



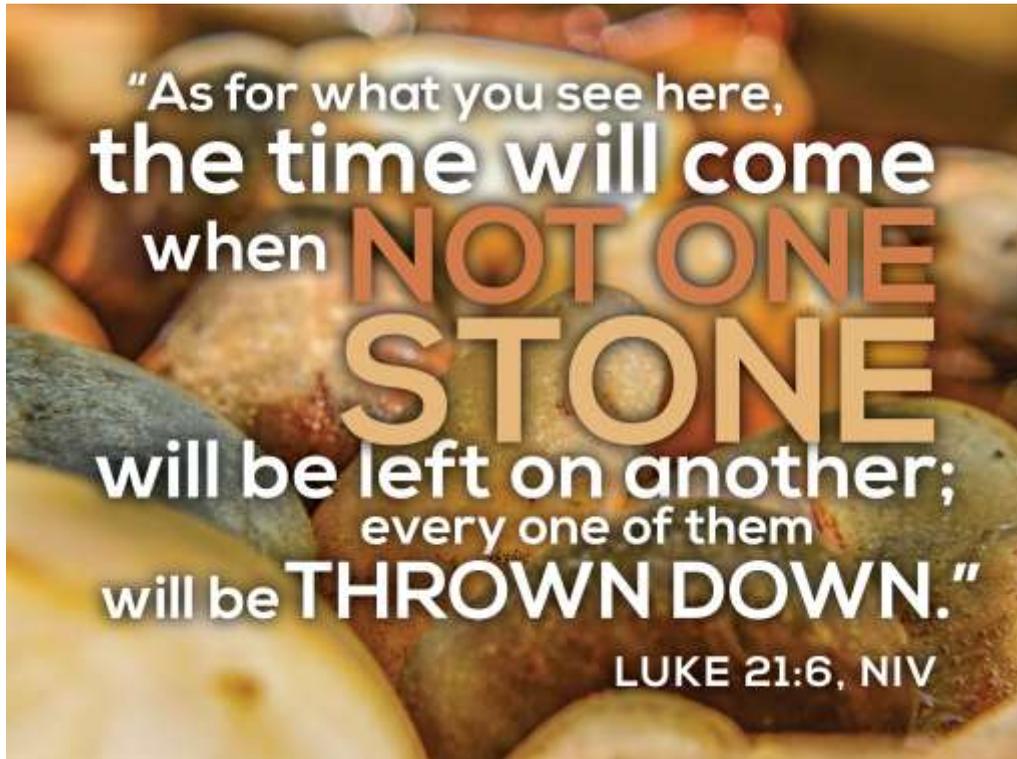
# Jerusalem

evangelical lutheran church

November 13, 2022

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 AM Worship Service



## Mission Statement

SOW. The Gospel of Jesus the Christ to all generations

GROW. His followers into spiritually mature disciples

GO. Back into the world to serve others in His name

## WELCOME

We are so glad you have chosen to join with us today as we gather in worship to give thanks to our gracious and loving God. If you have particular needs and/or questions please speak with an usher. Again, thanks for spending a little time with us.

## THIS WEEK AT JERUSALEM

Sunday, November 13	<b>Congregational Annual Meeting</b>	
	9:30 AM	Single In-person & live stream worship service
	10:30 AM	Annual Meeting (Sanctuary)
	11:30 AM	ASP Breakfast (SH)
Monday, November 14	5 - 7:00 PM	Yoga Classes (YC)
	6:30 PM	Christmas Pageant Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Tuesday, November 15	7:00 PM	Council Meeting ( SH)
	10:00 AM	Book Club (Office Parlor)
Wednesday, November 16	6:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	7:30 PM	Adoration
	8:00 PM	AA Meeting (YC)
Thursday, November 17	9:30 AM	Care Team Meeting (YC)
	11:00 AM	Home Communion Training (YC)
	6:30 PM	Steepleringers Rehearsal
Saturday, November 19	7:00 AM	AA Meeting (YC)
Sunday, November 20		<b>Christ the King Sunday</b>
	8:30 AM	In-person & live stream worship service
	9:45 AM	Christian Education
	11:00 AM	In-person worship service

**The People of Jerusalem Congregation, Ministers**  
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## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRELUDE** “*The Lord’s My Shepherd*” arr. Edwards

**Steepleringers**

### \***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
who redeems us in Christ Jesus,  
whose steadfast love endures forever.

**Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,  
**we confess that we have sinned against you  
and our neighbors.  
We have ignored voices  
that call for your justice.  
We have neglected actions  
that witness to your righteousness.  
We have spoken and acted  
in ways that disrupt your beloved community.  
We truly repent of things we have done  
and left undone.  
For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.  
Restore our troubled spirits,  
so that we may live in newness,  
follow the way of the Spirit,  
and build up the body of Christ.  
Amen.**

Rejoice and be glad!

God hears the prayers of all who cry out,  
and restores us to life through the death  
and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Therefore, I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins,  
in the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**\*HYMN** “10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)”

**REFRAIN:**

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
O my soul; worship His holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

1. The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,  
it's time to sing Your song again.  
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,  
let me be singing when the evening comes. **REFRAIN**

2. You're rich in love and You're slow to anger.  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.  
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing;  
ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. **REFRAIN**

3. And on that day, when my strength is failing,  
the end draws near, and my time has come;  
still, my soul will sing Your praise unending;  
ten thousand years, and then forevermore! **REFRAIN 2x**

Worship Your holy name,  
Lord, I'll worship Your holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul;  
I'll worship Your holy name,  
Worship Your holy name, worship Your holy name.

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**\*GREETING**

**P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**FIRST READING Isaiah 65:17-25**

A reading from Isaiah

- <sup>17</sup>For I am about to create new heavens  
and a new earth;  
the former things shall not be remembered  
or come to mind.
- <sup>18</sup>But be glad and rejoice forever  
in what I am creating;  
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy,  
and its people as a delight.
- <sup>19</sup>I will rejoice in Jerusalem,  
and delight in my people;  
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it,  
or the cry of distress.
- <sup>20</sup>No more shall there be in it  
an infant that lives but a few days,  
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;  
for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,  
and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.
- <sup>21</sup>They shall build houses and inhabit them;  
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
- <sup>22</sup>They shall not build and another inhabit;  
they shall not plant and another eat;  
for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,  
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.
- <sup>23</sup>They shall not labor in vain,  
or bear children for calamity;  
for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD—  
and their descendants as well.
- <sup>24</sup>Before they call I will answer,  
while they are yet speaking I will hear.
- <sup>25</sup>The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,  
the lion shall eat straw like the ox;  
but the serpent—its food shall be dust!  
They shall not hurt or destroy  
on all my holy mountain,  
says the LORD

L: The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION****ALL: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**CANTOR: Stand up and raise your heads,  
because your redemption is drawing near.**ALL: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.****\*GOSPEL READING      Luke 21:5-19**P: The holy gospel according to Luke.   **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>5</sup>When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, <sup>6</sup>“As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.”

<sup>7</sup>They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” <sup>8</sup>And he said, “Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them.

<sup>9</sup>“When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.” <sup>10</sup>Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; <sup>11</sup>there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

<sup>12</sup>“But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. <sup>13</sup>This will give you an opportunity to testify. <sup>14</sup>So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; <sup>15</sup>for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. <sup>16</sup>You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. <sup>17</sup>You will be hated by all because of my name. <sup>18</sup>But not a hair of your head will perish. <sup>19</sup>By your endurance you will gain your souls.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.   **C: Praise to you, O Christ.****SERMON****CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**\*HYMN** “*How Firm a Foundation*” (#796:1, 2, 4)

1. How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord,  
is laid for your faith in Christ Jesus, the Word!  
What more can He say than to you He has said  
who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?

2. “Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dismayed,  
for I am your God and will still give you aid;  
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.”

4. “Throughout all their lifetime My people shall prove  
My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love;  
and then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn,  
like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.”

**\*APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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. Amen.**

**\*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**\*SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you all! **And also with you.**

**OFFERING****OFFERING MUSIC****Adoration and Chancel Choir***“Come to Us, Creative Spirit”* Mowbray / Proulx**\*OFFERING PRAYER**

Blessed are you, Maker of all things. As you have entrusted us with all that you have created, now gather our gifts, nourish us with this sacrament, and send us to those who hunger and thirst, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

**\*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 and ever. Amen.**

**\*BLESSING**

The God of peace, who creates all things and calls them good, who makes us alive in Jesus, and who breathes on us the Spirit of hope, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

**\*CLOSING HYMN “Let All Things Now Living” (#881)**

1. Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving  
to God the creator triumphantly raise,  
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,  
who still guides us on to the end of our days.  
God’s banners are o’er us, God’s light goes before us,  
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night,  
till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,  
as forward we travel from light into light.

2. God rules all the forces: the stars in their courses  
and sun in its orbit obediently shine;  
the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,  
the deeps of the ocean proclaim God divine.  
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;  
with glad adoration a song let us raise  
till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:  
“To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!”

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**ANNUAL CONGREGATION MEETING**



## SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

It is once again time to start planning for our  
Annual Sunday School Christmas Pageant.  
Pageant will take place during our  
Christmas Eve 4PM service.

Rehearsals will be held **Monday nights:**  
11/14, 11/28, 12/05, 12/12, 12/19\* (\*if needed)  
from 6:30 - 8:00 PM.

Dress rehearsal will be held on  
Sunday, December 18th,  
immediately after the 11:00 AM Service  
(12:00-1:30 PM)  
Lunch will be provided

We would love for everyone to participate. Please let your Sunday School teacher know if your child would be interested in participating this year. Please email Norma Grosick or Robin Schlichter with any question or to confirm you will be participating.

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Robin Schlichter  
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## COMING EVENTS & NOTES...

**Annual Congregational Meeting:** Today immediately following the worship service!

**ASP Breakfast:** ASP breakfast will be in the Social Hall immediately following Annual Congregational Meeting.

**Home Communion Training:** This Thursday, November 17th at 11:00 AM in the Youth Center, Pastor Stan will be doing a "Home Communion Assistant Training Program". Anyone interested in attending should contact Babs de Frenes or Pastor Stan.

**JLNSDC Fundraiser:** Is hosting a Wawa Hoagie Fundraiser!! Please see insert for orders. Deadline for orders is Monday, November 21st!

**Adult Sunday School:** Please join us Sunday mornings at 9:45 AM in the Social Hall. We are beginning a study of the Book of Acts that has parallels situations to today. This class will be led by Pastor Stan

**Yoga Classes:** Starting November 7th Carrie Burger will once again share her skills by offering FREE yoga classes in the lower level of the Youth Center. Spread the word and invite your friends. All are welcomed! ***Chair Yoga*** begins at 5 PM. This class will run for 45 minutes, and no mat is required. ***Vinyasa Flow Yoga*** Class will begin at 6 PM. Bring a bottle of water, yoga mat, and yoga blocks if you have them. Beginners are welcomed! Feel free to reach out to Carrie by phone or text at 610-999-8404 or via email at: [psunow@msn.com](mailto:psunow@msn.com). Classes will be Monday evenings.

**Children's Christmas Pageant Rehearsals:** Will begin Monday, November 14th at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary. Rehearsals are scheduled to be held on 11/28, 12/05/, 12/12, and if needed 12/19. Dress rehearsal will be on Sunday, December 18th after the 11 AM worship service.

**Thanksgiving Eve Services:** Please join us for worship on Wednesday, November 23rd as we combine with Heidelberg UCC. There will be a service at noon and our usual 7:30 PM service with combined choirs. Both services are at Heidelberg UCC.

**Online Giving:** Please scan the attached QR code for online giving or to set-up automatic recurring payments if desired.





**Jerusalem's Generosity in Action**  
**The Evelyn F. Loeb Memorial Fund**

JELC is the trusted beneficiary of the Loeb fund, which provides assistance to needy persons in Montgomery and the surrounding counties. Thanks to the time and effort of the Loeb Fund committee: (Robin Fry, Caesar Gorski, Megan Incollingo, Andy Englehart and Pastor Stan), the fund has assisted a dozen people with more than \$10,000 in assistance over the past year.

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS SERVING TODAY

**9:30 AM**

**Ushers:** Paul Ensminger,  
John Markley, Joan Connolly

**Acolyte:** Logan Dice  
**Lector:** Janet Luyben  
**Cantor:** Andy Englehart

**Counters:** Bruce & Sue Fulmer  
**Altar Guild:** Louise Huniscker & Ardie Musselman  
**Banners:** Louise Hunsicker, Carol & John Souder

## PRAYER CONCERNS....

### PRAYERS FOR SPIRITUAL, PHYSICAL HEALING & RENEWAL

Susan Banyacski, Jean Bullard, Diane Burger, Bill Cressman, Anne Fisher,  
Pat Giarrocco, Chris Howell, Derick Kurby, John Markley, George Miller,  
Janet Neumann, Joseph Pelley, Bernie Slemmer,  
Marie Wolfe, Gail Wetzell & Ed Witte.

### ONGOING PRAYERS

Barbara Augastine, Brenda Belville, Reba Boll, Paul Carr, Garrett Coyne,  
DaSilva Family, Bryan Delowery, Rita Dickey, Scarlett Eccker,  
Betty Erwin, Debbie Feichthaler, Kenny Goldfeder, Maureen Garrett, Stephen Garrett,  
Susanna Gregor, Kristina Hering, Marion Herden, Debbie Hershberger,  
Morgan (Smith) Jordan, Gayle Joseph, Dorothy Kovacs, Debra Lerfald, Jane Markley,  
Peggy O'Bryan, Barbara Padworny, Susan Pongras, Barbara Rex, Albert Robinson,  
Dorothy Seitz, Amy Schlitter, Karen Smith, Lisa Smith, Elaine Troisi, Dave Umbach,  
Sue Wentzel, & Don Whitko.

### PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Cameron Cook, Timothy Donley, David Ellis, Dennis Flynn Jr.,  
Chuck Jefferis, Patrick Kelly, Michael Radicioni, & William Reimers.