OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Service Bulletin

25th Sunday after Pentecost

November 15th, 2026

P: Pastor L: Liturgist **C: Congregation**

Prelude

GATHERING
Welcome/Land Acknowledgment/Affirming Statement

APOSTOLIC GREETING
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY
C: Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

WORD
First Reading – Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

Psalm 90:1-12

1 Lord, you have been our refuge
from one generation to another.
2 **Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born,**
from age to age you are God.
3 You turn us back to the dust and say,
"Turn back, O children of earth."
4 **For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past**
and like a watch in the night;
5 you sweep them away like a dream,
they fade away suddenly like the grass:

6 **in the morning it is green and flourishes;**
in the evening it is dried up and withered.
7 For we are consumed by your anger;
we are afraid because of your wrath.
8 **Our iniquities you have set before you,**
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.
9 When you are angry, all our days are gone;
we bring our years to an end like a sigh.
10 **The span of our life is seventy years, perhaps in strength even eighty;**
yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow, for they pass away quickly and we are gone.
11 Who regards the power of your wrath?
Who rightly fears your indignation?
12 **So teach us to number our days**
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

Second Reading – 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

(All who are able, please rise.) Gospel Acclamation – **C: *Alleluia.* Abide in me as I abide in you; those who abide in me bear much fruit. *Alleluia.***
(John 15:4,5)

Gospel – Matthew 25:14-30

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED – ELW pg. 105

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PEACE
P: The peace of Christ be with you always.
C: And also with you.

Offertory Prayer

Lord's Prayer – ELW pg. 112

SENDING
Announcements

Blessing
P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favour and + give you peace.
C: Amen.

DISMISSAL
L: Go in peace and Love. Serve the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Worship Leader	Lauren Aldred
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OSLC Calendar of Events:

Worship Services:

Nov. 15, 2026	**12:30 PM –** Worship service with Lauren Aldred
Nov. 15, 2026	**2:00 PM - 3:30 PM –** Explore- Art, led by Lauren Aldred
Nov. 22, 2026	**No worship service**
Nov. 29, 2026	**12:30 PM –** 1st Sunday of Advent worship service led by Lauren Aldred
Dec. 6, 2026	**10:00 AM – (note time change)** 2nd Sunday of Advent Rev. Wendy McRae to preside over Eucharist worship service with Grace Anglican and Our Saviour's Lutheran Churches.

Food Bank: Tuesdays, 10 AM – Noon, use back basement entrance.

Worship Service Change: Rev. Wendy McRae has been called to interim ministry with the local Anglican churches. Grace Anglican has graciously invited Our Saviour's Lutheran to collaborate with Holy Communion services on the First Sundays of the month with alternating Lutheran and Anglican liturgies during the 10AM worship service. Next service will be December 6, 2026.

Canada Lutheran Magazine -Are you interested in receiving this magazine from our national church? They have 8 issues each year with articles of interest from across our Synod and national church as well as Bible reflections. If you sign up through the congregation, it is mailed directly to your home. The cost is estimated to be around $23.00. Deadline: Please let Joan know if you are interested in a subscription by November 20, 2026.

Eternity For Today Devotional- Please let Joan know if you enjoy reading this daily devotional booklet. We are renewing our subscription and want to make sure we order enough copies. Deadline: November 20, 2026

Explore-Art: November 15, 2026 – 2:00-3:30 PM – Use back basement entrance. Join us for a simple acrylic flow art activity. No cost to attend. Nonperishable donations to our foodbank gratefully accepted. All welcome.

Canadian Lutheran World Relief (CLWR)- Give gifts that change lives this Christmas! CLWR's new Gifts from the Heart catalogue is full of meaningful, tangible gifts that will honour your loved ones and share God's love with the world! This special 80th anniversary edition highlights gifts that help refugees and displaced people, alongside favourite gifts like chickens, goats and clean water. Copies are available through the church, by emailing clwr@clwr.org or you can shop online at clwr.org/GFTH.

Grace Anglican warmly invites OSLC to attend the following upcoming events:

- Soup Kitchen - Sunday, November 15 at 1:30 PM at St. Vincent de Paul.
- November 26th – In preparation for Advent and Christmas, Volunteers are needed at 10:00 am to help decorate the Church. Please see Sharon A. for more information.

November 21st – Grandmothers to Grandmothers Prince George Christmas Tea from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at Trinity United Church on 5th Avenue.

Offering / Giving:

Thank you to those who so generously give of their time, talents and gifts. We provide several options for you to contribute. If you require a charitable tax receipt for your donation, please contact the church office at oslcospika@gmail.com or 250-617-9716 to provide your name, address and email in order to register with us, so we may issue a charitable tax receipt. Tax receipts are issued by February of each year for the previous year.

Giving may be made in the following ways:

- Electronic transfer to oslcdonation@gmail.com Please include message with the purpose of the donation (e.g. general offering, designated food bank, etc.). We require your contact details in order to issue a tax receipt.
- Cheque: Mailed or placed in offering plate during Sunday worship service. Please indicate if cheque is for a designated purpose.
- Cash: Please only provide cash during Sunday worship service. Place in envelope provided, with details in order to receive tax receipt.
- Online: Credit Card: OSLC website link: Canada Helps: Donate Now - Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Prince George (canadahelps.org) **– Canada Helps will issue a tax receipt directly to you**

Thank you for making a difference in many people's lives through your ongoing financial support and participation in the mission of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church.

READINGS FOR THE DAY

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FIRST READING – Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

7 Be silent before the Lord God,
for the day of the Lord is at hand!
The Lord has prepared a sacrifice;
he has consecrated his guests.

12 At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,
and I will punish the people who settle like dregs in wine,
those who say in their hearts,
"The Lord will not do good,
nor will he do harm."
13 Their wealth shall be plundered
and their houses laid waste.
Though they build houses,
they shall not inhabit them;
though they plant vineyards,
they shall not drink wine from them.

14 The great day of the Lord is near,
near and hastening fast;
the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter;
the warrior cries aloud there.
15 That day will be a day of wrath,
a day of distress and anguish,
a day of ruin and devastation,
a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and thick darkness,
16 a day of trumpet blast and battle cry
against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements.

17 I will bring such distress upon people
that they shall walk like the blind;
because they have sinned against the Lord,
their blood shall be poured out like dust
and their flesh like dung.
18 Neither their silver nor their gold
will be able to save them
on the day of the Lord's wrath;
in the fire of his passion
the whole earth shall be consumed,
for a full, a terrible end

he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

L: Word of God, word of life.
C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING – 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

1 Now concerning the times and
the seasons, brothers and
sisters, you do not need to
have anything written to
you. 2 For you yourselves know
very well that the day of the
Lord will come like a thief in
the night. 3 When they say,
"There is peace and security,"
then sudden destruction will
come upon them, as labor
pains come upon a pregnant
woman, and there will be no
escape! 4 But you, brothers and
sisters, are not in darkness, for
that day to surprise you like a
thief; 5 for you are all children
of light and children of the
day; we are not of the night or
of darkness. 6 So, then, let us
not fall asleep as others do,
but let us keep awake and be
sober, 7 for those who sleep
sleep at night, and those who
are drunk get drunk at
night. 8 But since we belong to
the day, let us be sober and
put on the breastplate of faith
and love and for a helmet the
hope of salvation. 9 For God has
destined us not for wrath but
for obtaining salvation through
our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 who
died for us, so that whether we
are awake or asleep we may
live with him. 11 Therefore
encourage one another and
build up each other, as indeed
you are doing.

L: Word of God, word of life.
C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING - Matthew 25:14-30

C: Glory To You, O Lord

[Jesus said to the
disciples:] 14 "For it is as if a
man, going on a journey,
summoned his slaves and
entrusted his property to
them; 15 to one he gave five
talents, to another two, to
another one, to each according
to his ability. Then he went
away. At once 16 the one who
had received the five talents
went off and traded with them
and made five more
talents. 17 In the same way, the
one who had the two talents
made two more talents. 18 But
the one who had received the
one talent went off and dug a
hole in the ground and hid his

master's money. [19] After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. [20] Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' [21] His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' [22] And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' [23] His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' [24] Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow and gathering where you did not scatter, [25] so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' [26] But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow and gather where I did not scatter? [27] Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. [28] So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. [29] For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance, but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. [30] As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' "

P: The gospel of the LORD.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.