

† 22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST †
November 9, 2025

Service of Holy Communion 9:00 & 10:45 a.m.
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PRELUDE

Jesus ist kommen

John Behnke

OPENING HYMN (*Congregation rising*)

LSB Hymn 533

Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure Eternal

INVOCATION and CONFESSION

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

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, let us first confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

(LSB Page 204)

To God on high be glory and peace to all the earth;
goodwill from God in heaven proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name we sing –
our thanks for Your great glory, Lord, God our heav'nly King.

To You, O sole-begotten, the Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; receive our heartfelt cry,
where You in pow'r are seated at God's right hand on high.

For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit alone are Lord Most High,
in God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

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C And also with you.

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C Almighty and ever-living God, Your power is made known chiefly in showing mercy. Grant us the fullness of Your grace to lay hold of Your promises and live forever in Your presence; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Job 19:23-27

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L This is the Word of the Lord.

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EPISTLE

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L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

(9:00) **CHANCEL CHOIR**

Arise, My Soul, Arise!

Dale Wood

*Arise, my soul, arise! Stretch forth to things eternal,
and haste thee to the feet of thy Redeemer God.*

*Though hid from mortal eyes, He dwells in light supernal,
yet worship Him in humbleness and own Him Lord.*

His banquet of love awaits thee above;

*behold, the marriage festal of the Lamb is come!
 Rejoice, my soul, rejoice; to heav'n lift up thy voice: Alleluia!
 List to the harps of heav'n! Hark to the song victorious,
 the never-ending anthem sounding through the sky.
 To mortals is not giv'n to chant its strains all glorious;
 yet sing, my soul, the praise of Him who reigns on high.
 Who bought with His Blood the ransomed of God;
 to Him be everlasting pow'r and victory.
 And let the great Amen resound through heav'n again. Alleluia!*

ALLELUIA VERSE (*Congregation rising*) (LSB Page 205)
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that
 Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL Luke 20:27-38
 P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 20th chapter.
 C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

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P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
 C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

(9:00) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

HYMN OF THE DAY Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious **LSB Hymn 548**

SERMON Rev. Mark Budenholzer

THE APOSTLES' CREED (*Congregation rising*)
**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
 And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence 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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A Hear us, O God;

C **Your mercy is great.**

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING/VOLUNTARY

It is Well with My Soul

John Carter

† HOLY COMMUNION †

PREFACE (*Congregation rising*)

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

♪**SANCTUS** (*Sung to "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"*)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God by heav'nly hosts adored,

God of power, God of might, in Your glory infinite:

Hail, hosanna! Now we sing to our glorious Lord and King.

Blest is He who from above comes to us with joy and love.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **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.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION and SIGN OF PEACE

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

AGNUS DEI

(LSB Page 210, adapted)

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;

Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, and grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

I Know That My Redeemer Lives
When Peace, Like a River

LSB Hymn 461

LSB Hymn 763

As you come forward, you will receive the bread in your hand (please ask for "gluten-free" if desired); then take the wine in the individual cup from the tray. White grape juice is available in the center of the tray. After drinking, place empty cups in the second tray.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *(Congregation rising)*

A Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our pilgrimage, that on the day of His coming, we may together with all Your saints celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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CLOSING HYMN

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

LSB Hymn 717

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace to serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Resurrection Toccata

Colin Curtis

Evening Service of Holy Communion 5:30 p.m.

PRELUDE

Duke Street

Wilbur Held

INVOCATION and CONFESSION (*Congregation rising*)

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

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

C Gracious God, have mercy on us. In Your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by Your Spirit so that we may live and serve You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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P Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

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DISTRIBUTION

On Saturdays, distribution will be at the main altar. You will receive the bread first (please ask for "gluten-free" if desired), then the wine in the individual cup. White grape juice is available in the center of the tray. Empty cups will be collected at the end.

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Andante

John Stanley

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COMMUNION STATEMENT

Village Lutheran Church welcomes to Holy Communion those baptized Christians who: †Know Jesus Christ as their Savior (*John 20:31*); †Recognize that the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine (*1 Cor. 11:29*); †Are able to examine themselves and repent of their sins (*1 Cor. 11:28*); and †Look to God's Holy Spirit for help in living the Christian life (*Col. 1:10*). Persons not receiving Communion may come forward to receive a blessing.

Participants in the Service:

Rev. Mark Budenholzer, Associate Pastor/Director of Youth & Family Ministries
Marcia Kollmann, Associate Organist (Saturday)
Deborah Reiss, Minister of Music (Sunday)

Lector	5:30 Mimi Blanco	9:00 Chris Clark	10:45 George Pietarinen
Asst. Minister		Chris Clark	George Pietarinen
Communion Asst.	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Altar Care	Ilse Koerper	Anton DeRosa	
Usher Team	Volunteer	Ralph Schoene Maria Gitter	Charlie Eisenberg
Sexton		Kaitlyn Clark	
Refreshments		Thrivent Financial	

News and Notes:

Chancel flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Christopher Roge, from his family.

Helpful Tips from Thrivent – Rocco Degregorio will be available during coffee hour this Sunday to highlight Thrivent programs to benefit our church, such as Action Teams and Thrivent Choice Dollars. He will also offer updates on financial issues like the Secure Act 2.0 and how that might create a tax concern for heirs who inherit retirement accounts.

New Member Sunday – We will be recognizing and welcoming new church members during worship on the weekend of **November 15-16**. If you are interested in becoming a VLC member but have not yet done so officially, please fill out a membership form at our web site (VLC-NY.org), speak to Pastor Budenholzer, or contact the church office at 914-337-0207, x1003 or Krapillo@VLC-NY.org by **Monday, November 10**.

Veterans Helping Veterans – Are you a veteran or actively serving in the military or reserves? As we approach Veterans Day this week, **Deacon Larry Cosentino would like your input** on creating new opportunities for ministry among the brave men and women who have served or are serving in our military. If interested, make a note on the pew card or contact Deacon Larry at Larry.Cosentino@gmail.com or (646)369-7408.

“Strengthening God’s House” Capital Campaign Pledges – We continue to get closer to our goal of \$1.6M in pledges to support needed repairs and upgrades to our facilities. Every pledge is meaningful as we join together to keep our church and school in good working order. If you have not yet made a pledge, please prayerfully consider what you might give and turn in your pledge card today. Thank you for helping to sustain our ministry.

TEAM CHAPEL “VIRTUAL 26.2” MARATHON – Race at your own pace in support of VLC/TCS! Rather than running the full marathon in one day, participants have 10 days to walk, jog or run a total of 26.2 miles (that’s only 2.6 miles a day) from **November 14-24, 2025**. Sign up to join Team Chapel today: Go to www.tinyurl.com/TeamChapel2025

Christmas at Sea – Share the love of Christ with seafarers working far from home. Pick up a satchel and purchase the specific items listed inside, including 1 sweatshirt, 3 pairs of socks, 1 T-shirt, 1 knit cap, 1 snack item and a signed card. Shirts are requested to be Medium or Large (no XL). Bring filled satchels back to VLC by **Sunday, Nov. 30**.

Youth Holiday Tag Sale – Get ready for the holidays and support our youth! Got too much stuff? Pass along your gently used holiday items for others to enjoy, such as decorations, ribbons, gift bags, small gift items, candles, picture frames and jewelry. Need a gift or some holiday cheer? Find just what you like for a great price. **The Tag Sale will be held the weekend of November 22-23. Please drop off donations at the Reception Desk by Friday, Nov. 21.**

SOUP KITCHEN – Prepare food in aluminum trays (available at the Reception desk) and drop-off in the parking lot from 12:00-1:00. Please go to our church web site to sign up and indicate what food you will prepare. The next date is **Wednesday, November 19**. Contact Katie Bukofzer at etakwhit@aol.com.

Crochet Ministry – There will be no organized meeting from November through February. Please continue on your own and drop off prayer shawls or other items. Feel free to pick up yarn and accessories from our supply. If you have any questions, contact Kim Rapillo at 914-337-0207 x1003 or Krapillo@VLC-NY.org

Prayer Conference Call – All are welcome to our service of evening prayer by phone on the last Tuesday of the month, led by Pastoral Assistant Morris Mayer. To participate, simply dial (1) 732-434-3982. The next service is **Tuesday, Nov. 25, at 6:00 p.m.**

Decorating Party – We will be decorating our campus on the **First Sunday of Advent, November 30**, at 12:00 noon. Pizza will be provided for all volunteers. If you wish, bring a dessert to share. Please RSVP to the church office (914-337-0207 x1018 or Krapillo@VLC-NY.org) or use the back side of the pew card.

Joyful Jams Christmas Drop-In Classes – Children ages 10 months to 3 years and their caregivers are invited to our special one-hour interactive music and play sessions in December. These will be held on **Friday, December 5, at 10:00 a.m. and Monday, December 15, at 9:00 a.m.** Space is limited to the first 20 registrants for each class. A fee of \$20 per class is due at the time of each session. For more info go to TheChapelSchool.org or REGISTER HERE: <https://forms.gle/2hzFfntydGKbLRwP7>

Wednesday Bible Study – On November 12 we will start John chapter 9 on the story of physical and spiritual blindness.

Youth News: Voyagers (Grades 3-6) meet Thursday, Nov. 13, at 6:00 p.m. in the MPR; Lifers (Grades 7-8) Confirmation class on Sunday, Nov. 9; Crusaders (Grades 9-12) Donuts & Discussion on Sunday, Nov. 9

Music Ministry: Rehearsals for this week are as follows:

- ❖ High School Choir – Sunday, Nov. 9 and 16, at 10:15 a.m.
- ❖ Village Bells – Wednesday, Nov. 12, at 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ Youth Choir – Thurs., Nov. 13, at 7:00 p.m.
- ❖ Chancel Choir – Thurs., Nov. 13, at 7:30 p.m.; Sun., Nov. 16, at 8:40 a.m.

Prayer Line: We pray for the sick and those experiencing any kind of difficulty: Adele Acosta, Elizabeth Acosta, Marcela Acosta, Victor Acosta, Salvatore Alleluia, Liz Bales, Antonella Barbuto, Irene Bryant, Kelly Coffey, Davenport Family (Sonya, Joshua, Joshlyne, Jaraya), Sonia Dooley, Jake & Christine Gitter, Lena Hakanson, Nancy Jewell, Michelle Liscoe, Nancy Mahler, Joe Marino, Thomas Marks, Raymond McCarthy, Cathy Niebanck, Aaliyah Pedrosa, Joshua Pedrosa, Paola Pedrosa, Elaine Podszus, David Porter, Todd Rupe, John Scaramuzzo, Joyce Shigesake, Sharon Sjonvall, Joanne Stellmaszyk, Peter Williams, Linda Wolff

Bereavement Prayer Line: We pray for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

- † **Laurence Newton**, friend of Greg Perotto, passed away on October 30, 2025
- † **Ruth Frances Davenport**, mother-in-law of Sonya Davenport, passed away on October 22, 2025

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