

Commemoration of St. Elizabeth of Hungary
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+ HOLY COMMUNION – SETTING ONE +

- ORGAN PRELUDE In Thee is Gladness arr. J.S. Bach
- GATHERING Pg. 94
- CATECHETIC MOMENT Ordination
- GATHERING HYMN In Thee is Gladness No. 867
- GREETING Pg. 98
- DIALOGUE OF THANKSGIVING
  - A Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
  - C **His mercy endures forever.**
  - A Open for me the gates of righteousness.
  - C **I will enter them and offer thanks to the Lord.**
  - A Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord.
  - C **Happy the people who are chosen as God's own.**
  - A I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, says the Lord.
  - C **And they shall fear no more nor be dismayed.**

A I will feed them with good pasture.

**C I will feed them in justice, says the Lord.**

A Alleluia! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart.

**C In the assembly of the upright, in the congregation, I will give thanks. Alleluia!**

### HYMN OF PRAISE

Now All the Vaults of Heaven Resound (selected verses) **No. 367**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

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P We pray. Almighty God, through your Son Jesus Christ, you gave the holy apostles many gifts and commanded them to feed your flock. Inspire all pastors to proclaim your Word diligently and your people to receive it willingly so that, finally, we may receive the crown of eternal glory through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

#### FIRST LESSON

#### **Daniel 12:1-3**

“At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

A The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

#### PSALM *Sung* **Psalm 16**

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;

I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my good above all other.”

All my delight is in the Godly that are in the land,  
upon those who are noble among the people.

But those who run after other gods  
shall have their troubles multiplied.

I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,

never take their names up- | on my lips.  
O LORD, you are my portion | and my cup;  
it is you who up- | hold my lot.  
My boundaries enclose a | pleasant land;  
indeed, I have a | rich inheritance.  
I will bless the LORD who | gives me counsel;  
my heart teaches me night | after night.  
I have set the LORD al- | ways before me;  
because God is at my right hand, I shall | not be shaken.  
My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spir- | it rejoices;  
my body also shall | rest in hope.  
For you will not abandon me | to the grave,  
nor let your holy one | see the pit.  
You will show me the | path of life;  
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand  
are pleasures for- | evermore.  
Glory be to the Father, and | to the Son,  
and to the | Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the begin-| ning, is now  
and will be forever. | Amen.

## **SECOND LESSON**      **Hebrews 10:11-25**

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

A The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *Please stand as you are able.* Pg. 102

**THE HOLY GOSPEL** **Mark 13:1-8** **C Glory to you, O Lord**

As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.”

P The gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

**SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** All My Hope on God is Founded **No. 757**

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** *Please stand as you are able.*

The response to “*Lord, in your mercy,*” is “**hear our prayer.**”

A With the people of God gathered here and throughout the world, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

*A brief silence.*

A Gracious God, you made the church through the workings of the Holy Spirit, and you provide the assurance of faith through your Son. Guide us in our proclamation of the gospel. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A We thank you for raising men and women of faith to preach your Word and administer your Sacraments. Especially we pray for Pastor Jim Rasmussen, whom we honour this day for his service and contributions to the Church. As we have come to know your goodness and love and been enriched in faith through him, grant that he and his family may live continually in your presence, be steadfast in faith, and know your love in such abundance as to continue to share it throughout their lives. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A You desire peace for the whole world. Provide refuge for those in harm's way, bring an end to war in Ukraine, and all countries experiencing the terror of war, and instill in political leaders the love for all that comes from you. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A You reveal your compassion through caregivers, advocates, and medical professionals. Heal the sick, deliver the suffering, bind up the brokenhearted, provide shelter for the homeless, and food for the hungry. We pray especially for: Anna Berwanger, Simret Bogale, Chrystine Cuch, Mariette Erasmus, Adeline Erick, Ruth Gummo, Dolores Hollowell, Donna Harbor, Genevieve Janssen, Julie Janssen Downe, Eleanora Lahoda, Fay Larsen, Amy Lynch, Jean McCowan, Mark Mutschlechner, Bruce and Judith Nagel, Jim and Joyce Rasmussen, David Sr. and Joan Richardson, Vern Schnell, Rose Sinclair, Sam Skogen, those we name aloud ... and those we carry in our hearts. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A For those who serve in the holy catholic Church:

- for the Synod of Alberta and the Territories. pastors, and Bishop Trish Schmermund
- for Southwestern Area Leadership Team, pastors, people and Dean, Rev. Dr. Tim Wray
- for our Synod Campus Ministries and especially for Rev. George Koopmans, Chaplain for Medicine Hat College
- for our pastor, Rev. Michael Wellman
- for the students, faculty, and staff of Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon

- for the Good Shepherd Community Facility and Programs, Bogota, Colombia, its leaders and staff
- for Bishop Sani Ibrahim Azar, pastors, and people of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land
- for the Calgary and Edmonton District Council of Churches, and all those who serve on these councils
- for the pastors and people of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Anglican, Mennonite, and Moravian Churches

For all these, Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A As we await the dawn of the new heaven and the new earth, we give thanks for your beloved who have died in Christ especially Elizabeth of Hungary, renewer of society. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A For all virtually gathered for this service, and those attending to the care of others and to beneficial endeavours that keep them away from worshipping, Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P Hear our prayers, spoken and silent, that we commend to you this day, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.

**C Amen.**

### THE PEACE

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P May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

**C And also with you.**

## THE APPRECIATION OF ORDINATION

**HYMN** "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" **No. 884**

*During the hymn, Pr Jim is brought to the chancel by those who will give the blessings.*

**P** We thank you for the ministry of Pastor Jim and his role as a conduit for the work of the Holy Spirit in the Church and the whole world.

**C Amen**

*Blessing by an Ordained Colleague (Pr. Mike Wellman):*

Jim:

- May the Lord God always be with you when you go out and when you come in.
- May the Lord fill your heart and mind with his love in Jesus Christ.
- May the Lord always inspire you to share that love with all those whose lives you touch.

**C Amen.**

*Blessing by the President of the Congregation (Cam Schneider):*

Pastor Jim:

- May the Lord God always be on your lips so that you may declare his saving word of grace and forgiveness to his people.
- We thank the Lord for your understanding of the Gospel, sincerity of purpose, diligence in ministry, and the beauty of life in Christ, that many people will be served and God's name be glorified.

**C Amen.**

*Blessing by a Female Member of the Congregation:*

Pastor Jim:

- May the Lord bless those whom you have blessed,
- guide those whom you have baptised,
- forgive those whom you proclaim forgiveness,
- strengthen those whom you have fed with Christ's body and blood,
- and bring to eternal life those whom you have commended to him.
- May the Lord prosper the work of your ministry for the salvation of souls and the increase of his kingdom.

**C Amen.**

*Blessing by a Male or Youth Member (tbd):*

Pastor Jim:

- May the Lord God be your rock and your refuge, that you may fear nothing except losing him and lay all your cares on him.
- May the Lord always hear your prayers, that you may be protected from faithless fears and worldly anxieties, and that you may always know and believe in his love for you.
- May the Lord bless, guide, forgive, and strengthen you so that you, too, might be brought to eternal life.

**C Amen**

*The Leader says the Closing Prayer:*

P We pray. We give you thanks, almighty and gracious God, for blessing us with the ministry and friendship of Pastor Jim. May he continue to exemplify the Gospel of your Son in word and deed. Grant that we, with him, may serve you now in the Church on earth and rejoice before your throne in heaven forever through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**



## OFFERING

**OFFERTORY** This Train is Bound for Glory by Allen/Geoffrey  
*Setting of the altar and reception of the Offerings.*  
*Please be seated.*

**OFFERING PRAYER** Holy God ... Pg. 107

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** Pg. 107

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (Version II) Pg. 112

**THE FRACTION**

**P** This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

**C** **Come, let us devote ourselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.**

**LAMB OF GOD** Pg. 112

## THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENT

*Please be seated. Assistants and those in need commune first.*

**COMMUNION HYMNS**

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies **No. 553**

Soon and Very Soon **No. 439**

**TABLE BLESSING** *Please stand as you are able.*

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

**A** We pray. We thank you, almighty and gracious God, for feeding us with the heavenly food of the body and blood of your Son and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit. As you raise up faithful servants for the ministry of your Word and Sacraments, grant that we, with Pastor Jim, may joyfully serve you all our days and finally rejoice in your glory through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen.

*Please be seated.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## THE SENDING FORTH OF THE COMMUNITY

**BENEDICTION** Pg. 114

*The Pastor being honoured, gives the closing Benediction:*

**P** The Lord...

**C** Amen.

**SENDING HYMN** Lead On, O King Eternal! **No. 805**

**DISMISSAL**

P Go in peace...

**C Thanks be to God!****ORGAN POSTLUDE** "Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel" arr. C. Inniss

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WELCOME to all gathered here today. Join us for refreshments and conversation downstairs after worship, Questions? Ask one of today's servants or speak with the pastor.

WE THANK TODAY'S SERVANTS

Usher: Gerry and Barb Patychuk
 Lector: Gerry Patychuk
 Assistant: Dave Wong
 Altar Guild: Helen Sandau
 Refreshments: Emily Farrer, Linda and Vern Schnell
 Zoom Host: Phil Tang, Ahmed Conteh

OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE

Last week	10 November	Budget 2024
Current	\$ 2,825	\$2,911
Benevolence	\$ 0	
Building Fund	\$ 0	
Other	\$ 1,801	
Attendance	45	

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Today	17 Nov	11:45 PM	Fellowship, Refreshments and Celebration for Pr. Jim
		2:00 PM	CFMA Worship
Monday	18 Nov	7:00 PM	Council Meeting
		7:00 PM	12 Step Program
Tuesday	19 Nov	6:30 PM	Never Alone Peer Support
Wednesday	20 Nov	9:30 AM	12 Step Program
		7:00 PM	12 Step Program
Friday	22 Nov	7:00 PM	12 Step Program
Saturday	23 Nov	9:00 AM	House of Hope Worship
Sunday	24 Nov	10:30 AM	Christ the King Holy Communion Service

HIGHWOOD HIGHLIGHTS– the November issue is available in the narthex.

COUNCIL MEETING – is Monday 18 November at 7:00 PM

HOTSHOTS – join us this Tuesday 19 November at 10:00 AM. Movie: “Home Alone 2” Lunch: pizza. Bring a friend and sign-up downstairs.

KNITTING CIRCLE (*Crocheting too*) meets Thursday, 29 November 2024 at 10:00 AM. Prayers shawls are needed for our members and Bethany Care. Bring your own project and visit with us.

LADIES’ ADVENT LUNCHEON – is Saturday, 30 November 2024 beginning at 12:00 PM. Invite your family and friends. Invitations are in your mailboxes and the sign-up sheet is downstairs.

MITTEN TREE – a reminder to all knitters, crocheters, and quilters: the tree will be going up for donations of scarves, toques, mittens.

DROP-IN CENTRE DONATIONS– the boxes for new warm socks for men and women are upstairs in the narthex.

ADVENT LESSONS AND HYMNS SERVICE – As we prepare for the Advent season, join us at Highwood on Sunday 1 December 2024 at 7:00 PM. Family and friends are welcome to attend.

FESTIVAL CHORUS CONCERT – “Now & Then” - *Beloved Seasonal Music Mixed with New Winter Favourites*. Saturday, 7 December 7:30 PM at Knox United Church (506 – 4 Street SW, Calgary).

ADOPT A FAMILY FOR CHRISTMAS – is sponsored by the Elders. Please talk to Walter Anderson for details.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS – Donations are gratefully accepted and can be added to your offering envelope.

NEXT WEEK’S READINGS	Christ the King
Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14	Psalm 93
Revelation 1:4b-8	John 18:33-37