

Last Sunday of the Church Year
November 21, 2021



LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR WAITING FOR MERCY'S SAKE

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PRESERVICE MUSIC “Come, O Almighty King” (arr. Kosche) & “Praise & Thanksgiving” (arr. Callahan)

A Reminder: Please be respectful to our brothers and sisters who use the time prior to worship for quiet meditation on God's Word. - Thank you!

804 O WORSHIP THE KING

sts. 1–2, 5–6

- 1 O worship the King, all-glorious above.
O gratefully sing His pow'r and His love;
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.
- 2 O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.
- 5 Frail children of dust and feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail.
Thy mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,
Our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend!
- 6 O measureless Might, ineffable Love,
While angels delight to hymn Thee above,
Thy humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
With true adoration shall sing to Thy praise.

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

You are the Christ, the Son of the living God. *Matthew 16:16*

INVOCATION

- A** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- A** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

- A** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

A In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

G Amen.

INTROIT

Psalms 39:4–5a, 7–8, 12a; antiphon: 2 Peter 3:13b NIV

We are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth,
the home of righteousness.

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

Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths,
and my lifetime is as nothing before you.

And now, O Lord, for what do I wait?

My hope is in you.

Deliver me from all my transgressions.

Do not make me the scorn of the fool!

Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry;
hold not your peace at my tears!

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

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HYMN OF THE MONTH - 762 THERE IS A TIME FOR EVERYTHING

This hymn, based on Ecclesiastes 3, was written by Stephen Starke in remembrance of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. Stanza 3 brings our Lord clearly into focus, assuring His people of His care in the midst of such a tragedy, echoing words from Isaiah 55:8; Genesis 50:20; and Romans 8:28.

- 1 There is a time for ev'rything, A time for all that life may bring:
A time to plant, a time to reap, A time to laugh, a time to weep,
A time to heal, a time to slay, A time to build where rubble lay,
A time to die, a time to mourn, A time for joy and to be born,
- 2 A time to hold, then be alone, A time to gather scattered stone,
A time to break, a time to mend, A time to search and then to end,
A time to keep, then throw away, A time to speak, then nothing say,
A time for war till hatreds cease, A time for love, a time for peace.
- 3 Eternal Lord, Your wisdom sees And fathoms all life's tragedies;
You know our grief, You hear our sighs— In mercy, dry our tear-stained eyes.
From evil times, You bring great good; Beneath the cross, we've safely stood.
Though dimly now life's path we trace, One day we shall see face to face.
- △ 4 Before all time had yet begun, You, Father, planned to give Your Son;
Lord Jesus Christ, with timeless grace, You have redeemed our time-bound race;
O Holy Spirit, Paraclete, Your timely work in us complete;
Blest Trinity, Your praise we sing— There is a time for ev'rything!

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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

A The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

A Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 51:4–6

⁴“Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law will go out from me, and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait. ⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Jude 20–25

²⁰But you, beloved, build yourselves up in your most holy faith; pray in the Holy Spirit; ²¹keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. ²²And have mercy on those who doubt; ²³save others by snatching them out of the fire; to others show mercy with fear, hating even the garment stained by the flesh. ²⁴Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, ²⁵to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

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C Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 13:24–37

A The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁴[Jesus said:] “In those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, ²⁵and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. ²⁶And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. ²⁷And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. ²⁸“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. ²⁹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. ³¹Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ³²“But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. ³⁵Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the cock crows, or in the morning— ³⁶lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. ³⁷And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake.”

A This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

663 RISE, MY SOUL, TO WATCH AND PRAY

- 1 Rise, my soul, to watch and pray; From your sleep awaken!
Be not by the evil day Unawares o’ertaken;
For the foe, Well we know,
Is a harvest reaping While the saints are sleeping.
- 2 Watch against the devil’s snares Lest asleep he find you;
For indeed no pains he spares To deceive and blind you.
Satan’s prey Oft are they
Who secure are sleeping And no watch are keeping.
- 3 Watch! Let not the wicked world With its lies defeat you
Lest with bold deceptions hurled It betray and cheat you.
Watch and see Lest there be
Faithless friends to charm you, Who but seek to harm you.
- 4 Watch against yourself, my soul, Lest with grace you trifle;
Let not self your thoughts control Nor God’s mercy stifle.
Pride and sin Lurk within,
All your hopes to shatter; Heed not when they flatter.
- 5 But while watching, also pray To the Lord unceasing.
God protects you day by day, Strength and faith increasing,
So that still Mind and will
Shall unite to serve Him And forever love Him.

SERMON

CREED Early Service – Nicene Creed Late Service –Apostles’ Creed
(Creed can be found in the back of the hymnal and on the screens)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each petition, please respond with the following:

A Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

At the end of the prayer:

C Amen.

Late service please continue with the Lord’s Prayer & Benediction

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

LSB 161

G Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

LORD'S PRAYER

PAX DOMINI

LSB 163

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

G Amen.

AGNUS DEI

LSB 163

G Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

***For guests and visitors, we invite you to please read our statement
regarding the Lord's Supper on the inside cover of your bulletin.***

+ DISTRIBUTION HYMNS +

527 O SAVIOR, PRECIOUS SAVIOR

- 1 O Savior, precious Savior,
Whom yet unseen we love;
O name of might and favor,
All other names above,
We worship Thee, we bless Thee,
To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise Thee and confess Thee,
Our holy Lord and King.
- 2 O bringer of salvation,
Who wondrously hast wrought
Thyself the revelation
Of love beyond our thought,
We worship Thee, we bless Thee,
To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise Thee and confess Thee,
Our gracious Lord and King.

- 3 In Thee all fullness dwelleth,
All grace and pow'r divine;
The glory that excelleth,
O Son of God, is Thine.
We worship Thee, we bless Thee,
To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise Thee and confess Thee,
Our glorious Lord and King.
- 4 O grant the consummation
Of this our song above
In endless adoration
And everlasting love;
Then shall we praise and bless Thee
Where perfect praises ring,
And evermore confess Thee,
Our Savior and our King!

537 BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

- 1 Beautiful Savior,
King of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love Thee,
Truly I'd serve Thee,
Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
- 2 Fair are the meadows,
Fair are the woodlands,
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.
- 3 Fair is the sunshine,
Fair is the moonlight,
Bright the sparkling stars on high;
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels in the sky.
- 4 Beautiful Savior,
Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor,
Praise, adoration
Now and forevermore be Thine!

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- A** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

BENEDICTION

LSB 166

- A** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

525 CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS

sts. 1, 4–5

- 1 Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark how the heav’nly anthem drowns All music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless king Through all eternity.
- 4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who triumphed o’er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife For those He came to save.
His glories now we sing, Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring And lives that death may die.
- 5 Crown Him the Lord of heav’n, Enthroned in worlds above,
Crown Him the king to whom is giv’n The wondrous name of Love.
Crown Him with many crowns As thrones before Him fall;
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns, For He is king of all.

POSTLUDE “Thanksgiving Medley” (arr. Callahan)

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Thank you, Pastor Steckling, for sharing God’s word with us today.

Thank you, Pat Crum and Keith Kentala, for leading us in worship today.

Congregation at Prayer and Devotions for the Week

Invocation In the name of the Father, and of the Son ✠, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Introit (found on front page)

Catechism Review (found on front page)

Meditation: Portals of Prayer, www.lhm.org/dailydevotions, Other

Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday: Daniel 2:1-23; Revelation 18:1-24
Monday: Daniel 2:24-49; Revelation 19:1-21
Tuesday: Daniel 3:1-30; Revelation 20:1-15
Wednesday: Daniel 4:1-37; Revelation 21:1-8
Thursday: Daniel 5:1-30; Revelation 21:9-27
Friday: Daniel 6:1-28; Revelation 22:1-21
Saturday: Isaiah 1:1-28; 1 Peter 1:1-12

In Our Prayers This Week (as of Thursday morning)

Nichole, recovering from Covid
Steve, recovering from Covid
Wes, health issues
Del, health issues
Jack, ongoing health issues
Chris, ongoing health issues
Mehria in the Middle East, safety
Blake
Al, health issues
Jim, cancer
Tom, cancer
Jean, health issues
Jerry, health issues
June, health issues

Carrie, healing from a stroke
Linda, brain cancer
Mary, Jan's sister-in-law, cancer
Voss, infant recovering from an accident
Elgart, cancer
Lauren's mother
Shirley, health issues
Nancy, health issues
Berklee
Jim, Parkinson's
Steve, Guillain-Barre Syndrome
Duane, cancer
Dave, health issues
Eunice, health issues

Sidney, granddaughter of Steinke's with medical issues

For those in nursing homes, medical professionals, and those whose employment is in question.

For peace and humility to dwell in the hearts of the people of our world.

Christians and all people living in terror in the Middle East and throughout the world.

Our Savior Families: Mike & Becky, Curtis & Christine, Sean & Family, Hilda, Glenn & Penny

Hymn of the Week "Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray" LSB 663

Collect (found on front page)

Apostles' Creed, Lord's Prayer, Benediction