

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF GENEVA

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



ENGLISH-SPEAKING CONGREGATION

WORSHIP SERVICE AT 11H00

18 OCTOBER 2026

THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING CONGREGATION OF THE ELCG WELCOMES YOU!

*We are a church with open arms,
where each person is welcome in God's all-inclusive love.
Jesus shared God's gracious love with all people, and we seek to follow this
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We are glad you are here—welcome!

Thank you to those sharing in worship leadership this morning:

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Reader: Faith Fookes

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Assisting ministers: Jonathan Frerichs, Nyambura Njoroge,

Monika Sandvik, Maarten Wilbers

Ushers: Queen King'ori, Nashipai Naing'ola

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Ecumenical Prayer Cycle:
Belize, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico

Welcome

Prelude

Regine Kummer

Greeting (*rise*)

All people bear the image of God.

The imprint of love is on all God's children.

We are not left all on our own,

but embraced with God's family.

With each breath,

the Spirit transfers to us the energy we need.

With every wondering sigh,

the presence of Christ whispers its grace with love too deep for words.

Hymn

O Lord of every shining constellation

During the hymn, the children may go to church school.

Afred F. Bayly: England

V. Earle Copes: USA



1. O Lord of ev - ery shin - ing con - stel - la - tion
2. You, Lord, have made the at - om's hid - den forc - es,
3. O Life, a - wak - ing life in cell and tis - sue,
4. You, Lord, have stamped your im - age on your crea - tures,



that wheels in splen - dor through the mid - night sky,
your laws its might - y en - er - gies ful - fill;
from flow'r to bird, from beast to hu - man brain;
and though they mar that im - age, love them still;



grant us your Spir - it's true il - lu - mi - na - tion
teach us, to whom you give such rich re - sourc - es,
help us to trace, from birth to fin - al is - sue,
lift up our eyes to Christ, that in his fea - tures



to read the se - crets of your work on high.
in all we use, to serve your ho - ly will.
the sure un - fold - ing of your pur - pose plain.
we may dis - cern the beau - ty of your will.

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Call to Prayer (*sit*)

Prayer of Confession

God of life,
our world is replete with false idols,
as if gold were the god we should serve,
and self-interest the value that matters most.

***When we confuse the dim flashlights that promise fortune for your light,
re-sight us.***

***When we follow the guidance that disguises greed
rather than the illumination by which your word comes alive,
change the direction to which we look.***

Betty Hernández Carillo and Maritza Dixon: Mexico/Panama

$\text{♩} = 46$ Dm

O - ye, Se - ñor, tu pue - blo te cla - ma. O - ye, Se -
Hear us, O Lord, your peo - ple cry to you. Hear us, O

Dm C A7 Dm

ñor, tu pue - blo te cla - ma. Dá - nos tu for - ta - le - za ya
Lord, your peo - ple cry to you. Give us your stead - fast cour - age to

A7 Dm A7 Dm A7 Dm

vi - va nues - tra fé. O - ye, Se - ñor! O - ye, Se - ñor!
live out our faith with strength. Hear us, O Lord. Hear us, O Lord.

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God of justice,
we are tired of the vulgar violence and pompous power
that tramples those who resist
and threatens those who do not succumb.
The songs celebrating your sovereign glory
can easily dry up in timid throats
or be replaced with idolatrous chants
parading honor where it does not belong.
*Forgive us when we lose our way
and participate in the patterns of oppression and death.
Strengthen our voices to bless your name,
to proclaim your righteousness and truth,
to delight in the beauty of your holiness.*

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God of hope,
your imprint on our lives often seems so faint
no one would guess we were yours.

*Dare us into a strong love
in which our fears are few
and Christ Jesus is both the image to which we aspire
and the mercy by which we are made new
as chosen witnesses of his good news.*

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Words of Grace

Hymn of Praise (*rise*)

Pues si vivimos

Mexico

Pues si vi - vi - mos, pa - ra Dios vi - vi - mos
 1. In all our liv - ing we be - long to God;
 2. 'Mid times of sor - row and in times of pain,
 3. A - cross this wide world, we shall al - ways find

y si mo - ri - mos, pa - ra Dios mo - ri - mos.
 and in our dy - ing, we are still with God;
 when sens - ing beau - ty or in love's em - brace,
 those who are cry - ing with no peace of mind;

Se - a que vi - va - mos o que mu - ra - mos,
 So, wheth - er liv - ing, or wheth - er dy - ing,
 wheth - er we suf - fer, or sing re - joic - ing,
 and when we help them, or when we feed them,

so - mos del buen Dios, so - mos del buen Dios.
 we be - long to God; we be - long to God.
 we be - long to God, we be - long to God.
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Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Epistle Reading

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord

Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead--Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 96

L: Sing

1: *Sing*

2: *Sing to the Lord*

3: *Sing to the Lord a new song;*

L: Sing

1: *Sing*

2: *Sing to the Lord*

3: *Sing to the Lord all the earth.*

L: Sing

1: *Sing*

2: *Sing to the Lord*

3: *bless the name of the LORD;*

All: proclaim God's salvation from day to day.

L: Declare

1: *Declare*

2: *Declare God's glory*

3: *Declare God's glory among the nations,*

All: and God's wonders among all the peoples.

L: For great is the LORD,
 1: *and greatly to be praised;*
 2: *more to be feared than all gods.*
 3: *than all gods.*

L: As for all the gods of the nations they are but idols,
 but you, O LORD have made the heavens.

1: *Majesty*
 2: *and magnificence*
 3: *are in your presence;*
 1: *power*
 2: *and splendor*
 3: *are in your sanctuary.*

1: *Majesty*
 1 and 2: *Majesty*
 1 and 2 and 3: *Majesty*

1: *Magnificence*
 1 and 2: *Magnificence*
 1 and 2 and 3: *Magnificence*

1: *Power*
 1 and 2: *Power*
 1 and 2 and 3: *Power*

1: *Splendor*
 1 and 2: *Splendor*
 1 and 2 and 3: *Splendor*

L: Sing
 1: *Sing*
 2: *Sing to the Lord*
 3: *Sing to the Lord a new song.*

Sung Response

Cantemos al Señor

Verse 1

Carlos Rosas: Mexico

Dm A7/C#

Can - te - mos al Se - ñor un him - no de a - le - gri - a,
 Can - te - mos al Se - ñor un him - no de a - la - ban - za
 1. Oh, sing to God a - bove a hymn of joy - ful greet - ing,
 2. Oh sing to God a - bove a hymn of praise and bless - ing,

A⁷/E A⁷/C[#] Dm

un cán - ti - co de a - mor al na - cer el nue - vo dí - a.
 que ex - pre - se nues - tro a - mor, nues - tra fe, nues - tra es - pe - ran - za.
 a song of grate - ful love in the new day's light re - peat - ing:
 a song of grate - ful love hope and faith our hearts ex - press - ing.

A⁷

El hi - zo el cie - lo, el mar, el sol y las es - tre - llas,
 En to - da la crea - ción a - bun - da su gran - de - za;
 you made the sea and sky, the sun and stars in splen - dor;
 Cre - a - tion lifts its voice to tell your might and glo - ry,

A⁷/E A⁷/C[#] Dm

y en e - llos vio bon - dad, pues sus o - bras e - ran be - llas.
 a - sí nues - tro can - tar va a - nun - cian - do su be - lle - za.
 de - light shone in your eye - all your works were filled with won - der.
 and we, too, will re - joice to pro - claim the sav - ing sto - ry.

C B^b A⁷

¡A - le - lu - ya!
 Al - le - lu - ia,
 ¡A - le - lu - ya!
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Gm Dm/A A⁷ Dm

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L: Ascribe to the LORD,

1: Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples,

2: *ascribe to the LORD honor and power.*

3: Ascribe to the LORD the honor due the holy name;

L: bring offerings, and enter the courts of the LORD.

Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness;

tremble before the LORD, all the earth.

L: Tell

1: *Tell it*

2: *Tell it out*

3: *Tell it out among the nations,*

All: "The LORD is Sovereign!"

L: The one who made the world so firm it cannot be moved
will judge the peoples with equity."

Let the heavens rejoice,

All: rejoice

L: and let the earth be glad;

All: glad,

L: let the sea thunder,

All: thunder

L: and all that is in it;

All: thunder

L: let the field be joyful,

All: joyful

and all that is therein.

All: joyful

L: Then shall all the trees

1: *Then shall all the trees of the wood*

2: *Then shall all the trees of the wood shout*

3: *Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy*

L: at your coming, O LORD,

for you come to judge the earth.

You will judge the world with righteousness,

and the peoples with your truth.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Sung Response (*rise*)

Cantemos al Señor

Verse 2

Carlos Rosas: Mexico

Dm A7/C#

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Gospel

Matthew 22:15-22

The gospel according to Matthew, chapter 22.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not

regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?’ But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, ‘Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.’ And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, ‘Whose head is this, and whose title?’ They answered, ‘The emperor’s.’ Then he said to them, ‘Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.’ When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Alleluia (*rise*)

The musical score is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp). It consists of two lines of music. The first line has four measures with lyrics underneath. The second line has four measures with lyrics underneath. Chord symbols are placed above the staff: C, Bb, A7, Gm, Dm/A, A7, and Dm.

¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - le - lu - ya!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Can - te - mos al Se - ñor. ¡A - le - lu - ya!
Oh, sing to God a - bove: al - le - lu - ia!

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Sermon (*sit*)

Andy Willis

1. We are not our own, earth forms us,
 2. We are not a - lone. Earth names us;
 3. Through a hu - man life God finds us;
 4. There - fore let us make thanks - giv - ing,
 5. And if love's en - coun - ters lead us
 6. Let us be a house of wel - come,

hu - man leaves on na - ture's grow - ing vine,
 past and pres - ent, peo - ples near and far,
 dy - ing, liv - ing, love is ful - ly known,
 and with jus - tice, will - ing and a - ware,
 on a way un - cer - tain and un - known,
 liv - ing stone up - hold - ing liv - ing stone,

fruit of man - y gen - er - a - tions, seeds of life di - vine.
 fam - i - ly and friends and strang - ers show us who we are.
 and in bread and wine re - minds us: we are not our own.
 give to earth, and all things liv - ing lit - ur - gies of care.
 all the saints with prayer sur - round us: we are not a - lone.
 glad - ly show - ing all our neigh - bors we are not our own!

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The Apostles' Creed

A-1

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.*

*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.*

*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 (*sit*)

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

*1. Colorful Creator, God of mystery,
thank you for the artist teaching us to see
glimpses of the meaning of the commonplace
visions of the holy in each human face.*

*2. Harmony of ages, God of listening ear,
thank you for composers tuning us to hear
echoes of the gospel in the songs we sing,
sounds of love and longing from the deepest spring.*

*3. Author of our journey, God of near and far,
praise for tale and drama telling who we are,
stripping to the essence struggles of our day,
times of change and conflict when we choose our way.*

*4. God of truth and beauty, Poet of the Word,
may we be creators by the Spirit stirred,
open to your presence in our joy and strife,
vessels of the holy coursing through our life.*

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Gra - cias, mu - chas gra - cias, siem - pre gra - cias mi Se - ñor.
Thank you, al - ways thank you, thanks we bring to you, our God.



Gra - cias, mu - chas gra - cias, siem - pre gra - cias mi Se - ñor.
Thank you, al - ways thank you, thanks we bring to you, our God.



1. With all our laugh - ter and all of our song
2. For - est and riv - er, tall moun - tain and sea,



with all our strug - gle and sor - row
cit - y with nois - y throngs teem - ing,



our - selves we of - fer. To you we be - long.
land bear - ing fruit for a bright ju - bi - lee,



Your word brings hope for the mor - row.
danc - ing and draw - ing the dream - ing:



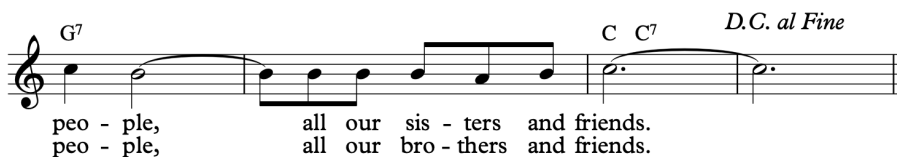
Long - ing for life which comes on - ly from you,
all that we are is sur - ren - dered to you,



we wait the strength for to - mor - row.
car - ried in your hands, re - deem - ing,



Tak - ing what we give, you make some - thing new for all
chang - ing what we give to make some - thing new for all



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1. Nosotros nos ofrecemos a ti
 con nuestras penas y luchas;
 con nuestro canto y nuestro reír;
 todo está en la mano tuya;
 Esta Asamblea que quiere vivir
 cuando tu palabra escucha
 y estas hermanas que quieren construir
 algo nuevo, en la Comunidad.

2. Nosotros nos ofrecemos a ti
 dandote lo que tenemos;
 bosques y ríos, montañas y mar,
 danzas, poemas y sueños.
 Nuestras ciudades con su cruel rugir,
 nuestra tierra con sus dones
 y estos hermanos que quieren construir
 algo nuevo, en la Comunidad.

Great Thanksgiving

Sursum corda

<i>Pastor</i> The Lord be with you.	<i>People</i> <i>And</i> al - so with you.
<i>Pastor</i> Lift up your hearts.	<i>People</i> <i>We lift them to the Lord.</i>
<i>Pastor</i>	<i>People</i>

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

Preface

Sanctus

Santo, santo, santo, santo

E-3

Muy movido

Misa Popular Salvadoreña: El Salvador

Introducción y Final



La, la, la etc.



Refrain



San - to, san - to, san - to, san - to, san - to,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,



san - to es nues - tro Dios, Se - ñor de to - da la tie - rra, san - to,
ho - ly is our God, God the Lord of earth and hea - ven, ho - ly



san - to es nues - tro Dios. San - to, san - to, san - to, san - to, san - to,
ho - ly is our God. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,



san - to es nues - tro Dios, Se - ñor de to - da la his - to - ria san - to
ho - ly is our God, God the Lord of all of his - tory, ho - ly,

Second time to Final

Vérse



san - to es nues - tro Dios. Que a - com - pa - ña a nues - tro pue - blo, que
ho - ly is our God. Who ac - com - pa - nies our peo - ple, who



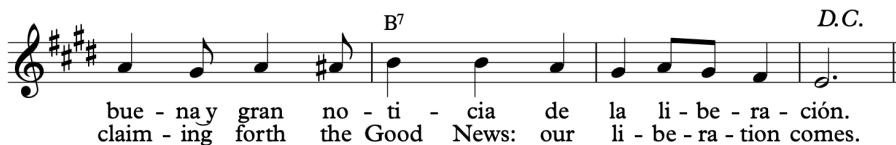
vi - ve en nues - tras lu - chas, del u - ni - ver - so en - te - ro el
lives with - in our strug - gles, of all the earth and hea - ven the



ú - ni - co Se - ñor. Ben - di - tos los que en su
one and on - ly Lord. Bless - ed those who in the



nom - bre el E - van - ge - lio a - nun - cian, la
Lord's name an - nounce the ho - ly Gos - pel, pro -



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Eucharistic Prayer

Words of Institution

Remembering

. . . We proclaim the mystery of our faith.
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Lord's Prayer *in our many languages*

A-3

*Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins
 as we forgive those who sin against us.
 Save us from the time of trial
 and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen.*

Misa popular nicaragüense

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Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe - ca - do del
O Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

mun - do; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros, ten pie - dad de no -
world: have mer - cy up - on us, have mer - cy up -

so - tros. 1. Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que
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qui - tas el pe - ca - do del mun - do;
take a - way the sin of the world:

da - nos tu paz, da - nos tu paz.
grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

Invitation to Communion

All are welcome for communion. Come and take any empty space around the altar.

You will receive the bread. Then choose a cup: a dark cup for wine, a lighter cup for grape juice. Place the used cup on the next tray.

Songs during Communion

Sing, sing the song of life

Per Harling: Sweden

♩ = 106

Em Em/D Am/C Em/B Am Em B B⁷ B⁷/D[#] Em

1. When the seed of hope is grow - ing, sing, sing, the song of life.
 2. When the word of truth is spo - ken,
 3. When the light shines in the dark - ness,
 4. When the hurt - ing find com - pas - sion,
 5. In - to hate and in - to dy - ing,

G G/F[#] C/E D D/C Am D⁷ G Em D⁷ D/F[#] G

When the Spir - it wind is blow - ing, sing, sing, the song of life.
 When the bread of life is bro - ken,
 When the heart grows in the heart - less,
 When the heart may make con - fes - sion,
 In - to suf - fer - ing and cry - ing,

Em B⁷ Em B⁷ Am D⁷ G D⁷ G B⁷

When the air and sea get clean when the drought of land turns green,
 When the good - ness is re - vealed, when the cov - e - nant is sealed,
 When I see the you in me, when the I be - comes a we,
 When the lost is found and prized, when our dreams are re - al - ized,
 In - to mis - trust, doubt, de - spair, breathe God's heal - ing love and care.

Em Em/D Am/C Em/B Am Em B B⁷ B⁷/D[#] Em

when the weak are loved and seen, sing, sing the song of life.
 when the bro - ken life is healed,
 when cre - a - tion is set free,
 when God's will is vis - ual - ized,
 Grace is giv - en grace to share,

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Somos pueblo que camina

English Carolyn Jennings

Misa Popular Nicaragüense



1. So - mos pue - blo que ca - mi - na por la sen - da del do - lor.

1. We are peo - ple on a jour - ney; pain is with us all the way.

2. God has sent the in - vi - ta - tion to the hum - ble and the poor.

3. This is bread that God pro - vides us, nour - ish - ing our u - ni - ty.

4. Christ is ev - er pres - ent with us to u - nite us all in love.

5. All who tru - ly thirst for jus - tice seek their lib - er - a - tion here.



a - cu - da - mos ju - bi - lo - sos a la san - ta co - mu - ni - ón.

Joy - ful - ly we come to - geth - er at the ho - ly feast of God.

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May we see Christ's loving face

Trisha Watts: Australia



May we see Christ's lov - ing face.



May we be an i - con of his grace.

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De colores

Mexican folk song

1. De co - lo - res, de co - lo - res se vis - ten los
 1. Sing, of col - ors, sing of col - ors that o - ver the
 2. Sing, re - joic - ing! Ev - ery crea - ture that breathes raise a

cam - pos en la pri - ma - ve - ra. De co - lo - res, de co -
 hills in pro - fu - sion are spring - ing; Sing of col - ors of the
 song to the God of cre - a - tion. Sing, re - joic - ing! Sing to

lo - res son los pa - ja - ri - tos que vie - nen de a - fue - ra.
 birds that fly out - side my win - dow their can - ti - cles sing - ing;
 God who so ear - nest - ly cares, who has of - fered sal - va - tion.

De co - lo - res, de co - lo - res es el ar - co
 sing of col - ors, in the rain - bow's bright col - ors God's
 Sing the good news! Sing the love of the Sav - ior re -

i - ris que ve - mos sa - lir, y por e - so los gran - des a -
 prom - ise of hope we re call; sing of col - ors that make up the
 flect - ing the col - ors of all, man - y col - ors that shine from God's

mo - res de mu - chos co - lo - res me gus - tan a
 earth and give thanks to the God who cre - at - ed us
 face, man - y col - ors that tell us God's love to re -

mí, y por e - so los gran - des a -
 all. Sing of col - ors that make up the
 call, man - y col - ors that shine from God's

mor - res de mu - chos co - lo - res me gus - tan a mí.
 earth and give thanks to the God who cre - at - ed us all.
 face, man - y col - ors that tell us God's love to re - call.

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Sending forth (*rise*)

Benediction

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*As you leave, please return songbooks to the cart in the entryway
or hand them to an usher.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday 1 November – Ecumenical Worship Service at

Cathédrale St-Pierre, 10h00

On Sunday 1 November at 10h00, the English-Speaking and German-Speaking congregations are participating in an ecumenical worship service at the Cathédrale St-Pierre marking Reformation Day. The service will be multilingual, joyful, and filled with music from the various communities participating. The post-worship reception will be held at our church, and we'll be looking for help welcoming guests and serving food and drinks—please consider lending a hand that day. A signup form will be shared soon.

Please note: there will be no worship service at the Lutheran Church on this day.

Women's Circle

Ladies, come and join our Women's Circle! We gather in our church, our village, on one Saturday each month from 10am to 12pm for coffee and croissants and for fellowship and fun. All women church members and regular attendees are welcome. Dates for the coming months: **21 November, Friday 4 December (Christmas dinner 18h-22h)**. Please contact, Cynthia Wilbers-Muturi, Margaret Kehoe-Winkler, Kim Avafia, or the office for more information.

Church School Now In Session!

We meet each Sunday during the school year (except on the first of each month, when worship is in the evening, and during school vacations). There are two classes—one for ages 3-8, and one for 9 through confirmation age—both meeting in the top floor classrooms. Children begin the worship service with their families and return to the sanctuary in time for Communion.

Swap at the ELCG – Saturday 7 November

Some members of the congregation are organizing a swap next month focused on kids' items. The idea is simple—passing along things you no longer need and finding items you can use. Here's how you can participate:

Make a donation: gently-used baby, toddler, and children's toys, books, and gear are all welcome. You can also donate maternity clothing. Donations will be accepted at the church at the following times:

- Thursday, 5 November from 12h00 to 18h30
- Friday, 6 November from 10h00 to 14h00
- Saturday, 7 November from 9h00 to 11h00

Come to the swap: The swap will take place at the Lutheran Church on Saturday 7 November, from 12h00 to 15h00. Make a minimum donation of Chf 5 at the door to benefit the ministry of the English-Speaking Congregation and take what you need. You do not need to donate items in order to come.

Lend a hand: If you can help with sorting donations or volunteering on the day of the event in some way, please contact the church office.

Choir Practice - Thursday Evenings

The choir of the English-Speaking Congregation is open to anyone—we meet on Thursday evenings from 19h30 until 21h00 to learn the music for the upcoming Sunday worship service and work on additional pieces. Contact Katharina Mainberger-Dellweg with any questions. Come and sing!

Please note – There is no rehearsal on 22 October due to the school holidays.

Young Adults' Group

If you're 18-30, you have a place here! Join our young adults group to grow in faith, build friendships, and walk with Christ. We'll be meeting up one Friday and one Saturday per month at church (top floor). To get connected, please text or approach Naomi (+41762146607), Olivia (+41764493137), or Ano (+41795502633).

Serving Weekly Coffee Hour

Our congregation holds a simple coffee hour after worship each Sunday. Preparation for coffee hour is by neighborhood groups:

25 October – Group B

1 November – Group C

8 November – Group D

15 November – Group E

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Medal of c. 280 AD depicting Probus and Sol Invictus. The inscription reads: "Emperor Caesar Probus, Unconquered, Pious, Blessed." From the collections of the National Museum of Denmark.
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Upcoming Events:

Sun, 25 Oct	9h45	Confirmation class
	11h00	Worship and church school
<i>Office hours: Tuesday 9h30-17h30, Thursday 9h30-17h30, Friday 9h30-13h30</i>		

Our church is entirely self-supporting. Our ministry is entirely funded by the contributions of members and friends of the congregation. Thank you for your support! There are four ways you can donate today:

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- By cash:** Place your contribution in the offering bags during worship.
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If you are a guest in our congregation today, *please fill out the connection card below—you can place it in the offering bag or hand it to the pastor or one of the ushers. We’d love to be in touch and answer any questions you might have about the church.*

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