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Seattle Finnish Lutheran Church

November 15, 2026 at 10 am



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FI Hymnal of Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland
LBW Lutheran Book of Worship (the green book)
ELW Evangelical Lutheran Worship (the red book)
WOV With One Voice (the blue book)

25th Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING - JOHDANTO

PRELUDE – ALKUMUSIIKKI
WELCOME – TERVETULOA

OPENING HYMN – ALKUVIRSI *FI 924 Edessä reitti tuntematon aukeaa*

GREETING - TERVEHDYS
P Isän ja Pojan ja Pyhän Hengen nimeen.
(In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit)
C Amen, amen, amen.
P Herra olkoon teidän kanssanne. *(The Lord be with you)*
C Niin myös sinun henkesi kanssa. *(So also with you)*

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS – YHTEINEN RIPPI
Introduction to the Confession – Johdanto rippiin

The Prayer for Forgiveness – Anteeksipyynnön rukous
Holy God,
we confess that we have trusted in our preparation
instead of your invitation.
We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved.
We trust the voice of our shame and fear,
which keeps us from entering fully
into relationship with you and others.
We are not awake to the coming of your reign.
Rouse us and rescue us,
that we may enter into your joy.
Amen.

The Words of Forgiveness – Anteeksiannon sanat

HYMN OF PRAISE – KIITOSVIRSI FI 342 *Niin ihanaa on ylistää*

PRAYER OF THE DAY – PÄIVÄN RUKOUS

WORD - SANA

1st BIBLE READING – 1. LUKUKAPPALE
MUSIC FOR MEDITATION – VASTAUSMUSIIKKI
2nd BIBLE READING – 2. LUKUKAPPALE

HYMN OF THE DAY LBW 355 *Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow*

THE GOSPEL - EVANKELIUMI
MESSAGE – SAARNA
CREED - USKONTUNNUSTUS

HYMN – VIRSI -FI 343:1-3, 6 *Voisinpa Jeesuksestani*

COMMON PRAYER - YHTEINEN ESIRUKOUS

THE LORD'S PRAYER - ISÄ MEIDÄN

SENDING – PÄÄTÖS

CLOSING HYMN – PÄÄTÖSVIRSI *Christ Be our Light*

BLESSING – SIUNAUS

ANNOUNCEMENTS - ILMOITUKSET
POSTLUDE – PÄÄTÖSMUSIIKKI

Coffee and refreshments

BIBLE TEXTS

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 90:1-8, 12

1 Lord, you have been our refuge
from one generation to another.
2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born,
from age to age you are God.
3 You turn us back to the dust and say,
"Turn back, O children of earth."
4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past and like a watch in the night;
5 you sweep them away like a dream,
they fade away suddenly like the grass:
6 in the morning it is green and flourishes;
in the evening it is dried up and withered.
7 For we are consumed by your anger;
we are afraid because of your wrath.
8 Our iniquities you have set before you,
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.
12 So teach us to number our days
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

New Testament Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-5, 9-11

1 Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you
do not need to have anything written to you. 2 For you yourselves
know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the
night. 3 When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden
destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a
pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! 4 But you, brothers and
sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief;
5 for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of
the night or of darkness.
9 For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation
through our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 who died for us, so that whether we
are awake or asleep we may live with him. 11 Therefore encourage one
another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

[Jesus said to the disciples:] 14 "For it is as if a man, going on a
journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them;
15 to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each
according to his ability. Then he went away. At once 16 the one who
had received the five talents went off and traded with them and made
five more talents. 17 In the same way, the one who had the two talents
made two more talents. 18 But the one who had received the one
talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's
money. 19 After a long time the master of those slaves came and
settled accounts with them. 20 Then the one who had received the five
talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you
handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.'
21 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you
have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many
things; enter into the joy of your master.' 22 And the one with the two
talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two
talents; see, I have made two more talents.' 23 His master said to him,
'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in
a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy
of your master.' 24 Then the one who had received the one talent also
came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man,
reaping where you did not sow and gathering where you did not
scatter, 25 so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the
ground. Here you have what is yours.' 26 But his master replied, 'You
wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not
sow and gather where I did not scatter? 27 Then you ought to have
invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have
received what was my own with interest. 28 So take the talent from
him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. 29 For to all those who
have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance, but from
those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away.
30 As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness,
where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' "

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
And deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever.
Amen.

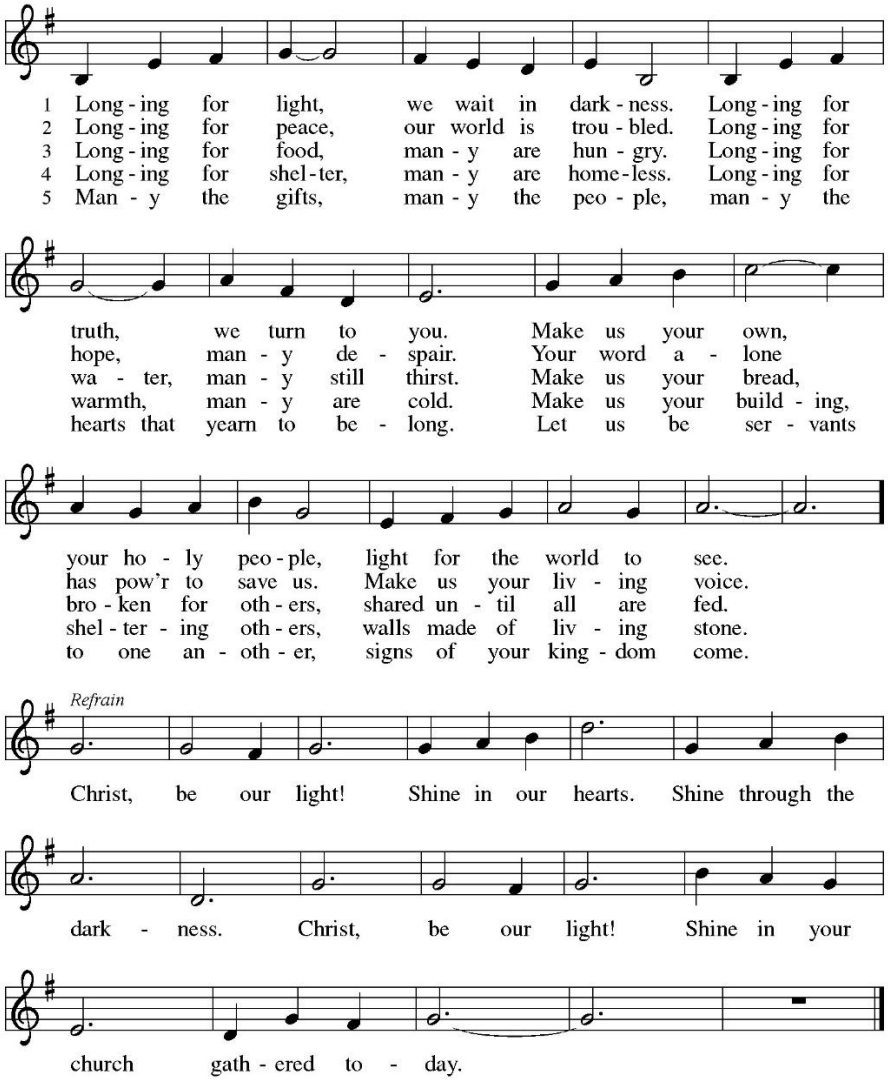
Apostolinen uskontunnustus

Minä uskon Jumalaan,
Isään, Kaikkivaltiaaseen,
taivaan ja maan Luojaan,
ja Jeesukseen Kristukseen,
Jumalan ainoaan Poikaan, meidän Herraamme,
joka sikisi Pyhästä Hengestä,
syntyi neitsyt Mariasta,
kärsi Pontius Pilatuksen aikana,
ristiinnaulittiin, kuoli ja haudattiin,
astui alas tuonelaan,
nousi kolmantena päivänä kuolleista,
astui ylös taivaisiin,
istuu Jumalan, Isän, Kaikkivaltiaan, oikealla puolella
ja on sieltä tuleva tuomitsemaan eläviä ja kuolleita,
ja Pyhään Henkeen,
pyhän, yhteisen seurakunnan,
pyhäin yhteyden,
syntien anteeksiantamisen,
ruumiin ylösnousemisen
ja iankaikkisen elämän.

Isä meidän -rukous

Isä meidän, joka olet taivaissa.
Pyhitetty olkoon sinun nimesi.
Tulkoon sinun valtakuntasi.
Tapahtukoon sinun tahtosi,
myös maan päällä niin kuin taivaassa.
Anna meille tänä päivänä meidän jokapäiväinen leipämme.
Ja anna meille meidän syntimme anteeksi,
niin kuin mekin anteeksi annamme niille,
jotka ovat meitä vastaan rikkoneet.
Äläkä saata meitä kiusaukseen,
vaan päästä meidät pahasta.
Sillä sinun on valtakunta ja voima ja kunnia iankaikkisesti.
Aamen.

Christ, Be Our Light



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