The liturgical color is green, signifying life and growth in the Christian Church, it is the twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

"Sonata in D Maior" Amy Bender, organist Scarlatti/arr. Hopson

Willie Dycks, Liturgist **WELCOME**

*CALL TO WORSHIP

This is the day that the Lord has made!

Let us rejoice and be alad in it!

We gather to worship Christ the king.

Thus says the Lord, our King:

I am the one who is hungry, asking for food

Let us worship, Christ, our King.

I am the person who is thirsty, holding an empty cup

Let us worship, Christ, our King.

I am the stranger whom you fear, will you welcome me?

Let us worship, Christ, our King.

I am standing in the cold in need of warm clothing, will you notice me?

Let us worship, Christ, our King.

I am sick with no family and no insurance, who will care for me?

Let us worship, Christ, our King.

I am in prison, unwanted by society, will you visit me?

May our worship inspire us to feed, share, welcome, clothe, care for, and visit you that we may know your kingdom as a kin-dom where all see one another as members of your family.

*OPENING HYMN

"O Worship the King"

UMH #73

*OPENING PRAYER

Children are invited to stay in worship or meet in the Narthex to go to Sunday School

*Congregation invited to stand if able

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC 9:00

"How Great Thou Art" Karen Nemelka, flute arr. Gary Lanier

11:00

"How Great Thou Art" Laurie Babcock & Karen Nemlka, duet arr. Lloyd Larson

SCRIPTURE

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24, p. 612

KIN-DOM SIGNS

SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

You may place your offering in the Offering Box at the entrance of the Sanctuary or give online using the link on the back of the bulletin

OFFERTORY 9:00

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

arr. Gary Lanier

11:00

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arr. Lloyd Larson

*DOXOLOGY #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SHARING STORIES OF GOD AT WORK THROUGH CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL 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. Amen.

HYMN OF CENTERING

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

UMH #381

SCRIPTURE

MESSAGE

"Inspired to Love God's Family"

Rev. Steve Stultz Costello

Matthew 25:31-46, p. 702

*HYMN OF MISSION

"In Christ There Is No Fast or West"

UMH #548

*FAITH IN ACTION

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION SUNG RESPONSE "Go Now In Peace"

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen. Amen. Amen.

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POSTLUDE

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Hans Friedrich Micheelsen



Altar Flowers are presented by Norm Brobst In Loving Memory of Wife, Natalie

Lectern Flowers from last Sunday were presented by Jim & Jean Kusar In Memory of parents Don & Jan Hubbell and Gerald Kusar

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Traditional Worship

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