

STOCKHOLM LUTHERAN CHURCH
Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

November 12, 2017

GATHERING

Page and hymn numbers refer to the red hymnal (“Worship”)

GATHERING MUSIC Barb Froemming

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP “Give Thanks” Insert

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

SONG “Blessed Assurance” # 638

PRAYER (All)

C: O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC “My Soul Will Rest” Joyful Noise

WORD OF GOD

FIRST BIBLE READING (Pew Bible, p. 794) Amos 5:18-24

PSALM

(The Psalms begin on p. 339 in the red hymnal) Psalm 70

SECOND BIBLE READING (Pew Bible, p. 1030)

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

GOOD NEWS OF JESUS (stand) (Pew Bible, p. 860)

Matthew 25:1-13

CHILDREN'S TIME

SERMON Rev. Mark Little

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

SONG “We Are an Offering” (twice) # 692

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OFFERING TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS

NATIONAL SONG “My Country ‘Tis of Thee” Insert

OFFERING SONG (stand) “What Shall I Give to You” Insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (stand)

(P: Lord, in your mercy; **C: Hear our prayer.**)

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BLESSING

THREE-FOLD AMEN

SENDING SONG “It Is Well With My Soul” (v. 1-3) # 785

SENDING

P: Go in Peace! Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

SENDING MUSIC Barb Froemming

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Welcome to all who gather here for Worship this morning! We give a special welcome to you if you are a guest with us today—Please worship with us again soon! If you are in search of a new church home, please contact Pastor Mark.

PRAYER CONCERNS- Bruce Carlson, Landon Halonen, Dan Howell, Mike Huro, Roger Jensen, Peggy Mahlstedt, Helen Mattson, Kerry Schmiesing, and those serving in the armed forces as we pray for peace.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Nov. 19th - Harvest Festival (see insert for details)

Nov. 22nd - Thanksgiving Eve worship with pie and coffee afterward

Dec. 3--Advent “Preparation for Christmas” Gathering

Dec. 10--Christmas Caroling in the community.

VETERANS DAY “Veterans Day is observed every November 11 to honor all military personnel who have served in the U.S. armed forces.” We thank God for those who have served in this capacity (at Stockholm and countrywide), and for the freedoms God has guided us to have in our nation.

THANK YOU to the members of Joyful Noise for sharing God's gift of music in worship today.

WE GIVE HONOR TO GOD “God is worthy to receive glory and honor and power because he has created all things through the strength of his will.” (**Revelation 4:11**). This morning through our worship, we offer God glory and honor. The offerings we give of our time, abilities and finances are grateful responses from us--God's children--returning to the Maker and Creator generous gifts which are used to proclaim the Creator to the world. **THANKS BE TO GOD!**

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YOUR RESPONSE TO WHAT GOD GIVES Stockholm's Annual Stewardship Response Program invites you to pray about how God's giving to you makes your life full and meaningful. After thinking about how the ministry of Stockholm Lutheran is important to you, please complete an **Estimate of Giving** card.

If you're not able to do so today, please try to complete one in the next week. On the **Estimate of Giving** card, you will write the amount God is guiding you to have as your goal of giving toward this ministry in 2018. This amount will never be known by anyone but you and your Lord. Stockholm will use the total amount of all the estimated giving in some of its planning efforts for the coming year. God Bless you as you give thanks for God's Blessings in your life!

HARVEST FESTIVAL It's time to make plans for the November 19 Harvest Festival, the silent auction, activities and games, and pot luck! Plan to attend, enjoy the Litchfield Area Male Chorus, and GIVE THANKS TO OUR LORD, FOR HE IS GOOD!