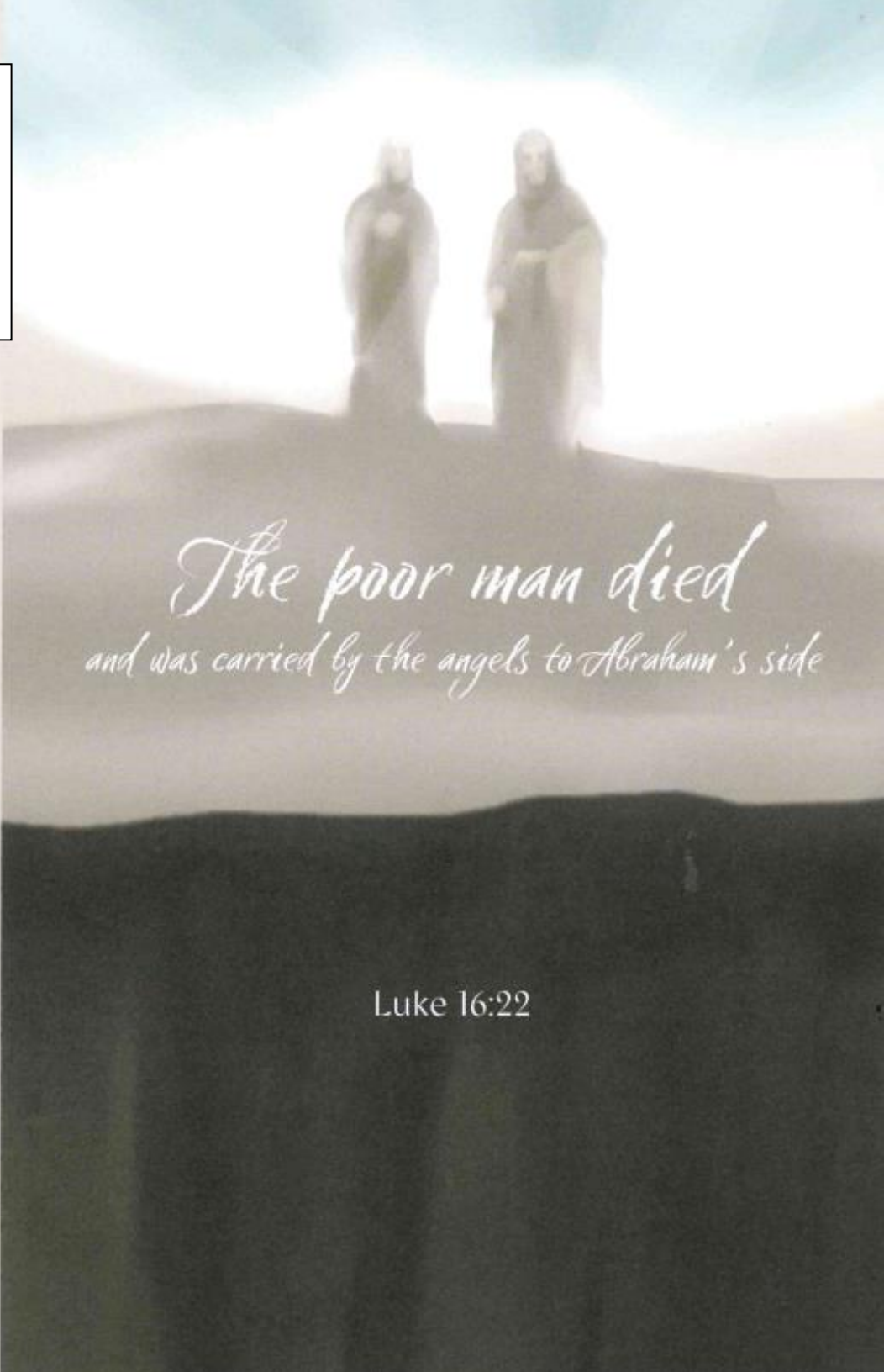


FULL SERVICE
September 28, 2025
8:00 AM
In person &
YouTube
Facebook Live
Broadcast at
10:30 AM WLBK
on 1360 Radio

About The Cover:

In life and in death, Lazarus was comforted by the Word of the Lord, while the rich man sought only comforts that did not last. The rich man, even after death, believed that Lazarus was there to serve him and his family. His family already had everything they needed to find the comfort of God: the Law and the Prophets. We have everything we need today. Whether rich or poor, true comfort is found only in God's Word made flesh, Jesus, who has indeed risen from the dead.



*The poor man died
and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side*

Luke 16:22

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THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Theme for Worship: In our Epistle lesson Paul continues writing to Timothy, who was sent to be a head Pastor for the Church in Ephesus. This morning we'll hear Paul's instructions on how to select others who will serve alongside Timothy and under His guidance. These same instructions still ring true, when properly understood, for how the Church selects its leadership today. This morning we'll take a closer look at the role of "Pastor" and their task of leading people to the Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ.

♪ **Pre-Service Music: "Beautiful Savior"**

Adult Choir

The Ringing of The Bells

Welcome

♪ **Opening Hymn: "What Is the World to Me"**

---LSB #730

1 What is the world to me
With all its vaunted pleasure
When You, and You alone,
Lord Jesus, are my treasure!
You only, dearest Lord,
My soul's delight shall be;
You are my peace, my rest.
What is the world to me!

3 The world seeks after wealth
And all that mammon offers
Yet never is content
Though gold should fill its coffers.
I have a higher good,
Content with it I'll be:
My Jesus is my wealth.
What is the world to me!

2 The world seeks to be praised
And honored by the mighty
Yet never once reflects
That they are frail and flighty.
But what I truly prize
Above all things is He,
My Jesus, He alone.
What is the world to me!

4 What is the world to me!
My Jesus is my treasure,
My life, my health, my wealth,
My friend, my love, my pleasure,
My joy, my crown, my all,
My bliss eternally.
Once more, then, I declare:
What is the world to me!

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The Invocation

[P] In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

[C] Amen.

Confession and Absolution

[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.

Silence For Reflection On God's Word and For Self-examination

[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.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Introit

Psalm 119:73–75, 77; antiphon: v. 76

P Let your steadfast love comfort me

C according to your promise to your servant.

P Your hands have made and fashioned me;

C give me understanding that I may learn your commandments.

P Those who fear you shall see me and rejoice,

C because I have hoped in your word.

P I know, O LORD, that your just decrees are righteous,

C and that in faithfulness you have afflicted me.

P Let your mercy come to me, that I may live;

C for your law is my delight.

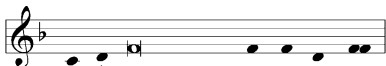
P& C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P Let your steadfast love comfort me

C according to your promise to your servant.

♪ Kyrie

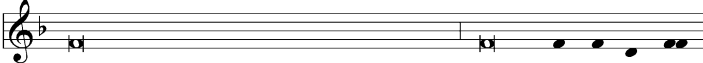
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A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



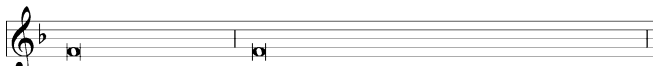
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



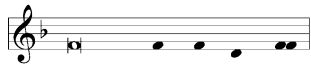
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



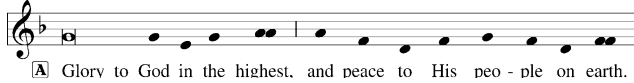
A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



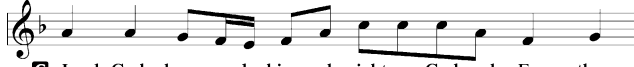
C A - men.

♫ Gloria in Excelsis

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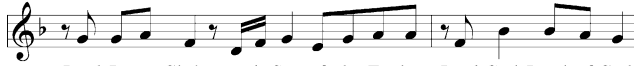
A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray

C O God, You are the strength of all who trust in You, and without Your aid we can do no good thing. Grant us the help of Your grace that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Service of The Word

Old Testament

Amos 6:1-7

¹“Woe to those who are at ease in Zion, and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria, the notable men of the first of the nations, to whom the house of Israel comes! ²Pass over to Calneh, and see, and from there go to Hamath the great; then go down to Gath of the Philistines. Are you better than these kingdoms? Or is their territory greater than your territory, ³O you who put far away the day of disaster and bring near the seat of violence? ⁴“Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and stretch

themselves out on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the midst of the stall, ⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David invent for themselves instruments of music, ⁶who drink wine in bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! ⁷Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile, and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Timothy 3:1–13

¹The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task. ²Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, ³not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. ⁴He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, ⁵for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God’s church? ⁶He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil. ⁷Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil. ⁸Deacons likewise must be dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain. ⁹They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. ¹⁰And let them also be tested first; then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless. ¹¹Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober-minded, faithful in all things. ¹²Let deacons each be the husband of one wife, managing their children and their own households well. ¹³For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Children’s Message

Pastor Marty

♪ Choir Anthem: “This Is the Day”

Adult Choir

♪ Alleluia and Verse

C Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e-ter-nal life. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

The Holy Gospel Lesson

Luke 16:19-31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 16th chapter.

C **Glorify to You, O Lord.** (*Sung*)

¹⁹[Jesus said:] “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, ²³and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. ²⁴And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ ²⁵But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. ²⁶And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ ²⁷And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house— ²⁸for I

have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ ³⁰And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ ³¹He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to you O Christ (*sung*)

♪ Sermon Hymn: “O God, My Faithful God”

---LSB #696 v.1-4

1 O God, my faithful God,
True fountain ever flowing,
Without whom nothing is,
All perfect gifts bestowing:
Give me a healthy frame,
And may I have within
A conscience free from blame,
A soul unstained by sin.

2 Grant me the strength to do
With ready heart and willing
Whatever You command,
My calling here fulfilling;
That I do what I should
While trusting You to bless
The outcome for my good,
For You must give success.

3 Keep me from saying words
That later need recalling;
Guard me lest idle speech
May from my lips be falling;
But when within my place
I must and ought to speak,
Then to my words give grace
Lest I offend the weak.

4 Lord, let me win my foes
With kindly words and actions,
And let me find good friends
For counsel and correction.
Help me, as You have taught,
To love both great and small
And by Your Spirit’s might
To live in peace with all.

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Sermon: “Shepherds”

Rev. Marty Marks

Apostles Creed

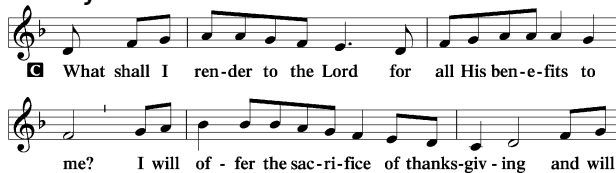
C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering

(An offering plate is available in the narthex; plates will not be passed during the worship service. Immanuel now has the ability to accept offerings through online giving. Families can easily give one-time or set up as recurring gifts. Simply make a secure donation via electronic check by visiting www.ImmanuelDeKalb.com. If you choose to set up a recurring gift, you will be prompted by email to create your own online donor account to manage your gifts.)

♪ Offertory

---LSB #159





Announcements

Prayers of the Church

*The Leader says prayers for specific and general concerns of God's people, following each petition with "Lord in your mercy" to which the congregation responds with "**Hear our prayer.**"*

The 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.

♪ Closing Hymn: "The Lord, My God, Be Praised"

---LSB #794

1 The Lord, my God, be praised, My light, my life from heaven;
My maker, who to me, Has soul and body given;
My Father, who will shield, And keep me day by day
And make each moment yield, New blessings on my way.

2 The Lord, my God, be praised, My trust, my life from heaven,
The Father's own dear Son, Whose life for me was given,
Who for my sin atoned, With His most precious blood
And gives to me by faith, The highest heav'nly good.

3 The Lord, my God, be praised, My hope, my life from heaven,
The Spirit, whom the Son, In love to me has given.
His grace revives my heart, And gives my spirit pow'r,
Help, comfort, and support, In sorrow's gloomy hour.

△4 The Lord, my God, be praised, My God, the ever-living,
To whom the heav'nly host, Their laud and praise are giving.
The Lord, my God, be praised, In whose great name I boast,
God Father, God the Son, And God the Holy Ghost.

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Benediction

Silent Prayers

Postlude

PARTICIPANTS September 28, 2025		
Altar Guild: Carolyn McQuillan		
	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Musicians	Linda Conrad, <i>organist</i> C-J Motisi, <i>pianist & soloist</i>	Angela Pringnitz, <i>Spiritwind coordinator</i>
Pastor	Rev. Marty Marks	Rev. Marty Marks
Children's Message	Rev. Marty Marks	Rev. Marty Marks
Acolyte	Alexis Cruz	Chloe Marks
Lay Reader	Charlie Schmidt	Angela Pringnitz
Radio Narrator	Sue Harms	---
Videographer/Sound	Doug Nelson	Doug Nelson
Slides	Kevin Harms	Nathan Allen
Ushers	Ken Boldt, Alexis Cruz & Hayden Harms	Jen Allen, Will Michels & Chloe Marks

THE WORSHIP SERVICE IS BROADCAST EACH SUNDAY AT 10:30 A.M. ON WLBK 1360.

Altar Flowers: "To the glory of God for blessing us with 51 years of Marriage," by Dennis & Jane Schroeder.

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