano** is being dedicated today. It is a gift given in memory of Dexter & Janis Benecke, given by the Benecke family. The piano is a 5'4" Boston piano built by Steinway. It was acquired through the Steinway Piano Gallery of Detroit and delivered to us in September.

**Thankoffering Ingathering, Next Sunday, November 20 . . .** you are invited to share your monetary offerings using a box, plastic bag or you mark your offering envelope, Women's Thankoffering. Deadline for contributions is December 11th.

## **This Week at St. Martin's**

### **Today – November 13**

Worship, 9:00 am  
Sunday School, 10:20 am  
Adult Sunday School, 10:30 am

### **Monday – November 14**

Friendship Circle, 7:00 pm at St. Martin's

### **Tuesday – November 15**

Men's Breakfast Fellowship, 6:30 am at McDonald's  
Community Meal, 5:00 – 6:00 pm, St. John Christian

### **Wednesday – November 16**

Welcome Meal, 5:15 pm  
Welcome Place Worship, 6:00 pm  
Catechism, 6:30 pm Service Project, Share the Warmth, Fellowship Hall  
Adult Circle, 6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall  
Bell Choir, 6:30 pm  
Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 pm

### **Thursday – November 17**

Women's Breakfast Bible Study, 7:00 am, at Home Restaurant  
Bulletin Deadline, 9:00 am

### **Saturday – November 19**

Share the Warmth, 9am-12pm  
Luther League Service Project, 10am

### **Next Sunday – November 20 – Christ the King Sunday**

Worship, 9:00 am, Holy Communion, Thankoffering Ingathering  
Sunday School, 10:20 am  
Adult Sunday School, 10:30 am

## Last Week at St. Martin's. . .

Receipts Week of date, , Budget and Year to Date

Operating Contributions	\$3,874.00	Budgeted Weekly Operating Need	\$6,230.00
Benevolence Received	\$300.00	Budgeted Weekly Benevolence Need	\$570.00
Other Designated Income	\$275.00	As of 10/31/2022	
Total Income	\$4,449.00	YTD Operating Received	\$212,663.69
Worship: Sun./Wed./Total	133/16/149	YTD Operating Expenses	(\$157,213.43)
Sunday School	66	Net Income/(Deficit)	\$55,450.26



# Sharing the Warmth

Free Coats for men, women & children  
Come to St. Martin's Lutheran Church  
203 S. Defiance Street, Archbold



Saturday November 19<sup>th</sup> from 9 am-12 pm

To qualify: live in Archbold, attend an Archbold church or children  
attend Archbold Schools

If you have questions, please see Bridget Lovejoy

See you here!

## St. Martin's Prayer Line

For our prayers in worship this morning and our daily devotions in the coming week, we remember:

All Believers as we look for the coming Messiah, may we be ready to see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory

All in Need both body & soul that we might know the joy we have in the presence of our Lord, Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and King

Bishop Daniel Beaudoin, Synod Staff members and all the office staff, that they may be supported in their ministry to the Church

The Bethel Parish of Dodoma, St. Martin's Companion Congregation, may they continue to carry out God's ministry and mission in Tanzania

Mission Partner Congregation of Redeemer Lutheran, Toledo may they continue to carry out God's ministry and mission in the Toledo Area

People of Ukraine during this time of unrest, may they know the presence of our Lord Jesus

All First Responders, Hospital Staff, Caregivers and all who have lost family members & friends to covid may we know the ever-present grace of God

For those who need healing, may they know the healing hand of God

Richelle Avers

Rick Breier

Jeff Cook, Ann Ott's son

Steven DeNault, June Hayes' friend

Jerry Geiger

Jessica Harris

Sharon Heckel

Steve & Sue Hurst, Health Concerns

Amy Johns

Shelly Kammeyer, daughter in law of Sharon, Leukemia

Amanda Karduck, friend of Sara Adams & Jan Delaney

Doris King, Bonnie Badenhop's mother, hospice care

Michael, Pastor & Linda Koch, friends of Melanie & Dick Nagel

Bonnie R. Lauber

Stephene Medaugh, hospice care

Lois Mininger, June Hayes' cousin

Heather Nehls Witten, daughter of Marie Nehls & Tarry Nehls, cancer

Eva Pahl, Pat Basselman's niece, health concerns

Janice Siegel, Dustin Bailey's mother, cancer

Al Siewert

Jonathan Siewert

Joe Wyse

Kelsy Wyse

Homebound – Louise Wyse, Steward Wyse

For those who need God's protection and the assurance that he is near

All St. Martin's Members as they prepare for Ministry

Our College students both close to home and far away

All members, family & friends who serve in our military, Steve & Sara (Delaney) Adams, Patrick

Cirenza (June Hayes), Bradly & Victoria Nilsson, Kennedy Hartung, Ashtyn Frederick,

Christopher Goertz, Brendon Johns, Kasyn Schaffner, Spencer Short

①① Prayer requests for the people of St. Martin's ①①

(Note, we include a person's name with permission.)

# Christmas Poinsettia Sale

The Altar Guild is sponsoring their annual Christmas Poinsettia Sale. Proceeds will be added to the Paraments Fund.



The plants are \$12.00 each and may be given in memory or in honor of someone, or for a special occasion. The plants will be multicolored as they have been in the past.

Below is an order blank you may use to order your poinsettias. Please place it, along with payment (checks to be made payable to St. Martin's Lutheran Church) in the offering plate or the box provided on the counter in the Church Office.

Deadline is November 28th

Name \_\_\_\_\_

# of plants \_\_\_\_\_ X \$12.00 each

for a total of \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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