

WELCOME TO SPIRIT OF TRUTH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome visitors, we are glad you are here. Please fill out a visitor card located on the welcome table.

*Indicates to stand as you are able.

PRELUDE ~ Rhett Johnson, Pianist

WORDS OF WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEMPLE TALK ~ Phil Leidholt

MOMENT OF SILENCE

***OPENING HYMN ~ “Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me” #249**

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS ~ Reclaim page 21**

***RESPONSIVE READING ~ Psalm 18:1-16**

¹ I love you, O Lord, my strength.

² The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

³ I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies.

⁴ The cords of death encompassed me; the torrents of destruction assailed me;

⁵ the cords of Sheol entangled me; the snares of death confronted me.

⁶ In my distress I called upon the Lord; to my God I cried for help. From his temple he heard my voice, and my cry to him reached his ears.

⁷ Then the earth reeled and rocked; the foundations also of the mountains trembled and quaked, because he was angry.

⁸ Smoke went up from his nostrils, and devouring fire from his mouth; glowing coals flamed forth from him.

⁹ He bowed the heavens and came down; thick darkness was under his feet.

¹⁰ He rode on a cherub and flew; he came swiftly on the wings of the wind.

¹¹ He made darkness his covering, his canopy around him, thick clouds dark with water.

¹² Out of the brightness before him hailstones and coals of fire broke through his clouds.

¹³ The Lord also thundered in the heavens, and the Most High uttered his voice, hailstones and coals of fire.

¹⁴ And he sent out his arrows and scattered them; he flashed forth lightnings and routed them.

¹⁵ Then the channels of the sea were seen, and the foundations of the world were laid bare at your rebuke, O Lord, at the blast of the breath of your nostrils.

¹⁶ He sent from on high, he took me; he drew me out of many waters.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY ~** Almighty and merciful God, only by your gift of grace can the faithful offer service that is worthy of you and deserving of praise. Keep us from stumbling as we run to receive your promises; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON ~ Job 38:4-18

SECOND LESSON ~ Romans 10:5-17

CHILDRENS' SERMON

***GOSPEL HYMN ~ “Thy Word”**

***GOSPEL ~ Matthew 14:22-33**

SERMON ~ Pastor Jerry Merkouris

***SERMON HYMN ~ “My Jesus”**

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***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH/THE LORDS’ PRAYER**

OFFERING ~ Rhett Johnson, Pianist

***OFFERING RESPONSE ~ “Give Thanks”**

***OFFERING PRAYER**

P: Merciful Father,

*C: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what You have first
given us – ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of
Your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Him who
offered Himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

CLOSING HYMN ~ “He Leadeth Me” #232

***BENEDICTION**

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord. *C: Thanks be to God!*

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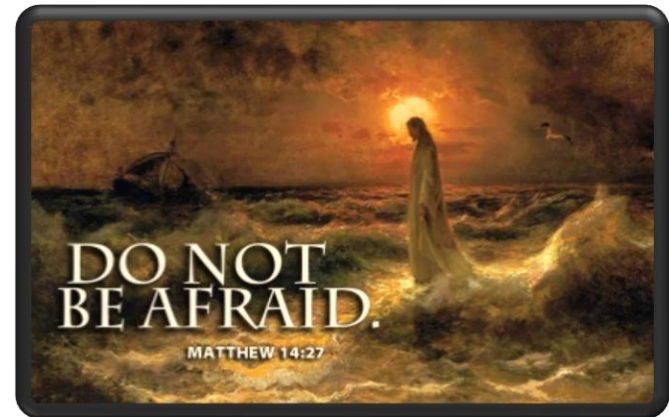
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*But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes,
He will guide you into all the truth.*

*He will not speak on his own;
He will speak only what he hears,
And he will tell you what is yet to come.*

John 16:13

August 9, 2026

9:30 am Worship Service