

NOVEMBER 12, 2023 | *2nd Sunday of End Time, Last Judgment*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Welcome to our worship service today! We are glad to have you with us as we gather before our almighty and saving God to hear His holy and powerful Word and celebrate His life-giving Sacraments, offering our prayers and praises as He strengthens our faith and brings us ever closer to our eternal home with Him.

SERVICE NOTES

Lord, keep us mindful of the Judgment! He will come to judge the quick and the dead. We confess it every Sunday, but often live like those are empty words. Today we pray that God keep us ever mindful of the Last Judgment that we might be found in faith, fruitful in both word and deed. For God's people, there's no need to fear Judgment Day; rather, we can look forward to it as the day of our redemption.

If you need any assistance, please ask any of our ushers for help. In inclement weather, or if walking from your car is difficult, please make use of the carport. The ushers will gladly park and/or retrieve your car for you if needed.

If you are a visitor with us today, please sign the Guest Book before you leave today (the black binder in the front of church). If you would like to learn more about our church or are interested in church membership, please speak with the Pastor or one of the Elders.

If you have small children, please note there is a Parents' Room at the rear of the sanctuary if you need to temporarily calm a child, but we are caring, loving and happy to hear your child/children. From the Parents' Room you can still see, hear, and participate in the worship service.

For your convenience today's order of service is printed on the following pages. It is based on the Order of Morning Service, found on p. 5ff. in *The Lutheran Hymnal*.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Minister

Rev. Michael Dietz

Organist

Deb Meyer

Elder on Duty

Sunday: Dan Lindquist

Ushers on Duty

Brian Busse, Jason Diestler, David Diestler

Altar Guild

Barbara Hartwig & Sue Wallenfang

The Order of Morning Service

Please stand.

OPENING HYMN

Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying | 609

INVOCATION AND CONFESSION OF SINS

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

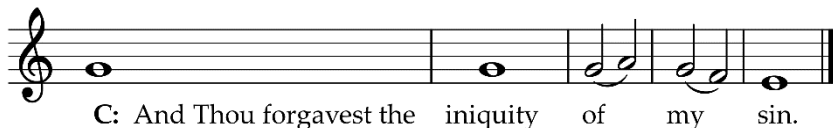


M: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.



M: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.



M: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore, we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us; have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

M: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only-begotten Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe on His Name He gives power to become the children of God, and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all!

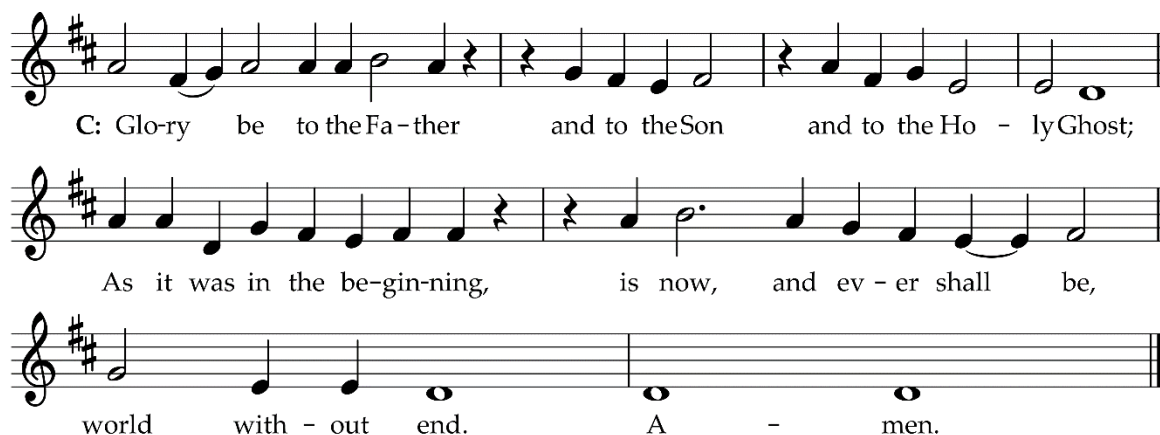


You may be seated.

THE INTROIT & GLORIA PATRI

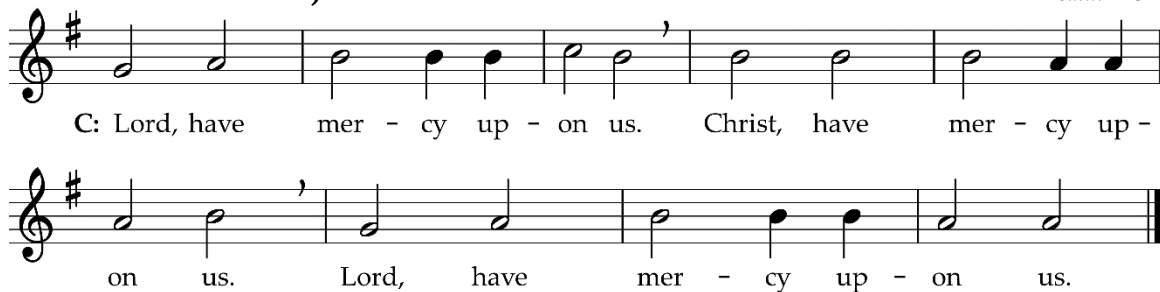
Psalm 54:1, 2, 5

M: Save me, O God, by Your name, and vindicate me by Your strength. Hear my prayer, O God; Give ear to the words of my mouth. He will repay my enemies for their evil. Cut them off in Your truth.



THE KYRIE—*LORD, HAVE MERCY*

Psalm 123



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS—"GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST"

Luke 2:14

C: Glory be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will toward

men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God,

Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the

world, have mercy up - on us. Thou that takest away the sin of the

world, re - ceive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the

Father, have mercy up - on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou
on - ly art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly
Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spir - it.

Please stand.

M: Let us pray: Lord God Almighty, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may always look forward to the end of this present evil age and to the day of Your righteous judgment. Keep us steadfast in true and living faith and present us at last holy and blameless before You; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

You may be seated.

FIRST LESSON: DANIEL 7:9-10 *On Judgment Day, the court will be seated and the books opened.*

⁹“As I looked, “thrones were set in place, and the Ancient of Days took his seat. His clothing was as white as snow; the hair of his head was white like wool. His throne was flaming with fire, and its wheels were all ablaze.

¹⁰A river of fire was flowing, coming out from before him. Thousands upon thousands attended him; ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him. The court was seated, and the books were opened.

SECOND LESSON: 1 THESSALONIANS 5:1-11 *The day of the Lord comes as a thief in the night.*

But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. ² For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. ³ For when they say, "Peace and safety!" then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape.

⁴ But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief. ⁵ You are all sons of light and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. ⁶ Therefore let us not sleep, as others *do*, but let us watch and be sober. ⁷ For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night. ⁸ But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and *as* a helmet the hope of salvation.

⁹ For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰ who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him. ¹¹ Therefore comfort each other and edify one another, just as you also are doing.

GRADUAL

Matthew 24:42 (RSV)

M: Alleluia. Watch therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. Alleluia.



Please stand.

GOSPEL LESSON: MATTHEW 10:16-23

The day of the Lord comes as a thief in the night.



C: Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord!

¹⁶"I am sending you out like sheep among wolves. Therefore, be as shrewd as snakes and as innocent as doves. ¹⁷Be on your guard; you will be handed over to the local councils and be flogged in the synagogues. ¹⁸On my account you will be brought before governors and kings as witnesses to them and to the Gentiles. ¹⁹But when they arrest you, do not worry about what to say or how to say it. At that time, you will be given what to say, ²⁰for it will not be you speaking, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

²¹"Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child; children will rebel against their parents and have them put to death. ²²You will be hated by everyone because of me, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. ²³When you are persecuted in one place, flee to another. Truly I tell you, you will not finish going through the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.



C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

THE APOSTLES' CREED

C: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

You may be seated.

HYMN

Great God, What do I See and Hear? | 604

Please stand for the singing of the final stanza.

SERMON – MATTHEW 25:31-46

Left Side or Right Side?

Please stand.

THE OFFERTORY



Cre - ate in me a clean_ heart, O God, and re - new a right.

spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres - ence;

and take___ not Thy Ho - ly Spi - rit from me.

Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion;

and up - hold me with_ Thy_ free spir - it. A - men.

You may be seated.

THE OFFERING

Please stand.

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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 forever and ever. Amen.

You may be seated.

HYMN

The World Is Very Evil | 605

Please stand.

COLLECT OF THE WORD

M: Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart, that by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.



THE BENEDICTION

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS – If you'd like to donate altar flowers for one of our worship services, please sign up and find details on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. Thank you!

FELLOWSHIP SNACKS – Thank you to Jan & Phil Heuser and Sandy Gillaume for serving snacks today. If you'd like to serve snacks on Sunday mornings, please sign up in the fellowship hall. Thank you!

AMMO CAN - In honor of Veterans Day, you may leave a donation in the Ammo Can for the Lutheran Military Support Group. Checks should be made out to Christ the King and designated for LMSG on the envelope. Thank you!

CALL MEETING – A Call Meeting is scheduled for **TODAY** at 6:30 p.m. A hamburger/potluck supper is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. The Kitchen Committee will provide burgers, buns, ketchup and mustard. The congregation can bring a dish to pass if you want but it is not required.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS – It is time to order poinsettias for our Christmas services! If you would like to donate a poinsettia, the cost this year is \$16.50/plant. Simply place your money in a separate offering envelope, mark it "poinsettia" along with your name and info, and place in the offering. The deadline for ordering is **TODAY**.

WOMEN ON A MISSION – We meet Tuesday, November 13, at 6:00 p.m. We will be choosing the Christmas movie planned for Sunday after Thanksgiving, 11-26, at 2:30 p.m. and making plans for events in the first half of 2024. We would love to have new members and invite all women of the congregation to join.

THANKSGIVING PIE SOCIAL – Mark your calendar for the Thanksgiving Eve Service at 6:30 p.m. Afterward we are having a pie social. A sign-up sheet for your name and type of pie is posted in the Fellowship Hall if you would like to bring a pie.

ADVENT SUPPERS – The Kitchen Committee posted a sign-up sheet for the Advent Suppers that will be held prior to the Advent services on December 6, 13 and 20. Everyone is welcome to enjoy good food and fellowship. If you are able to contribute to one of the meals, please sign up. Each group is responsible for planning, serving, clean-up and providing the meal for that week.

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST THE KING

SUNDAY (11/12)

Divine Service, 9:00 a.m.

Fellowship, 10:05 a.m.

Education Hour, 10:30 a.m.

TUESDAY (11/14)

Women On a Mission, 6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY (11/15)

Emerald Bay Service, 4:00 p.m.

SUNDAY (11/19)

Divine Service w/Comm., 9:00 a.m.

Fellowship, 10:05 a.m.

Education Hour, 10:30 a.m.

OUR MISSION

*Christ the King Ev. Lutheran
Church gives all praise and
thanks to the Triune God
for His grace received through
Word and Sacrament by
sharing the saving Gospel
of Christ with the people of
this community and the
world.*