Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, November 8, 2026 - 11:15am

Pre-service Music

Invocation

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

C **Amen.**

Exhortation *LSB 151*

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.** *1 John 1:8-9*

Confession of Sins *LSB 151*

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

(Silence for prayerful confession)

Absolution

Song:

"Mighty to Save"

by Reuben Morgan and Ben Fielding

Verse 1:
Everyone needs compassion
Love that's never failing
Let mercy fall on me
Everyone needs forgiveness
The kindness of a Saviour
The hope of nations

Chorus:
Saviour
He can move the mountains
My God is mighty to save
He is mighty to save
Forever
Author of salvation
He rose and conquered the grave
Jesus conquered the grave

Verse 2:
So take me as You find me
All my fears and failures
Fill my life again
I give my life to follow
Everything I believe in
Now I surrender

(Chorus)

(BRIDGE):
Shine your light
And let the whole world see
We're singing for the glory
Of the risen King Jesus
Shine your light
And let the whole world see
We're singing for the glory
Of the risen King

(Chorus), (Chorus)

Song:

"I Lift My Hands"
By Chris Tomlin, Matt Maher

Verse 1
Be still there is a healer
His love is deeper than the sea
His mercy is unfailing
His arms a fortress for the weak
Let faith arise
Let faith arise

Chorus
I lift my hands to believe again
You are my refuge
You are my strength
As I pour out my heart
These things I remember
You are faithful God forever

Verse 2
Be still there is a river
That flows from Calvary's tree
A fountain for the thirsty
Your grace that washes over me
Let faith arise
Let faith arise

(Chorus), (Chorus)

Bridge
Let faith arise let faith arise
Open my eyes open my eyes
Let faith arise let faith arise
Open my eyes open my eyes

(Chorus)

I lift my hands to believe again
You are my refuge
You are my strength
As I pour out my heart
These things I remember
You are faithful God, You're faithful God, forever

Prayer Time Concluded with Our Lord's Prayer

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.**

Song:

"Your Name"
by Paul Baloche

Verse 1: As morning dawns and evening fades
You inspire songs of praise
That rise from earth to touch Your heart
And glorify Your Name

Chorus: Your Name is a strong and mighty tower
Your Name is a shelter like no other
Your Name let the nations sing it louder
'Cause nothing has the power to save
But Your Name

Verse 2: Jesus in Your Name we pray
Come and fill our hearts today
Lord give us strength to live for You
And glorify Your Name

(Chorus)

(Interlude)

Your Name is a strong and mighty tower
Your Name is a shelter like no other
Your Name let the nations sing it louder
'Cause nothing has the power to save

(Chorus)

We Recognize and Honor Our Veterans

Welcome *Pastor Randy Bard*

Children's Time *Pastor Tim Eden*

Old Testament Reading *Amos 5:18–24*

18 Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD!
Why would you have the day of the LORD?
It is darkness, and not light,
19 as if a man fled from a lion,
and a bear met him,

or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall,
and a serpent bit him.
[20]Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light,
and gloom with no brightness in it?
[21]"I hate, I despise your feasts,
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.
[22]Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,
I will not accept them;
and the peace offerings of your fattened animals,
I will not look upon them.
[23]Take away from me the noise of your songs;
to the melody of your harps I will not listen.
[24]But let justice roll down like waters,
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream."

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Revelation 7:14b; Psalm 84:5

A These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.
C **They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.**
A Blessèd are those whose strength is in you,
C **In whose heart are the highways to Zion. Amen.**

Epistle Reading

1 Thessalonians 4:13–18

[13]But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. [14]For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. [15]For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. [16]For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. [17]Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. [18]Therefore encourage one another with these words.

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel Reading *Matthew 25:1–13*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

[1][Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and
went to meet the bridegroom. [2]Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. [3]For when the
foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, [4]but the wise took flasks of oil with
their lamps. [5]As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. [6]But at
midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' [7]Then all those
virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. [8]And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of
your oil, for our lamps are going out.' [9]But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not
be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' [10]And while
they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to
the marriage feast, and the door was shut. [11]Afterward the other virgins came also, saying,
'Lord, lord, open to us.' [12]But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' [13]Watch
therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

C **I believe in one God,**
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.

**And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.**

Sermon: "Encourage One Another", Part 1 *Pastor Tim Eden*

Our Offerings to the Lord

(Members & guests please fill out the attendance card found in the pew and place it in the offering plate. E-Giving available online at www.blcbcs.org)

Benediction

Closing Song:

"The Power of Your Love"
by Geoff Bullock

**Lord, I come to You, let my heart be changed, renewed,
flowing from the grace that I've found in You.
And Lord, I've come to know the weaknesses I see in me
will be stripped away by the pow'r of Your love.**

Refrain: **Hold me close, let Your love surround me;
Bring me near, draw me to Your side.
And as I wait, I'll rise up like an eagle and I will soar with You,
Your Spirit leads me on in the pow'r of Your love.**

**Lord, unveil my eyes, let me see You face to face,
the knowledge of Your love as You live in me.
Lord, renew my mind as Your will unfolds in my life,
in living ev'ry day in the pow'r of Your love.** ***(Refrain 2 times)***

And I will soar with You, Your Spirit leads me on in the pow'r of Your love.

Announcements

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