

St. Paul Lutheran Church
ROOTED AND GROWING

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Blessings to you and we hope you join us again.

Tune: SLANE

Baptism of Jace Christopher Palmer and Gryffin Alexander Palmer

November 23, 2025 8:15 am
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WELCOME

PRELUDE

"Be Thou By Vision" Lancaster Brass Quintet

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We worship in the name in which we baptize, in the name of the Father, \pm the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

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

(Pause for reflection)

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

The Pastor declares the forgiveness of sin.

*GATHERING HYMN

#855 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

vs. 1, 3 - 5

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*CANTICLE OF PRAISE





*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and king forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

READING Colossians 1:11-20

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¹¹ May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³ He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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The gospel of our Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

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SERMON

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+ SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM FOR JACE CHRISTOPHER PALMER AND GRYFFIN ALEXANDER PALMER +

We are washed, forgiven, and claimed as God's children forever

INTRODUCTION

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. The power of sin is put to death in this holy flood, and we are raised with Jesus Christ to new life. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and sent out in mission for the world.

PRESENTATION

The presiding minister addresses parents, Danielle and Bryant Palmer: Trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your children, Jace Christopher Palmer and Gryffin Alexander Palmer baptized?

Response: We do.

As you present Jace and Gryffin for Holy Baptism, you are entrusted with gifts and responsibilities:

- -to bring them to services in God's house
- -to teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Apostles' Creed and the Ten Commandments
- -to provide them with the Holy Bible and instruction about it
- -to remind them of their Baptism and bring them to the Lord's Supper
- -to nurture them in faith, love and compassion

Do you promise to help Jace and Gryffin grow in the Christian faith and life?

Response: We do.

The presiding minister addresses the congregation:

People of God, do you promise to support Jace and Gryffin and to pray for their new life in Christ?

Response: We do.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

The presiding minister addresses the parents and sponsor:

P: I ask you to reject sin, profess your faith in Christ, and confess, together with your sisters and brothers, the faith of the Church.

Do you renounce the devil, and all the forces that defy God?

Response: I do renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Response: I do renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you away from God?

Response: I do renounce them.

The presiding minister addresses the congregation:

P: With the whole church in heaven and earth, let us confess our faith.

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

Response: I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

Response: 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.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

Response: 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.

THE BAPTISM

THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us give thanks and praise.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, holy God. You are the creator of the waters of the earth. You are the river of life. You led your people through the river Jordan and called them to life in covenant. Your Son was baptized in the river Jordan to begin his mission among us. Send your Holy Spirit into this water and into the baptized. Create us all anew that we may serve this needy world; for we trust in the name of Jesus, your Son, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

BAPTISM

Water is poured on the candidate's head, as the presiding minister says: Beloved child of God, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

SIGNING WITH THE CROSS

Child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **C: Amen.**

PRESENTATION OF A CANDLE

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. (Matthew 5:16)

WELCOME

Through baptism Jace and Gryffin have been received into the household of God, entrusted with the good news of Jesus Christ, and strengthened to serve by the Holy and life-giving Spirit.

The Congregation offers a word of welcome:

C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and as fellow disciples.

*PRAYER

*PEACE

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"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"



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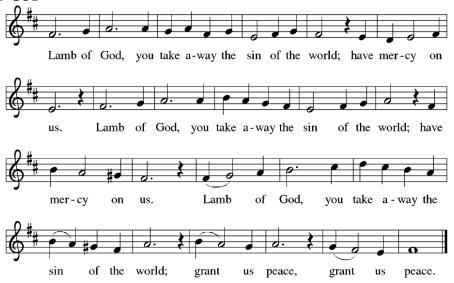
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For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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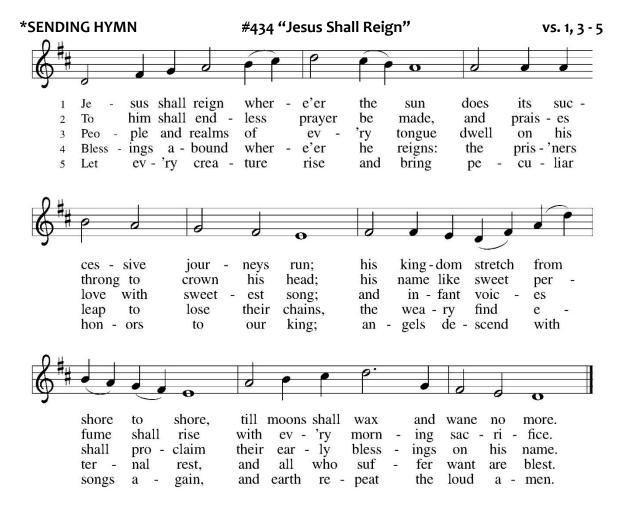
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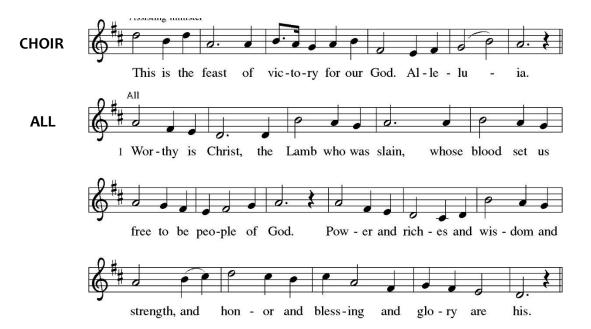
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*THE APOSTLES' CREED

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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 INTERCESSION

Each portion of the prayers concludes with these or similar words: ... Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer**.

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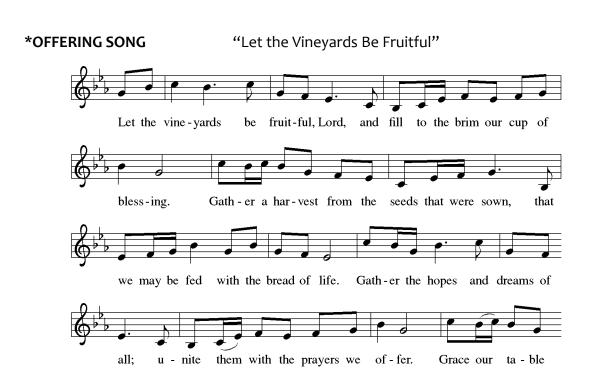


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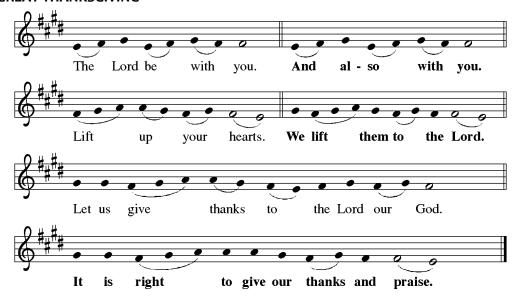
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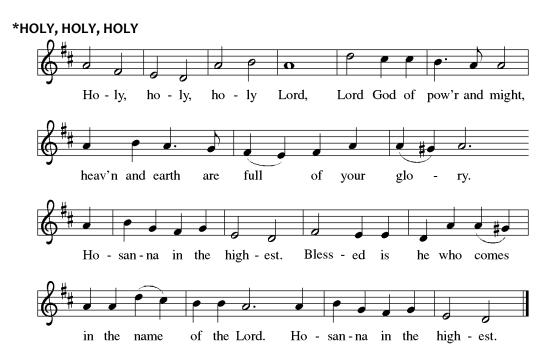
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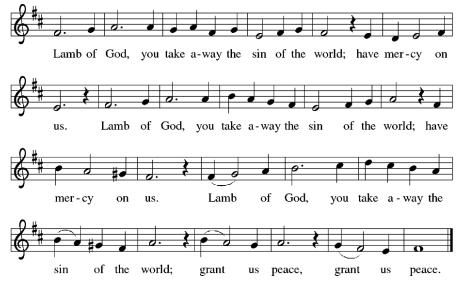
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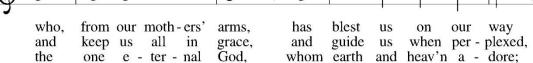
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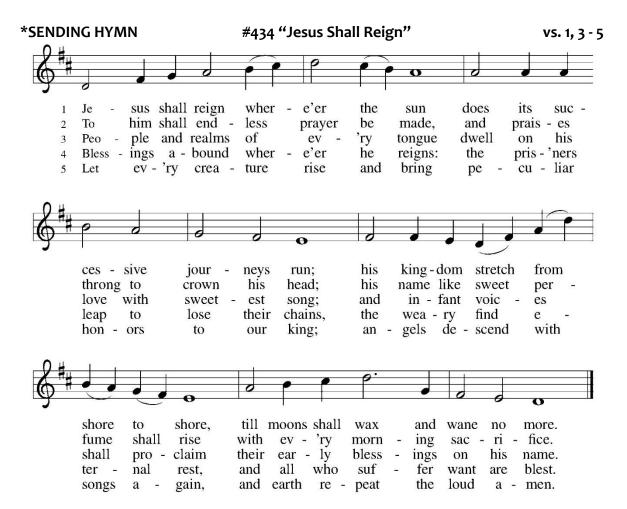
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