

Olivet Lutheran Church

5840 Monroe Street ✠ Sylvania, Ohio 43560

November 2, 2025 ✠ 9 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

GREETING AND SHARING THE PEACE

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be
with you all. **And also with you.**

KIDS OF THE KIN(G)DOM

*Border Immersion Commissioning
Jordan & Raiden Browning*

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

This Is the Feast

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Bob Mens

Let us pray. Powerful God, although you can make your presence known in a mighty wind, or an earthquake, or a fire, you often speak to us in the sound of sheer silence. Help us to hear. **Amen.**

WORD

ANTHEM

Unto God
Joel Raney

Olivet Choir

REMEMBRANCE OF SAINTS

We pause to name saints whose baptisms have been completed in death since last All Saints Day. As each name is spoken, we light a candle to remember the light of Christ that shone in them. A bell tolls. Silence follows. We light a final candle for others in our lives we wish to remember.

Jack Ware
Larry Morrison
JoAnn Dixon
Shirley Breitzman
Don Loose
Howard Kolbe

Sandra Belinske
Rachel Sendi
Jim Vines
Phyllis "Jean" Daly
Sue Wenzlaff
Carol Savolaine

Barbara Kennelly
Luann Canham Kornowa
Milo Danzeisen
Stephen Paluck
Margaret Timm
Kathy Troxel

I KINGS 19:1-18

Heidi Lohrmann

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die, "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life; for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep.

Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. He ate and drank and lay down again. The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you." He got up and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave and spent the night there.

Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind, and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake, and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire, and after the fire a sound of sheer silence.

When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel, and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill, and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia

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GOSPEL: John 12:27-28

The Holy Gospel according to John, the twelfth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now I am deeply troubled. What should I say? 'Father, save me from this time'? No, for this is the reason I have come to this time. Father, glorify your name!"

Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

Pastor Melissa Micham

HYMN OF THE DAY

Take My Life, That I May Be

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IMMIGRANTS' CREED

Rev. Jose Luis Casal (adapted)

I believe in Almighty God, who guided the Israelites through exodus and exile, the God of Joseph in Egypt and Daniel in Babylon, the God of migrants and the displaced.

I believe in Jesus Christ, who fled his country with his parents when his life was in danger. When he returned to his native land, he suffered under the oppression of Pontius Pilate, the servant of a foreign power. Jesus was persecuted, beaten, tortured, and unjustly condemned to death. But on the third day, Jesus rose from the dead, not as an outcast but to offer citizenship in God's reign.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the eternal immigrant from God's kingdom among us, who speaks all languages and lives among all peoples. I believe the Church is to be a secure home for sojourners and all who believe. I believe the communion of saints begins when we embrace God's people in all their variety. I believe in the power of forgiveness to heal human divisions; I believe truthful reconciliation makes us whole before God.

I believe in the Resurrection: God will unite us as one people in whom all are distinct and all are held in love. I believe in everlasting life: no one will be a foreigner; all will be welcome citizens in God's kin-dom of justice and mercy. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

MEAL

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

When We Are Living

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OFFERING PRAYER

God of abundance, we return a portion of all you give us. Set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provide for us. Multiply what we share to bless those who suffer or are in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SUNG EUCHARISTIC PRAYER *Remember Me* Gerrit Gustofson & Martin J. Nystrom

On the night you were betrayed you took the bread.

After giving thanks, you broke it and said,

"This is my body, broken for you, and as you eat it, remember me.

This is my body, broken for you, and as you eat it, remember me."

On the night you were betrayed you held the cup.

After giving thanks, you lifted it up.

"This is my life, poured out for you, and as you drink it, remember me.

This is my life, poured out for you, and as you drink it, remember me."

So, we thank you for the cup and for the bread;
for we see the life you gave and the blood you shed.

And we remember your wondrous love.

You gave your body, you shed your blood. (Repeat.)

LORD'S PRAYER

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WELCOME TO THE TABLE

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION *Give Me Jesus*

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You are welcome to meditate on the lyrics or join in song.

TABLE PRAYER

O God, we give you thanks for the feast you set before us, the body and blood of your only child.
By your Spirit, strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves as bread for the hungry,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

CONCERNS OF THE PARISH

BENEDICTION

The Lord Bless You and Keep You
Peter C. Lutkin

Olivet Choir

SENDING SONG

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

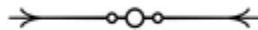
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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



Rev. Melissa Micham, Lead Pastor
Rebecca Cress, Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministries
Sarah Lewis, Accompanist/Organist
Carol Miller, Handbell Choir Director
Steve Hodge, Olivet Choir Director
Acolytes: Luke Ruddy, Graeme Whitacre
Altar Guild: Linda Hoetzel, Marti Heisler
Greeters: John & Judy Gonia
Livestream/Sound Technician: Duane Abbott
Nursery Attendants: Cat Carlo, Addie Ruddy
Ushers: John Gonia, Bruce Bischoff, Frank Shuff, Stan & Marilyn Machosky
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