

Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions

November 17th – 22nd, 2025

Mon John 15:18-21 If the world hates us on account of Christ, we couldn't be in better company! They hated Him first, and we are reminded that He will be with us always, even to the end of the world!

Tues Revelation 3:1-6 James pointed out that faith without works is dead (Jms2:17), and the Lord sees the church at Sardis is dying. His desire is that they awaken and join the few who still walk with Him in white.

Wed 2 Chronicles 32:1-21 Hezekiah prepares for the Assyrian siege, but encourages his people that God is greater than any enemy (v7). The Assyrians scoff at the name of the Lord, and He defends His name.

Thurs Proverbs 24:13-22 The wicked attack the righteous, but they will stumble. Do not be happy in their fall, for God is not. Do not be jealous of wicked people or associate with the rebellious, who court disaster.

Fri Matthew 25:14-30 Jesus pictures the judgment as a man settling accounts with his servants. Entrusted with different amounts, all who made use of their talents received the same "well done!"

Sat Revelation 20:11-15 Near the end of the church year, we remember the promised judgment at Christ's return. Saved by grace through faith, the blessed are known by the fruits that their faith produced.

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22nd Sunday after Trinity

November 16th, 2025

Liturgy: TLH p. 5

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✠ Opening Prayer ✠

Hymn: TLH #611:1-5 "The Day is Surely Drawing Near"

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

G ♪ Amen.

P Pastor

G Congregation

Confession of Our Sins

We come before God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

G ♪ **Who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

G ♪ **And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

P Almighty God our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto Thee that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

G **O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Absolution from Our God

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9)

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, hath had mercy upon us and hath given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He giveth power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord unto us all.

G ♪ Amen.

The Offertory

G ♪ **Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a right spirit within me Cast me not away from Thy presence; And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; And uphold me with thy free spirit. Amen.**

✠ The Offering of Thankful Hearts ✠

Hymn: TLH #608

"Let Thoughtless Thousands..."

✠ The General Prayer & The Lord's Prayer ✠

The Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

The blessing given by God for His people.

P The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.

G ♪ **Amen, amen, a – men.**

Hymn: WS #794

"Jerusalem, Jerusalem"

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St. John's Coed Volleyball Team – Christian Kazemba is putting together another coed volleyball team for the winter season. Games are in Windom on Tuesday nights, starting on November 18th and running through March 10th. If you are interested in playing, please reach out to Christian.

Thanksgiving Day Worship will be at 9:30 am on 11/27.

Ushers	11/16	Kendall B, Larry B.
	11/23	Phil S, Nathan V, Anthony F, Daniel R.
	11/30	Trevor B, Tim Z, Josh E, Christian K, David R.
Cleaning		This Week – The Albrechts (wk. 1)
		Up Next – The Eigenbergs

Reaffirmation of Baptism

Brenna Ann Rovere

Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

C I BELIEVE...

in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the Holy Christian Church, the Communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn: TLH #301

"He that Believes and is Baptized"



Micah 4:1-6

"For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all

evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ² But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. ³ And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts. ⁴ "Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and rules that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel. ⁵ "Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. ⁶ And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction."

God's Great and Awesome Justice

I. Sinners will get what's coming to them

II. Christ got what was coming for sinners

The Introit

Ps. 121:1-2, 5, 7-8; Lk. 21:33

A collection of passages that set the tone for the service.

P Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

C I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?

P My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

C The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade on your right hand.

P The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

C The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

The Gloria Patri

TLH #528:15

Latin for "Glory be to the Father."

C ♪ *My heart for joy is springing And can no more be sad,
'Tis full of mirth and singing, Sees naught but sunshine glad.
The Sun that cheers my spirit Is Jesus Christ, my King;
That which I shall inherit Makes me rejoice and sing.*

The Salutation

P The Lord be with you.

C ♪ *And with thy spirit.*

The Collect Prayer of the Day

P O Lord, almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may live and abide forever in Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C** ♪ *Amen.*



2 Thessalonians 3:1-13

Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, ² and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith. ³ But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you

against the evil one. ⁴ And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we command. ⁵ May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ. ⁶ Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. ⁷ For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸ nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. ⁹ It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. ¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. ¹¹ For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. ¹² Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³ As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

P The Holy Gospel is written in the twenty-first chapter of St. Luke, beginning at the fifth verse:

G *♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord!*



Luke 21:5-28

And while some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, he said, ⁶ "As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down." ⁷ And they asked him, "Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?" ⁸ And he said, "See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is at hand!' Do not go after them. ⁹ And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end

will not be at once." ¹⁰ Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. ¹¹ There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. ¹² But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake. ¹³ This will be your opportunity to bear witness. ¹⁴ Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, ¹⁵ for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. ¹⁷ You will be hated by all for my name's sake. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your lives. ²⁰ "But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near. ²¹ Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, ²² for these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all that is written. ²³ Alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! For there will be great distress upon the earth and wrath against this people. ²⁴ They will fall by the edge of the sword and be led captive among all nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled. ²⁵ "And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, ²⁶ people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷ And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸ Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

P Here ends the Gospel.

G *♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ!*