



LAST SUNDAY OF THE
CHURCH YEAR
DIVINE SERVICE 3, PG. 184
NOVEMBER 20/21, 2021
5:30PM / 8:00AM & 10:45AM
ALL CHANTED

*Prayers for worship are found inside the front cover of the hymnal.
Please place this in your hymnal to help guide you through the liturgy.
Today's order of service begins on page 184 in Lutheran Service Book (LSB).*

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS / WELCOME BY PASTOR

OPENING HYMN: LSB 771 - "Be Still, My Soul, before the Lord"

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

LSB 184

SERVICE OF THE WORD

LSB 186

INTROIT: PSALM 39:4-5, 7-8; ANTIPHON: ISAIAH 35:10

A The ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with | singing;*
everlasting joy shall be up- | on their heads.
They shall obtain glad- | ness and joy,*
and sorrow and sighing shall | flee away.

A O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure | of my days;*
let me know how fleeting | I am!

C Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths, and my lifetime is as
nothing be- | fore you.*

Surely all mankind stands as a | mere breath!

A And now, O Lord, for what | do I wait?*

My hope | is in you.

C Deliver me from all my trans- | gressions.*
Do not make me the scorn | of the fool!



C Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit. (SUNG)

P Let us pray.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son, we pray, to lead home His bride, the Church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen. (SUNG)

OLD TESTAMENT READING: ISAIAH 65:17-25

¹⁷Behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. ¹⁸But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness. ¹⁹I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress. ²⁰No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. ²¹They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. ²²They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. ²³They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD, and their descendants with them. ²⁴Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear. ²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain," says the LORD.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL: PSALM 45:14-15

A In many-colored robes [the king's daughter] is led | to the king,*
with her virgin companions following be- | hind her.

With joy and gladness they are | led along*
as they enter the palace | of the king.

EPISTLE: 1 THESSALONIANS 5:1-11

¹Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. ²For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³While people are saying, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. ⁴But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. ⁵For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. ⁶So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. ⁷For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. ⁸But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰who died for us so that whether

we are awake or asleep we might live with him. ¹¹Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE: REVELATION 21:2

C Alleluias sung.

A I saw the holy city, new Je- | rusalem,*

coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her | husband.

C Repeat Alleluias.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord. (SUNG)

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 25:1-13

¹[Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ²Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, ⁴but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. ⁶But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' ⁷Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. ⁸And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' ⁹But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' ¹⁰And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. ¹¹Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' ¹²But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' ¹³Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ. (SUNG)

APOSTLES' CREED

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HYMN OF THE DAY: LSB 516 - "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying"

SERMON: "DON'T WAIT UNTIL IT'S TOO LATE!", MATTHEW 25:1-13

OFFERTORY

LSB 192

OFFERING (TAKEN AT THE DOOR)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LSB 193

P ... let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord have mercy.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

LSB 194

DISTRIBUTION

HYMN: LSB 680 - "Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise", 10:45am: vs. 1 & 3 ~ Youth Choir

HYMN: LSB 672 - "Jerusalem the Golden"

NUNC DIMITTIS

LSB 199

THANKSGIVING

LSB 200

CONGREGATION AT PRAYER (CAP)**A Daily Devotion and Prayer guide for individuals and families****LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR: NOVEMBER 21-27**

(See Daily Prayer in LSB pg. 295-298 or Treasury of Daily Prayer)

INVOCATION- In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

INTROIT – (Bulletin insert)

10 COMMANDMENTS (LSB 264)

APOSTLES' CREED (LSB 264)

DAILY LECTIONARY READINGS (pg. 299-304 in LSB):

Sunday: Dan. 2:1-23; Rev. 18:1-24

Monday: Dan. 2:24-49; Rev. 19:1-21

Tuesday: Dan. 3:1-30; Rev. 20:1-15

Wednesday: Dan. 4:1-37; Rev. 21:1-8

Thursday: Dan. 5:1-30 (7:1-8:27); Rev. 21:9-27 ~ Thanksgiving Day

Friday: Dan. 6:1-28 (9:1-27); Rev. 22:1-21

Saturday: Is. 1:1-28; 1 Peter 1:1-12

DAILY MEDITATIONS (Portals of Prayer, LHM, Higher Things)

COLLECT (Bulletin insert)

LORD'S PRAYER

WE CARE AND PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER (See prayers in bulletin & LSB pg. 294, 305-318)

LUTHER'S MORNING OR EVENING PRAYER (LSB pg. 327)

HYMN OF THE WEEK: LSB 516 ~ "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying"

NEXT WEEK: FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT (AD TE LEVAVI)

Jeremiah 23:5-8

Romans 13:(8-10) 11-14

Matthew 21:1-9

The Lord Jesus Comes in Humility to Redeem Us

The new Church Year begins by focusing on the humble coming of our Lord. *"Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey"* (Matt. 21:5). Even as He was born in a lowly manger, so Jesus rides into Jerusalem on a beast of burden. For He bears the sin of the world. He is the Son of David riding to His enthronement on the cross, where He shows Himself to be *"The LORD is our Righteousness"* (Jer. 23:5-6). Our Lord still comes in great humility to deliver His righteousness to us in the Word and Sacraments. Before receiving Christ's body and blood, we also sing, *"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"* (Matt. 21:9) And as we receive the Sacrament, we set our hearts on His return in glory, for *"our salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed"* (Rom. 13:11).