



Morning Prayer
October 26 – November 1
Matins

L: O Lord, open my lips,
C: and my mouth shall declare Your praise
C: Glory 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.
Alleluia, Alleluia.

L: Give glory to God, our light and our life.
C: Oh come, let us worship Him.
C: Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.
Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to Him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God, and a great king above all gods.
In His hand are the caverns of the earth,
the heights of the hills are also His,
The sea is His, for He made it,
and His hands have molded the dry land.
Oh, come, let us bow down and bend the knee,
and kneel before the Lord our maker.
For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture and the
sheep of His hand.
Glory 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.
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Psalms

Oct 26 Monday: 145

Loving Father, You are faithful in Your promises and tender in Your compassion. Listen to our hymn of joy, and continue to satisfy the needs of all Your creatures, that all flesh may bless Your name in Your everlasting kingdom, where with Your Son and the Holy Spirit You live and reign, now and forever. Amen.

Oct 27 Tuesday: 146

God of glory and power, happy indeed are those who have put their trust in You. Shine the brightness of Your light upon us, that we may love You always with a pure heart and praise You forever; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Oct 28 Wednesday: 147:1-12

God our Father, great builder of the heavenly Jerusalem, You know the number of the stars and call each of them by name. Heal hearts that are broken, gather those who have been scattered, and enrich us all from the plenitude of Your eternal wisdom, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Oct 29 Thursday: 147:13-21

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Oct 30 Friday: 148

God Most High, by Your Word You created a wondrous universe, and through Your Spirit You breathed into it the breath of life. Accept creation's hymn of praise from our lips, and let the praise that is sung in heaven resound in the heart of every creature on earth, to the glory of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Oct 31 Saturday: 149

Lord, let Israel rejoice in You and acknowledge You as creator and redeemer. In your loving kindness embrace us now, that we may proclaim the wonderful truths of salvation with Your saints in glory; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Nov 1 Sunday: 150

Lord God, unite our voices with the praise of all creation, that we may worthily magnify Your excellent greatness; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Lessons:

Oct 26 Monday

Hosea 6:7-7:7

Acts 22:30-23:11

Luke 6:39-49

Oct 27 Tuesday

Hosea 7:8-16

Acts 23:12-24

Luke 7:1-17

Oct 28 Wednesday **St Simon and St Jude, Apostles**

Isaiah 4:2-6

Ephesians 4:1-16

John 14:15-31

Oct 29 Thursday

Hosea 9:1-9

Acts 24:1-23

Luke 7:36-50

Oct 30 Friday

Hosea 9:10-17

Acts 24:24-25:12

Luke 8:1-15

Oct 31 Saturday **Reformation Day**

Isaiah 55:1-11

Revelation 14:6-7

Matthew 11:12-15

Nov 1 Sunday **Pentecost 22 / All Saints' Day**

Wisdom 5:1-5, 14-16

Hebrews 11:32-12:2

Revelation 21:1-4, 22-22:5

Then the righteous man will stand with great confidence in the presence of those who have afflicted him, and those who make light of his labors. When they see him, they will be shaken with dreadful fear, and they will be amazed at his unexpected salvation. They will speak to one another in repentance, and in anguish of spirit they will groan, and say, “This is the man whom we once held in derision and made a byword of reproach – we fools! We thought that his life was madness and that his end was without honor. Why has he been numbered among the sons of God? and why is his lot among the saints?

Because the hope of the ungodly man is like chaff carried by the wind, and like a light hoarfrost driven away by a storm; it is dispersed like smoke before the wind, and it passes like the remembrance of a guest who stays but a day.

But the righteous live forever and their reward is with the Lord; the Most High takes care of them. Therefore, they will receive a glorious crown and a beautiful diadem from the hand of the Lord because with His right hand He will cover them, and with His arm He will shield them.

L: In many and various ways God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.

C: But now in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son.

C: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel;
He has come to His people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty Savior,
born of the house of His servant David.

Through His holy prophets He promised of old that

He would save us from our enemies,
from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers
and to remember His holy covenant.

This was the oath He swore to our father Abraham:

to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
free to worship Him without fear,

holy and righteous in His sight all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,
for you will go before the Lord to prepare His way,

to give His people knowledge of salvation
by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God,
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of
death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.
Glory 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.

C: This is the day the Lord has made. Alleluia.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia.

Prayer of the day:

Oct 26 Monday

Lord our God, Father of all, You guard us under the shadow of Your wings and search into the depths of our hearts. Remove the blindness that cannot know You and relieve the fear that would hide us from Your sight. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Oct 27 Tuesday

Almighty and everlasting God, You are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we wither desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of Your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and meditations of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Oct 28 Wednesday **St Simon and St Jude, Apostles**

O God, we thank Thee for the glorious company of the apostles, and especially on this day for Simon and Jude; and we pray that, as they were faithful and zealous in their mission, so we may with ardent devotion make known the love and mercy of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Oct 29 Thursday

We thank Thee, O God, for Thy Holy Spirit, who incites us to true knowledge of Thee. We humbly entreat Thee for Thy Son's sake to illumine our hearts with Thy Holy Spirit that we may truly call upon

Thee, know Thee, sincerely believe in Thee, give thanks to Thee, and obey. Let not the light of Thy gospel be taken from us through deceitful illusions. Direct us in all our affairs with the voice of Thy counsel, for Thy Son has promised that Thou wouldst give Thy Holy Spirit to those who ask. Grant this, O God, for Thy holy name's sake. To Thee, with Thy Son, and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory forever. Amen. (Philip Melanchthon)

Oct 30 Friday

God, we thank Thee for this love-haunted world! Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy name give glory, for Thy mercy and for Thy truth's sake. Amen.

Oct 31 Saturday **Reformation Day**

Almighty God, Who, through the preaching of Thy servants, the blessed Reformers, hast caused the light of the Gospel to shine forth: Grant, we beseech Thee, that, knowing its saving power, we may faithfully guard and defend it against all enemies and joyfully proclaim it, to the salvation of souls and the glory of Thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Amen.

Nov 1 Sunday **Pentecost 22**

Almighty and ever-living God, strengthen our faith, hope and love. May we do with loving hearts what You ask of us and come to share the life You promise. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

L: O Lord, almighty and everlasting God, You have brought us in safety to this new day; preserve us with Your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome in adversity; in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of Your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

L: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
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.

L: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

L: The Lord almighty bless us, and direct our days and our deeds in his peace.

C: Amen.

Morning Prayer from LBW and *For All the Saints*

The most powerful force in the universe is prayer.

Joseph Sittler (1904-1987)

In the history of human reflection there is no more penetrating analysis of the interior dynamics of domination by the tyranny of the self, nor a profounder prolegomenon (introduction) to the specific place of grace in the intellectual life than in the meditations of St. Augustine. He affirms that man's knowledge is determined by man's love. We do not know truly because we do not love properly or amply. Right knowledge is a function of right love. And what is the actual history of man's love? Simply that he loves himself — passionately, toughly, fiercely, relentlessly. This passion is man's pathos, and there is no adequate liberation, no salvation for him so long as its way and power be not broken and changed. Unless and until the love with which I love finds its proper object in the love with which I am loved by God I am a prisoner of love too small for love's heavenly nature and scope. The gospel declares that this human fact has been met by a sufficient godly act. Its name is Jesus Christ" . . . who loved us and gave himself for us.

2020 Annual Mid-Northeast Mission District Convocation

"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"

Saturday, October 31, 2020

St. John's Lutheran Church
218 N. Jefferson Street
Kittanning, PA.

9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

8:00 a.m. - Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. - FESTIVAL EUCHARIST

This fantastic day will include:

Festival Eucharist

Keynote address on being "Steadfast at Home"

Elections – including Election of a Dean

Budget 2021

Luncheon Fellowship

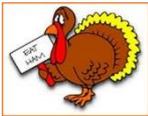
Stuff-the-Truck – NALC Disaster Preparedness/Response

Ministry Displays

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend!

Registration due Monday, Oct. 26 by noon to the mission district office.

COST: \$7.00 PER PERSON OR \$20.00 PER CONGREGATION



**Annual Thrivent "Turkey" Luncheon
Sunday, November 8, 2020**

Following worship, we will be serving ham at our annual turkey luncheon. A free-will offering will be taken and proceeds will go to the Armstrong County Community Action Agency to be used towards the purchase of Thanksgiving turkey dinners for the needy of our community. If you cannot come to the luncheon, but would like to participate by making a donation, please mark "Turkeys" on your envelope and place it in the offering plate. And because the **Thrivent Action Team** is sponsoring this dinner, every penny raised will go directly to the Community Action Agency Turkey Fund. Thank you for your support!