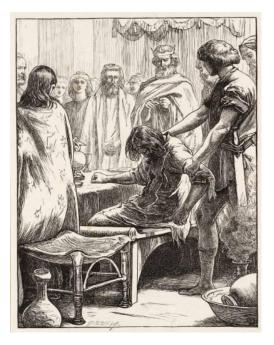


ST. ELISABETH'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 23

10:00 AM

Welcome to Saint Elisabeth's. We are delighted to have you with us today.



The Marriage Feast: The Man without the Wedding Robe, from "Illustrations to "The parables of our Lord", engraved by the Dalziel Brothers. 1864

This faith community invites all persons to all levels of participation, leadership and decision-making within the church regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ethnicity, age, physical or mental capacity, education, socioeconomic and marital status. We seek to establish meaningful connections with one another through work and play and worship as we strive to understand God's purpose for us in the church and in the world.

Ordinary Time: Harvest

The Jewish and Christian Scriptures give eloquent expression to the creative power and wisdom of God. It is therefore a natural instinct for worshipping communities to develop patterns of worship and prayer around the agricultural year. Of course, there were dangers, and the same Scriptures bear witness to concerns about the idolatry of fertility cults and the worship of created things rather than the creator. Nevertheless, ancient society lived close to the land, and it is no surprise that the ancient Jewish festivals of Passover and Unleavened Bread, Weeks and Tabernacles all have agrarian roots. The Christian tradition, too, has assimilated, but with differing emphases and in different times and places, particular agricultural festivals. Much of this is bound up with the need to provide food to sustain human life, and the accompanying sense of a proper humility before God as source of all things, gratitude for his goodness, and responsibility in stewarding the resources of the earth.

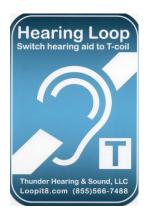
From Common Worship

Entering in...

Salvation is simply the readiness, the capacity, and the willingness to stay in relationship. As long as you show up with some degree of vulnerability, the Spirit can keep working. Self-sufficiency makes God experience impossible. Richard Rohr

Practice

In what way does your own sense of "self-sufficiency" get in the way of your personal relationships with each other and with God? What might you do to move one step closer in those relationships?



The Holy Eucharist

Prelude

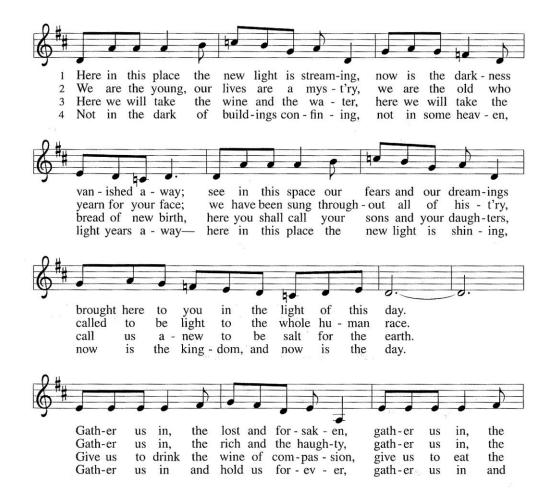
Opening Hymn

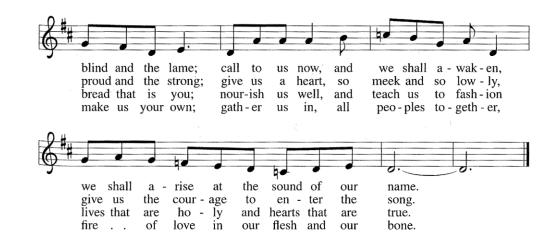
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"Here is this place the new light is streaming"

Gather Us In



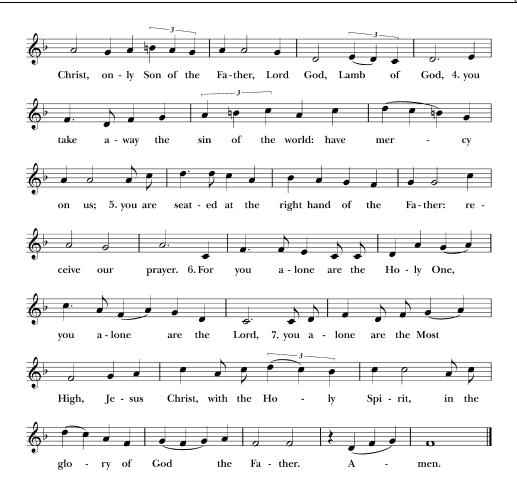


Opening Acclamation

PresiderBlessed be the one, holy, and living God.AssemblyGlory to God forever and ever.

Gloria

"Glory to God" Hymnal S280 Powell 1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and earth. 2. Lord God, peace to his peo-ple on heaven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus



Collect of the Day

Presider	God be with you.
Assembly	And also with you.
Presider	Let us pray.
	You know us each by name, O God, and in your sight we have found
	favor, yet our minds cannot comprehend the vision of your glory or the
	vastness of your love. Grant, that as we glimpse your greatness, we may
	always return to you the praise that is yours alone.
	We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Assembly	Amen.

Please be seated for the lessons.

Word of God

First Reading

Isaiah 25:1-9

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled. On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

ReaderHear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.AssemblyThanks be to God.

Psalm				Psalm 23
Hymnal 645	"The King of	of love my she	pherd is"	St. Columba
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<u>3</u> gent - ly laid,		- J	- ing, brought	me.
4 com - fort still,	,	be - fore	to guide	me.
5 of de - light		pure chal	- ice flow	- eth!
6 sing thy prais	e with - in	thy house	for ev	- er.

Second Reading

Philippians 4:1-9

A Reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

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Stand for the Gospel, as able.



Cantor	Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
Assembly	Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
Cantor	The Word was made flesh and lived among us:
	to all who did accept him
	he gave power to become children of God.
Assembly	Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

All face the Gospel Book.

Gospel	Matthew 22:1-14
Gospeler	The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Assembly	Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and

throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

Gospeler	The Gospel of the Lord.
Assembly	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

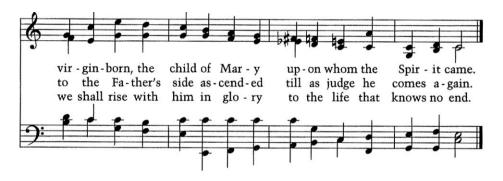
Sermon

The Rev. Adam Spencer

A period of silence follows.

Creed





Prayers of the People

Common Worship

Intercessor	Let us give thanks to God, the God of all peoples of the earth. For the color and forms of your creation and our place within it, we bring our thanks, good Lord:
Assembly	Your mercy endures for ever.
Intercessor	For our daily food, and for those whose work and skill bring your good gifts to us, we bring our thanks, good Lord:
Assembly	Your mercy endures for ever.
Intercessor	For the gifts and graces inspired in human minds and hearts; for insight and imagination, for the skills of research which bring healing and fulfilment to the lives of many; we bring our thanks, good Lord:
Assembly	Your mercy endures for ever.
Intercessor	For the light and shades of the changing seasons, and their variety and dependability; for new life and growth out of barrenness and decay; we bring our thanks, good Lord:
Assembly	Your mercy endures for ever.
Intercessor	For all in whose lives we see goodness, kindness, gentleness, patience and humility, and all the fruits of the Spirit, we bring our thanks, good Lord:
Assembly	Your mercy endures for ever.

Intercessor	For the life we have been given, and for all those whom you have given us to share it with, we bring our thanks, good Lord:
Assembly	Your mercy endures for ever.
Intercessor	We pray for the Diocese of Chicago and Paula our bishop, for Michael our Presiding Bishop, for Justin Archbishop of Canterbury, and we give thanks for the Anglican Communion around the world. Lord of all fellowship:
Assembly	Hear our prayer.
Intercessor	We pray for governments and aid agencies and their leaders, and those areas of the world where there is disaster, drought and starvation. For the agencies and ministries which our congregation supports: Interfaith Action Soup Kitchen, Family Promise, New Trier Township Food Pantry, and Orphans of the Storm. By the grace of your Spirit, touch our hearts, and the hearts of all who live in comfortable plenty, and make us wise stewards of your gifts. Lord of all justice:
Assembly	Hear our prayer.
Intercessor	We pray for those who are sick and suffering, and for those who have asked for our prayers, especially: <u>Leslie</u> Alter <u>Walter</u> Tuohy, John Tuohy's brother <u>Linda</u> Staubitz <u>Peter</u> Staubitz <u>Trude</u> Roselle, Kay Rossiter's friend
	Bishop Michael Curry The people of Israel and Palestine
	are there others?
	Lord of all compassion:
Assembly	Hear our prayer.

Intercessor	We remember those who have died, particularly for those we now name silently or aloud.
	The assembly may share aloud or silently.
	We entrust them to your eternal love in the hope of resurrection to new life. Lord of all peace:
Assembly	Hear our prayer.
Intercessor	We offer ourselves to your service, asking that by the Spirit at work in us others may receive a rich harvest of love and joy and peace. Lord of all faithfulness:
Assembly	Hear our prayer.

Confession and Absolution

Presider	As those who know the generosity of God, let us confess our sins,
	especially the ways in which we take God's good gifts for granted.

The people may kneel.

Presider	Lord, you give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses. Lord, have mercy.
Assembly	Lord, have mercy.
Presider	Lord, you give us this day our daily bread. Let us not be led into temptation. Christ, have mercy.
Assembly	Christ, have mercy.
Presider	Lord, you give us this day our daily bread. Deliver us from evil. Lord, have mercy.
Assembly	Lord, have mercy.
Presider	Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Assembly	Amen.

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Peace

Presider The Peace of Christ be always with you.

Assembly And also with you.

Please offer one another a sign of God's Peace.

Welcome and Announcements

Birthdays		Anniversaries	
10-17	Sally Graver	10-17	Leslie & Jay Alter
10-21	Nate Lesperance		

Those celebrating Birthdays and Anniversaries are invited to come forward for a blessing.

Celebration of Birthdays and Anniversaries

Presider God, thank you for the days of our lives: Look with joy, we pray, on N. and all celebrating birthdays as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Assembly Amen. Presider God of our strength and joy, we thank you for the love we witness between two people because through their love for each other we get a glimpse of the love you have for each and every one of us. Through the power of your spirit may N.& N. live in fidelity and peace and obtain those eternal joys prepared for all who seek and love you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Assembly Amen.

Stewardship Testimonial

Courtney Mygatt

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Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

PresiderWalk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and
sacrifice to God.(Ephesians 5:2)

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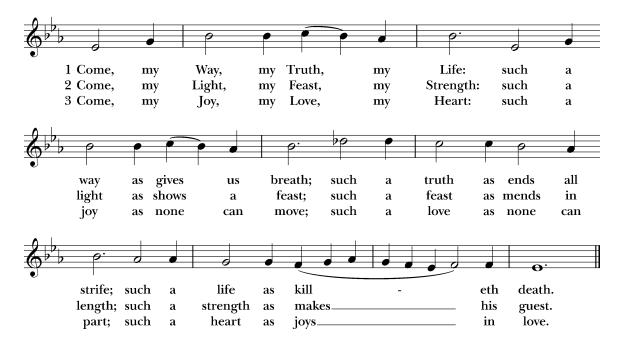
If you are financially able to support the mission of St. Elisabeth's, please put your offering in the collection plate as it is passed or use the QR code to donate online.



Offertory Anthem

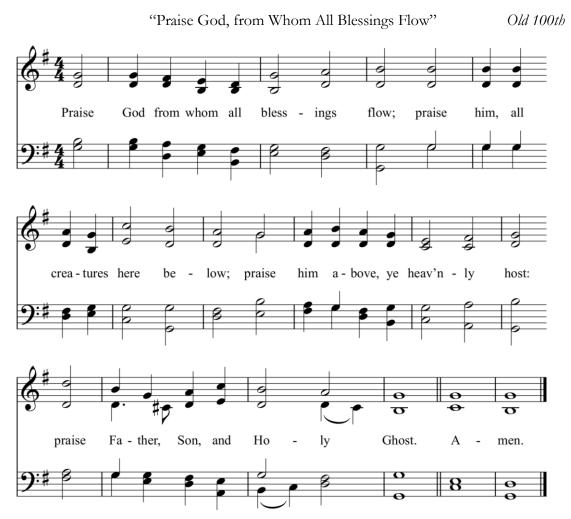
"Come my Way"

The Call



Doxology

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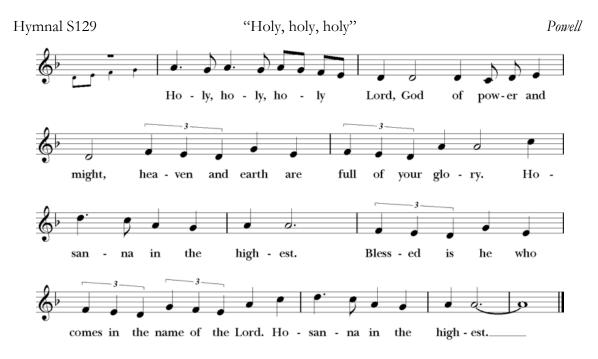
Common Worship

Presider	God be with you.
Assembly	And also with you.
Presider	Lift up your hearts.
Assembly	We lift them to the Lord.
Presider	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
Assembly	It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Presider	Lord of all life, you created the universe, where all living things reflect your glory. You give us this great and beautiful earth, to discover and to cherish.
	You give us sun and moon and star-lit sky, everything that gives us light, light for our eyes, our hearts, our minds. You give us the fish in the sea, the birds of the air, and every plant and tree; the life that sleeps in the

winter earth, and awakens again in the spring. You give us your love, even when things go wrong. Jesus knew hurt and pain. Through him you wipe away our tears, and fill us with your peace. You give us happy times and things to celebrate. In these we taste your kingdom, a feast for all your children.

You made us all, each wonderfully different, to join with the angels and sing your praise:

Sanctus



The assembly may stand or kneel.

PresiderWe thank you, loving God, because, when we turned away from you, you
sent Jesus, your Son. He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the
way to live. Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine may
be for us Christ's body and his blood.

On the night before he died, at supper with his friends, Jesus took bread. He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying: "This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me."

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying: 'This is my blood, poured out for all, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this to remember me.'

So, with this bread and this cup we celebrate Christ's love, death, and risen life.

As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit, and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Savior. Help us, God, to love one another, as we look forward to that day when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms. And now with Elisabeth and all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever.

Assembly Amen.

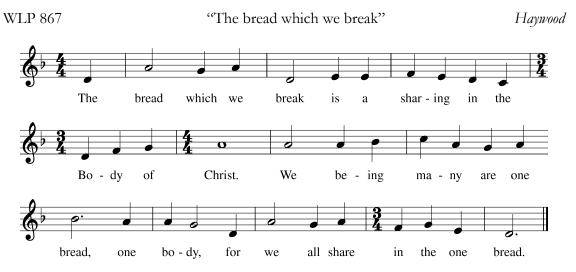
Lord's Prayer

Presider	And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
Assembly	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,
	for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem



All are welcome to receive Communion or a blessing. Gluten-free host available upon request. If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, please cross your arms over your chest.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Adapted from Saint Augustine's Prayer Book By The Rev. Mandy Brady

For congregation members not comfortable receiving communion in-person and for those participating online, we invite you at this time to pray this prayer for Spiritual Communion.

Jesus, in union with the faithful of every place and people and nation, I join in offering the sacrifice of my praise and thanksgiving to you. I believe that you are truly present in the Bread that has been blessed, broken and given. Since I cannot now receive this holy sacrament, I pray that you will come spiritually into my heart. Abide with me, that I may embrace you entirely, and submit myself to your love and mercy. Let me never be separated from you, that in my waking and in my sleeping I may know the comfort of your presence. I ask this for the sake of your love. Amen.

Communion Music

Hymn 664

"My Shepherd will supply my need"

Resignation



Post Communion Acclamation

Psalm 65:8,10,11,13;67:7

Please stand as able.

Presider	The earth has yielded its harvest;
Assembly	God, our God, has blessed us.
Presider	You visit the earth and water it;
Assembly	you make it very plenteous.
Presider	You soften the ground with showers;
Assembly	and bless the increase of it.
Presider	You crown the year with your goodness;
Assembly	and your paths overflow with plenty.
Presider	The earth has yielded its harvest;
Assembly	God, our God, has blessed us.
Blessing	

Presider	May God, who is the source of all goodness and growth, pour a blessing
	upon all things created, and upon you, that you may use the gifts you've
	been given to God's glory and for the welfare of all peoples; and the
	blessing of Almighty God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer of all, be
	upon you and remain with you always.
Assembly	Amen.

Dismissal

Presider	Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Assembly	Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn

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"Sent forth by God's blessing"

Ash Grove



Postlude

Altar Flowers: Are given by Carol Heitman-Mazzocco and Joyce Newcomb to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Norman & Alicesnow Rickards.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: For all retired clergy in our diocese, and for surviving spouses of clergy. And for ministries in our Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Mothers' Union in the Diocese of Renk

Assisting Today

First Reading	Robert Fischer
Second Reading	Susan Newcomb
Prayers	Linda Illes
Altar Guild	Libby Hinds, Susan Chadd
Usher	Phil Miller
Coffee Hour Host	Anne & Hall Healy

This Week

Monday, October 16	AA Meeting (8:00 PM)
Wednesday, October 18	Boy Scout Troop #28 (7:15 PM)
Thursday, October 19	Spoken Eucharist: Rite II (7:30 AM)
	Choir Rehearsal (7:30 PM)
Friday, October 20	Bible Study (11:00 AM)
Saturday, October 14	Confirmation & Christianity 101 @ St. L. (4:30 PM)
	AA Meeting (5:00 PM)
	Candlelight Cabaret at St. E's (6:30 PM)

Up Next

<u>Sunday, October 22</u>	Spoken Eucharist: Rite I (8:00 AM)
	Choir Rehearsal (9:00 AM)
	Choral Eucharist: Rite II (10:00 AM)
	Formation (11:30 AM)
October 26	Spoken Eucharist: Rite II (7:30 AM)
	Choir Rehearsal (7:30 PM)
October 27	Bible Study (11:00 AM)

Announcements

Candlelight Cabaret, Saturday, October 21, 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM at St. Elisabeth's. Join us for an evening of music, food and fun, benefiting our refurbishment of the Bethany Labyrinth and our partner, Family Promise. Tickets are on sale at steglencoe.org or speak to Susan Newcomb if you prefer to write a check. 312-752-7651.

Spirit Day October 22: Please join the LGBTQ team on Sunday October 22 for lunch and a workshop after the 10:00 AM service to recognize Spirit Day. Spirit Day was started in 2010 in response to a number of bullying-related LGBTQ suicides. Lizzy Appleby, LCSW from Youth Services, will facilitate the workshop and help us to reconceptualize bullying from an anti-oppression framework and to understand what we can do about bullying behavior and the silence and shame in which it thrives.

Announcements

SAVE THE DATE:_St. Elisabeth's Legacy Society Members This year's dinner will be Sunday night, **October 29** at Skokie Country Club at **5:30 PM** -- The dinner is a THANK YOU for members who have made gift donations or financial commitments in the present or in future to support the continued life of the church. Funds as collected are deposited in the Baehr Legacy Fund. For more information contact: The Rev. Adam Spencer or Anne Tuohy.

Join the Choir: Choir rehearsals are on Thursdays at 7:30 PM! All are invited to join. Background or education in music is not required to participate. We will work together to learn our hymns and anthems, while building basic singing skills along the way! For more information, talk to Walter or any member of the choir.

Weekday Worship: Come join Adam before work or school for a short service of Holy Communion with a brief homily on the readings assigned for the day. We will have a weekly weekday morning celebration of the Spoken Eucharist Rite II at **7:30** AM every Thursday.

St. Elisabeth's Bible Study Our brand-new St. E's Bible Study group will meet weekly in person, **Fridays at 11:00 AM** in the Guild Room. We will be reading through entire books of the Bible beginning with Genesis and Exodus. For more information, contact Mark Tilton.

On **Sunday, November 5**, we will celebrate the Feast of All Saints' here at St. Elisabeth's at both the 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM services. Here are some special ways to worship and pray and commemorate this day when we honor our dead:

- Write the names of loved ones who have died in the Necrology binder at the back of the church beginning today, Sunday, October 15. Necrology means list of deaths; the names of those persons you have shared in the binder will be read aloud during the service on November 5.
- Bring a photo, memento, candle, or a personal item to put on St. Elisabeth's remembrance table in the church to recognize the presence of your beloveds among us, commemorating those who have died. You can bring them in the week of October 29 during our normal church office hours or place them on the table when heading into the service on November 5.

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Sunday Schedule

8:00 AM Spoken Eucharist: Rite I9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal10:00 AM Choral Eucharist: Rite II

Office Hours

Tuesday by appointment, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM Pastoral Care Number: 847-786-3082

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