

November 20, 2011 *Christ the King Sunday (Last Sunday of church year)*
Paraments are green; color of life in nature signifies our spiritual life in Christ's kingdom.



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Welcome to all! This week's focus:

THAT GLORIOUS DAY OUR KING COMES TO TAKE US HOME!

Today's order of service and hymns: Lutheran Hymnal pg. 15

799 ♦ Children's Hymn ♦ 613 ♦ 611:1, 5-7 ♦ 792

Bells – Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn: #799 [Worship Supplement]

THE INVOCATION

We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Pastor: We begin our Savior's worship service in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS

We come before our Holy God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

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



Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.



Pastor: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to 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.

ALL: O most merciful God, who has 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.

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He calls them "children of God," and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.



THE INTROIT

Having received the Lord's forgiveness, we are glad to enter into His courts with praise and thanksgiving. This entrance is made in the Introit with the Lord's own Word, often a Psalm.

P: Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble:

C: Deliver me from the hand of my enemies and from them that persecute me. Let me not be ashamed, for in You I trust.

THE GLORIA PATRI

Latin for "Glory to the Father" (Hymnal, page 6)

Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE KYRIE

Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life. (Hymnal page 7 - sing)

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

"Glory to God in the highest" (Hymn 237:1)

**All glory be to God on high, Who has our race befriended!
To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended;
God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall reign on
earth again; Oh, thank Him for His goodness!**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

R: And with thy spir - it.

Pastor: Let us pray: *(The prayer of the day)*



1ST SCRIPTURE LESSON ~ DANIEL 7:13-14



The **Old Testament Lesson** presents Daniel's vision of the Son of man receiving the Kingdom from God in glory and majesty.

13 "In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence. 14 He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all peoples, nations and men of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed.

Children's Hymn: "Soon and Very Soon"

2ND SCRIPTURE LESSON ~ JOHN 18:33-37



In the **Gospel**, Jesus is on trial and speaks to Pilate of the nature of His kingdom. Jesus, in His humility, had no need for earthly glory, for He knew the glory of the eternal kingdom He had come to prepare for all who love Him.

33 Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" 34 "Is that your own idea," Jesus asked, "or did others talk to you about me?" 35 "Am I a Jew?" Pilate replied. "It was your people and your chief priests who handed you over to me. What is it you have done?" 36 Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jews. But

now my kingdom is from another place." 37 "You are a king, then!" said Pilate. Jesus answered, "You are right in saying I am a king. In fact, for this reason I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me."



CONFESSION OF FAITH ~ APOSTLES' CREED

The Apostles' Creed is a summary of Christian faith as taught by the Apostles. We boldly confess what God has taught us to believe.

I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Hymn of the Day: #613 [Red Hymnal]

SERMON read/watch sermons and services online at www.fdlutheran.org

Jesus said, "...Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!" ~Luke 11:28

John 9:4-5 "As long as it is day, we must do the work of him who sent me. Night is coming, when no one can work. **5** While I am in the world, I am the light of the world."

The difference between:

Darkness

A time to rest

Death



Light

A time to work

Life

...is our Lord Jesus Christ!

THE OFFERTORY ~ TLH PG. 22

In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence;
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation;
and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

SERMON HYMN: #611:1, 5-7 [Red Hymnal]

OUR OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS TO THE LORD

"So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver." ~ 2 Corinthians 9:7

WE GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD: [Red hymnal #441:1,2]

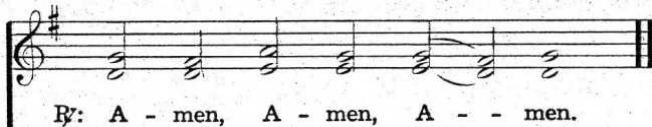
**We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
May we Thy bounties thus, As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our first-fruits give!**

SPECIAL PRAYERS ~ GENERAL PRAYER ~ LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION

The blessing given by God for the blessing of His people (Numbers 6:24-26).

L: The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.



CLOSING HYMN: #792 [Tan Supplement]

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to all! Guests, please sign our guest book in entryway and we hope you will come and join us again! Questions? (920) 922-7421

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE *"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15*

Today: 9am Study/Sunday School; 10am Communion (TLH)

Youth/Adult CHOIR– practice after service

7:30pm Chimers

Thurs: 10am Thanksgiving Worship Service

Sun: 9am Study/Sunday School; 10am Worship (WS)

Youth/Adult CHOIR– practice after service

Calendar Correction: Fall Music Festival was held Sunday, Nov. 13th

7:30pm Chimers

Coming up: Mid week Advent Series (3 weeks) beginning Nov. 30th
75's Christmas Party! ~ 1:30pm December 2nd

THE CHRISTMAS EVE PROGRAM, December 26th (Saturday, at 6pm) is coming up soon and very soon! The program's theme is entitled "The Trees of Christmas." Currently we have over 20 children planning to participate this year. In order to have the kids ready for the program, **Practices are Saturdays, December 3, 10, and 17 from 10-Noon as well as review during Sunday School at 9am.** If you haven't signed up your child yet, do it today! We look forward to this exciting tradition!

NEW LM LOGOWEAR! – In the hallway by the meeting room are several nice designs to choose from. Order forms are next to the polo shirts on stand. Simply fill out order form w/payment & give to pastor. Hurry! The order will be taken down by the end of the month!

CLC Devotional Sheep & Shepherds is available for \$12.00 plus postage. The book was written by retired CLC Pastor Dale Redlin (Mankato, MN) and the purpose of the book is to draw all of us ever closer to our Shepherd as we make our way through this world of sin. Maybe it would be a blessing to give to someone as a special gift that literally "keeps on giving." It is all to His glory!

CLC Call News: YOU ARE INVITED! Pastor Richard Kanzenbach will be installed as pastor of Peace with God Lutheran Church on Sunday, Nov. 20 at a special 3:00 p.m. service. They are located at 1103 Riders Club Road, Onalaska WI.

Witnessing idea for the week:

Lord, grant to Your servants that with all boldness we may speak Your word. (Acts 4:29)

A Witness to be Thankful for...

How often when we are talking with someone do we get the chance to express simply how blessed we are. We take so many things for granted usually and find our flesh daily against complaining and not be content with what we have been given by our loving and gracious Father in heaven!

Why be thankful?

Why not spend more time each morning when we wake up, eating breakfast, or getting ready for the day by thinking all about what my Savior has done for me? That perspective is the right start for the day. That perspective gives true light in this often very dark and depressing world. We have the light of Christ, our Savior!

Our conduct and attitude to the world expresses our thankfulness!

And why not invite all to our worship on the day of Thanksgiving?

THIS SUNDAY Usher Team 3 = Lowell Boelk, Reuel Dins, John Herzberg, Tim Johannes, Steve Seibel

Organist: Mr. Hay

NEXT SUNDAY Usher Team 4 = Wayne Wischnefski, Alan Kottke, Chris Sabel, Ron Haensgen, Mark King

Organist: Mrs. Fillmore

DID YOU KNOW? In case you missed it, President Harrison of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod reported October 27 at the ACNA-LCMS Open Forum about the relationship of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America:

“Our relationship with the ELCA is over. We meet a couple of times a year to talk about some joint interests in social ministry and that kind of thing, but relationship Higgins Road [on which the ELCA headquarters is located] to St. Louis is over. We've ended, we've ended a number of express joint work. We just can't do it any more with a good conscience.”

The article goes on...

“It's a shame that it had to come to this, but, while there are certainly faithful Lutherans in the ELCA, their corporate position is neither evangelical nor Lutheran.”

We may pause to rejoice that the Missouri Synod has finally taken a stand against the growing paganism of the ELCA church. (Saddening evidence of the ELCA's anti-christian practice is all around us):

<http://www.wnd.com/index.php?fa=PAGE.view&pageId=360365>

However, we might wonder what took the Missouri Synod so long to break their fellowship with the ELCA when the Bible states clearly in *Romans 16:17-18* “Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them. For those who are such do not serve our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly, and by smooth words and flattering speech deceive the hearts of the simple.” May our Lord redirect the hearts of Christians and all people everywhere to the simple, blessed truths of His precious Gospel, and preserve His Gospel among us also!