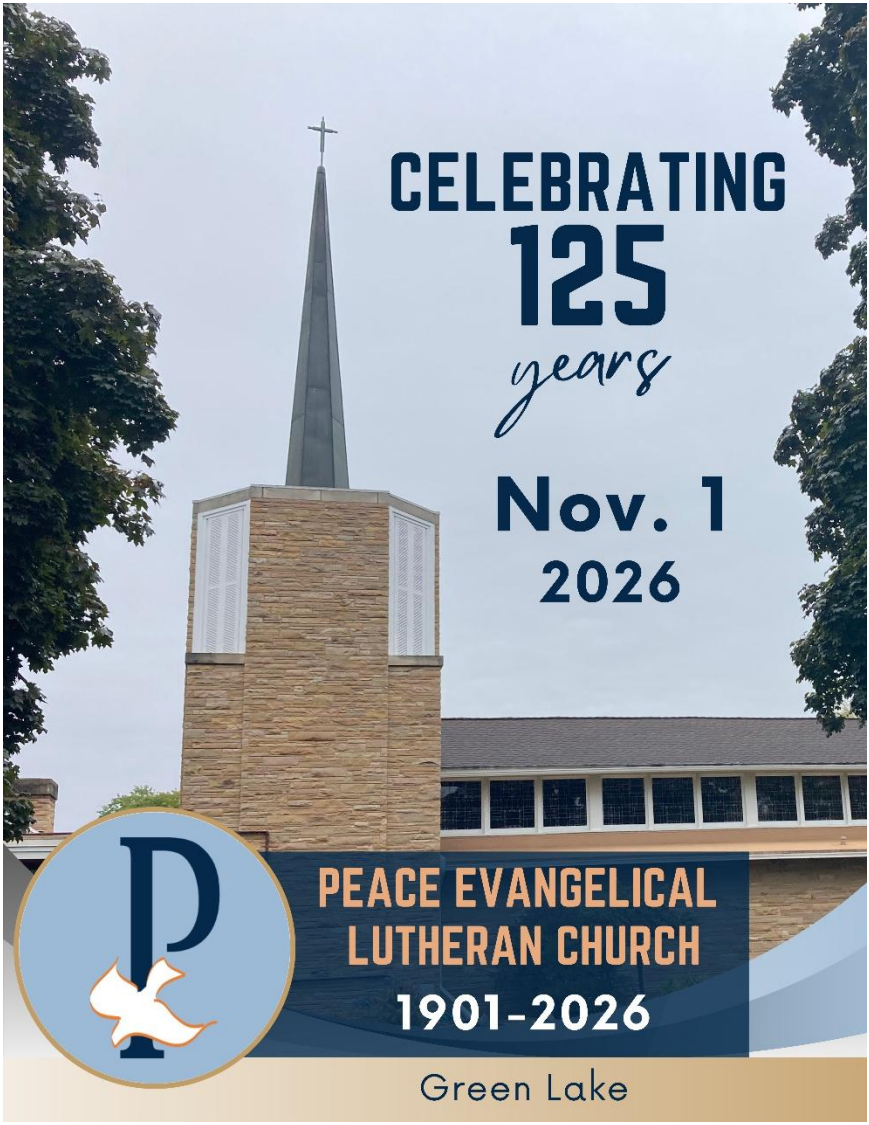

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Praise the Rock on Whom We Are Built

*Chime Choi*r - Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Jerusalem the Golden (Hymn 890 v. 1 & 4)

1 Jerusalem the golden, with milk and honey blest
the sight of it refreshes the weary and oppressed.
I know not, oh, I know not what joys await us there,
what radiancy of glory, what bliss beyond compare.

4 O sweet and blessed country, the home of God's elect!
O sweet and blessed country that eager hearts expect!
In mercy, Jesus, bring us to that dear land of rest;
you are with God the Father and Spirit ever blest.

Invocation

Please stand

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Congregation: Amen.

I rejoiced with those who said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."
One thing I ask of the Lord, this only do I seek:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord

and to seek him in his temple.

Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place?
The one who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who does not trust in an idol or swear by a false god.

The Lord looks down from heaven on all mankind to see
if there are any who understand, any who seek God.
All have turned aside, all have become corrupt;
there is no one who does good, not even one.
Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love;
according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.
Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.
For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.
Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.
I will exalt you, Lord, for you lifted me out of the depths;
Lord my God, I called to you for help, and you healed me.
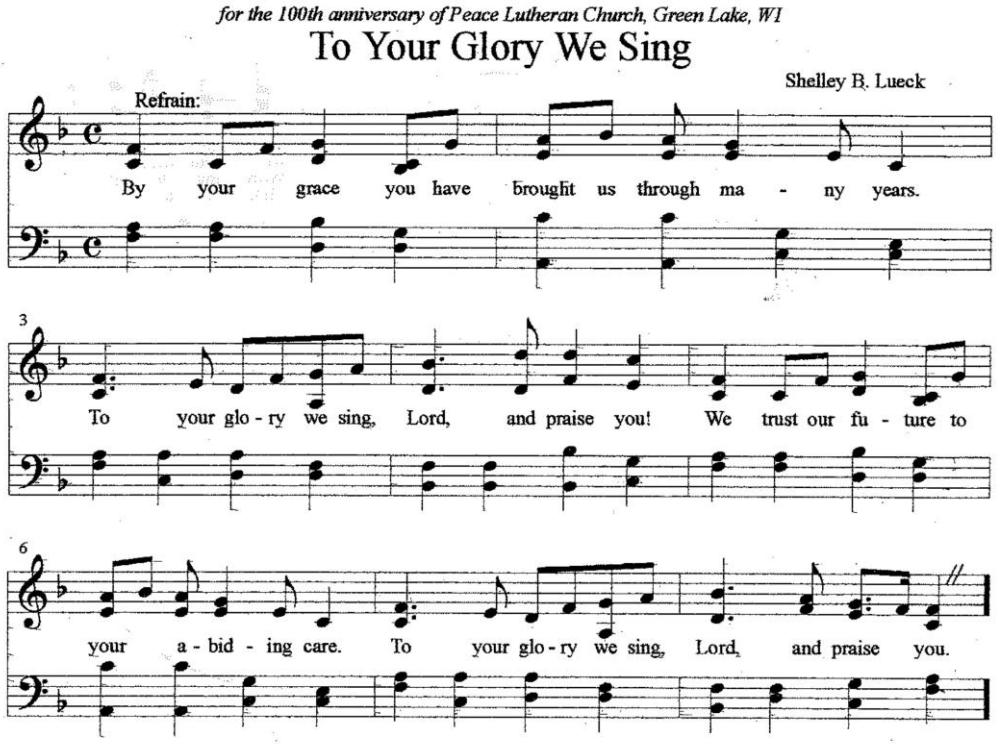
Sing the praises of the Lord, you his faithful people; praise his holy name.
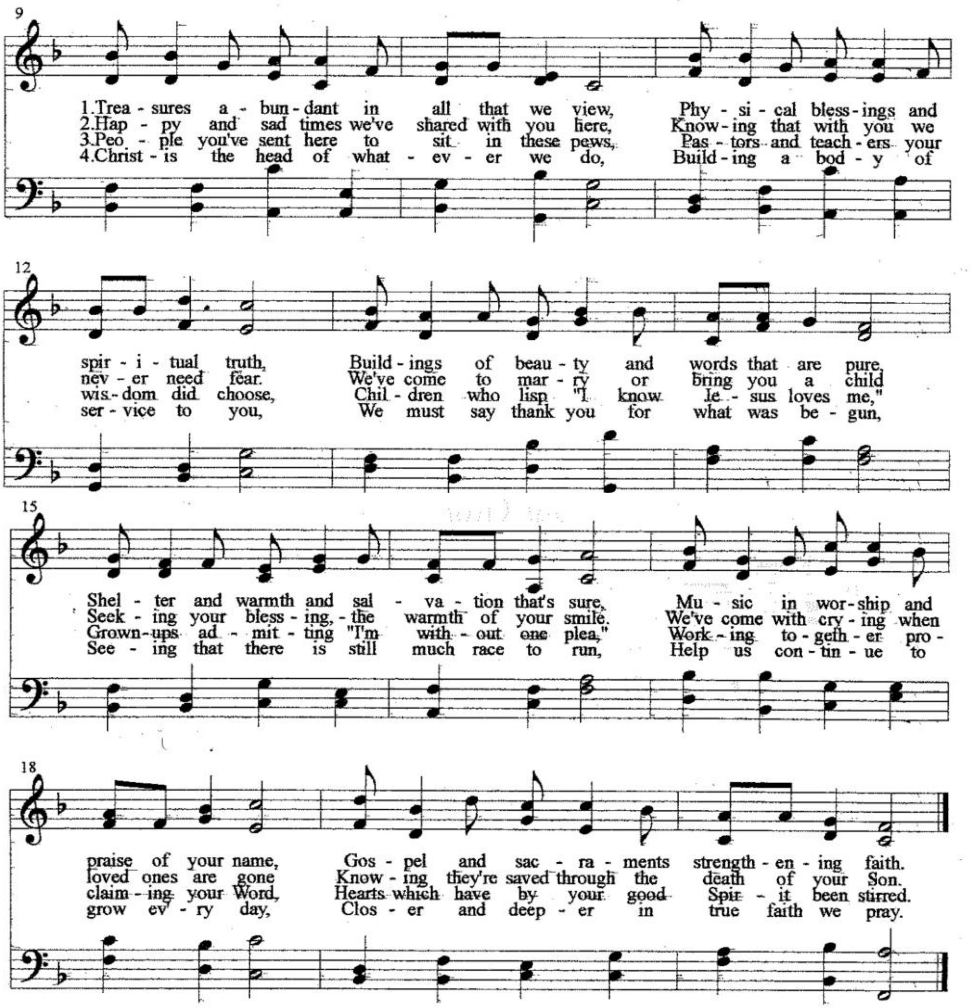
For his anger lasts only a moment, but his favor lasts a lifetime.

I will glory in the Lord; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together.

Anniversary Hymn





Be seated

Prayer of the Church

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, at this 125th anniversary we reflect on your past help and

are encouraged in our hope for the future. We praise you for keeping and sustaining your people throughout the ages and for preserving the preaching of your Word and the administration of your sacraments among us.
We praise you also for using us to bring to others the good news that sinners are reconciled to you through the life and death of Jesus Christ.

Now we ask you to give us courage and hope as we move day by day into the future. Keep safe all those who assemble here in your name. Do not permit the evil one to pluck us out of your mighty hand. Strengthen us in the confidence that you have already overcome our greatest enemies: sin, death, and the devil.
Increase our trust in your precious promise that you are with us always.

Cause your Holy Spirit to work mightily in us and through us, so that we may grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Be with us as we strive to pass down to our children the truths that have been passed down to us.
Continue to make our congregation a beacon of your light in this sin-darkened world.

Grant that this celebration of your gracious activity in years and ages past be only the prelude to that far greater celebration we will enjoy forever in the joy and glory of the world to come.

Still be our guard while troubles last and our eternal home. Amen.

Choir - Upon This Rock

Lessons & Praise

Deuteronomy 7:6-9 *God's People Have Always Been Built on His Promise*s

6 For you are a people holy to the Lord your God. The Lord
your God has chosen you out of all the peoples on the
face of the earth to be his people, his treasured
possession.
7 The Lord did not set his affection on you and choose you
because you were more numerous than other peoples, for
you were the fewest of all peoples. 8 But it was because
the Lord loved you and kept the oath he swore to your
ancestors that he brought you out with a mighty hand and
redeemed you from the land of slavery, from the power of
Pharaoh king of Egypt. 9 Know therefore that the Lord
your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping his
covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who
love him and keep his commandments.

On Eagle's Wings (setting from CW '93) *A Hymn of God's Care for His People of All Times*

1 You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
who abide in his shadow for life,
say to the Lord: "My refuge,
my rock in whom I trust!"

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand.

2 Snares of the fowler will never capture you,
and famine will bring you no fear;
under his wings your refuge,
his faithfulness your shield.
And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand.

3 For to his angels he's given a command
to guard you in all of your ways;
upon their hands they will bear you up,
lest you dash your foot against a stone.
And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand.

1 Kings 8:12-16 *God's People Built a Temple to Show God's Presence*

12 Then Solomon said, "The Lord has said that he would
dwell in a dark cloud; 13 I have indeed built a magnificent
temple for you, a place for you to dwell forever."
14 While the whole assembly of Israel was standing there,
the king turned around and blessed them. 15 Then he said:

“Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel, who with his own hand has fulfilled what he promised with his own mouth to my father David. For he said, [16] ‘Since the day I brought my people Israel out of Egypt, I have not chosen a city in any tribe of Israel to have a temple built so that my Name might be there, but I have chosen David to rule my people Israel.

The Lord’s My Shepherd I’ll Not Want (Hymn 555 v. 1 & 5) *Solomon’s Father David wrote of God’s Care for His People*

1 The Lord’s my shepherd, I’ll not want;
he makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.

5 Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me,
and in God’s house forevermore
my dwelling place shall be.

Psalm 107:1-3,8 *God’s People Respond in Ppraise*

[1] Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his love endures forever.
[2] Let the redeemed of the Lord tell their story—
those he redeemed from the hand of the foe,
[3] those he gathered from the lands,
from east and west, from north and south

Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love
and his wonderful deeds for mankind,

I Love To Tell the Story (Hymn 746, v. 1 & 3) *We Do Today What God's People Have Always Done. We Sing of God's Saving Work*

1 I love to tell the story
of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory,
of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story
because I know it's true;
it satisfies my longings
as nothing else can do.
Refrain:
I love to tell the story;
'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story
of Jesus and his love.

3 I love to tell the story,
for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting
to hear it like the rest.
And when in scenes of glory
I sing the new, new song,
'twill be the old, old story
that I have loved so long.
Refrain:

I love to tell the story;
'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story
of Jesus and his love.

Ezekiel 43:4-7 *The Restored Temple Signified God's Presence*

4 The glory of the Lord entered the temple through the
gate facing east. 5 Then the Spirit lifted me up and brought
me into the inner court, and the glory of the Lord filled
the temple.
6 While the man was standing beside me, I heard someone
speaking to me from inside the temple. 7 He said: "Son of
man, this is the place of my throne and the place for the
soles of my feet. This is where I will live among the
Israelites forever."

To God Be the Glory (Hymn 627 v. 1-2) *We will see God's glory because He sent His Son*

1 To God be the glory, great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.
Refrain:
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord,
Let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son

and give him the glory, great things he has done!

2 Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son,
but purer and higher and greater will be
our joy and our wonder, when Jesus we see.
Refrain:
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord,
Let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son
and give him the glory, great things he has done!

Matthew 7:24-27
24 "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine
and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built
his house on the rock. 25 The rain came down, the streams
rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet
it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.
26 But everyone who hears these words of mine and does
not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built
his house on sand. 27 The rain came down, the streams
rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and
it fell with a great crash."

Please stand

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less (Hymn 563 v. 1 & 4)
Peace is Built on Christ Our Rock

1 My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare to make no other claim,
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.
Refrain:
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

4 When he shall come with trumpet sound,
oh, may I then in him be found,
clothed in his righteousness alone,
faultless to stand before his throne.
Refrain:
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

Be seated

Choir - How Great Is Our God

1 Corinthians 3:10-17 *Preachers Throughout the Years Preach Christ, the Cornerstone*

By the grace God has given me, I laid a foundation as a wise builder, and someone else is building on it. But each one should build with care. [11] For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ. [12] If anyone builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, [13] their work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the

quality of each person's work. [14] If what has been built survives, the builder will receive a reward. [15] If it is burned up, the builder will suffer loss but yet will be saved—even though only as one escaping through the flames.
[16] Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in your midst?

Precious Lord, Take My Hand (Hymn 835) *Faithful Preachers Point to Christ to Lead Us Home*

1 Precious Lord, take my hand,
lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
Through the storm, through the night,
lead me on to the light.
Take my hand, precious Lord;
lead me home.

2 When my way grows drear,
precious Lord, linger near,
when my life is almost gone,
hear my cry, hear my call,
hold my hand lest I fall.
Take my hand, precious Lord;
lead me home.

3 When the darkness appears
and the night draws near
and the day is almost gone,
at the river I stand,

guide my feet, hold my hand.
Take my hand, precious Lord;
lead me home.

Offering

Offertory: **Chime Choir** - How Great Is Our God with How Great Thou Art

Ephesians 2:19-22 *You Are Built on Christ*

19 Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and
strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also
members of his household, 20 built on the foundation of
the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the
chief cornerstone. 21 In him the whole building is joined
together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord.
22 And in him you too are being built together to become a
dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

What a Friend We Have in Jesus (Hymn 721 v. 1) *You Are Not Strangers but Friends with God*

1 What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
ev'rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit,
oh, what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
ev'rything to God in prayer!

1 Peter 2:4-7 *You Are the New Testament Temple*

4 As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by
humans but chosen by God and precious to him— 5 you
also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual
house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices
acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. 6 For in Scripture
it says:
"See, I lay a stone in Zion,
a chosen and precious cornerstone,
and the one who trusts in him
will never be put to shame."
7 Now to you who believe, this stone is precious.

I Am Jesus Little Lamb (Hymn 804) *We Remain in Jesus' Care as He Builds Us Up Daily*

1 I am Jesus' little lamb;
ever glad at heart I am,
for my Shepherd gently guides me,
knows my need and well provides me,
loves me ev'ry day the same,
even calls me by my name.

2 Day by day, at home, away,
Jesus is my staff and stay.
When I hunger, Jesus feeds me,
into pleasant pastures leads me;
when I thirst, he bids me go
where the quiet waters flow.

3 Who so happy as I am,
even now the Shepherd's lamb?
And when my short life is ended,
by his angel host attended,
he shall fold me to his breast,
there within his arms to rest.

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Be Still, My Soul (Hymn 847 v. 1 & 4)

1 Be still, my soul; the Lord is on your side;
bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
leave to your God to order and provide;
in ev'ry change he faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul; your best, your heav'nly friend
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

4 Be still, my soul; the hour is hast'ning on
when we shall be forever with the Lord,
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,

sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still my soul; when change and tears are past,
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

Please stand

Blessing

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (Hymn 606 v.1)
1 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus, out of ev'ry nation
has redeemed us by his blood."

THANK YOU for joining us to celebrate this anniversary! Please enjoy refreshments and fellowship in the parish hall.

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