

LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR

November 20, 2022 – 9:30 a.m.

Prelude “Jerusalem, My Happy Home” by J. Bert Carlson
“The Day Is Surely Drawing Near” by J. S. Bach

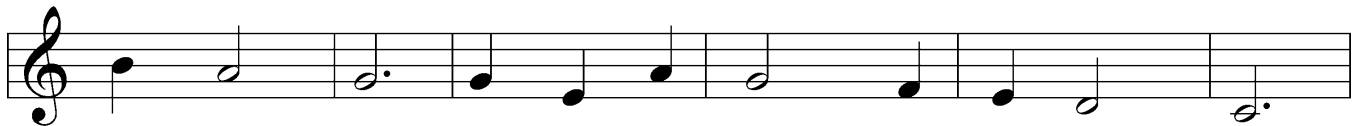
Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation: “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing”

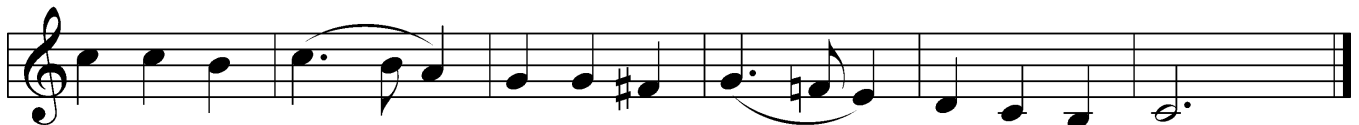
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1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; Bring flow'rs of song to
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry That love, that life which
4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, And sing to - day with



of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
strew His way; Let all the world re - joice and say:
can - not die, And sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
one ac - cord The life laid down, the life re - stored:



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
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Text: Cyril A. Alington, 1872–1955, alt.

Tune: Melchior Vulpius, c. 1570–1615

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P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our

unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 134; antiphon: Psalm 33:8

(The congregation will chant the verses in bold.)



Let all the earth | fear the LORD;*
let all the inhabitants of the world stand in | awe of him!
Come, bless the LORD, all you servants | of the LORD,*
who stand by night in the house | of the LORD!
Lift up your hands to the | holy place*
and | bless the LORD!
May the LORD bless you from | Zion,*
he who made | heaven and earth!
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
Let all the earth | fear the LORD;*
let all the inhabitants of the world stand in | awe of him!

Pew Edition

Kyrie

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C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
 2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je-sus' birth!
 O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
 For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
 You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
 Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
 In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Proper 29 (Year C)

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, You reign among us by the preaching of Your cross. Forgive Your people their offenses that we, being governed by Your bountiful goodness, may enter at last into Your eternal paradise; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

First Reading

Malachi 3:13–18

“Your words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, ‘How have we spoken against you?’ You have said, ‘It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts? And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape.’” Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name. “They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves

him. Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.”

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Bell Choir “Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone” arr. Lamb

Psalm

Psalm 46; antiphon: v. 7

(The congregation will chant the verses in bold.)



The LORD of hosts is | with us;*
the God of Jacob is our | fortress.

**God is our ref- | uge and strength,*
a very present help in | trouble.**

Therefore we will not fear though the | earth gives way,*
though the mountains be moved into the heart | of the sea,
**though its waters | roar and foam,*
though the mountains tremble at its | swelling.**

There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- | y of God,*
the holy habitation of the | Most High.

God is in the midst of her; she shall | not be moved;*
God will help her when | morning dawns.

The nations rage, the kingdoms | totter;*
he utters his voice, the | earth melts.

The LORD of hosts is | with us;*
the God of Jacob is our | fortress.

Come, behold the works | of the LORD,*
how he has brought desolations | on the earth.

He makes wars cease to the end | of the earth;*
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the chariots | with fire.

“Be still, and know that | I am God.*
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted | in the earth!”

The LORD of hosts is | with us;*
the God of Jacob is our | fortress.

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

The LORD of hosts is | with us;*
the God of Jacob is our | fortress.

Epistle

Colossians 1:13–20

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 23:27–56

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-third chapter.
- C** Glory to You, O Lord.

And there followed [Jesus] a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. But turning to them Jesus said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For behold, the days are coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!’ Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us,’ and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?” Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. And Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” And they cast lots to divide his garments. And the people stood by, watching, but the

rulers scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!” The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.” One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, “Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!” But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.” And he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” And he said to him, “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.” It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, while the sun’s light failed. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, “Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!” And having said this he breathed his last. Now when the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God, saying, “Certainly this man was innocent!” And all the crowds that had assembled for this spectacle, when they saw what had taken place, returned home beating their breasts. And all his acquaintances and the women who had followed him from Galilee stood at a distance watching these things. Now there was a man named Joseph, from the Jewish town of Arimathea. He was a member of the council, a good and righteous man, who had not consented to their decision and action; and he was looking for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down and wrapped it in a linen shroud and laid him in a tomb cut in stone, where no one had ever yet been laid. It was the day of Preparation, and the Sabbath was beginning. The women who had come with him from Galilee followed and saw the tomb and how his body was laid. Then they returned and prepared spices and ointments. On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

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 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

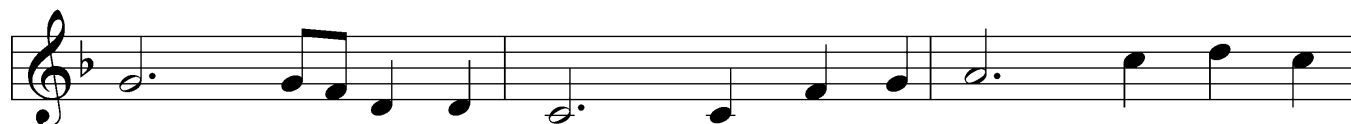
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.

Hymn of the Day: “The Tree of Life”

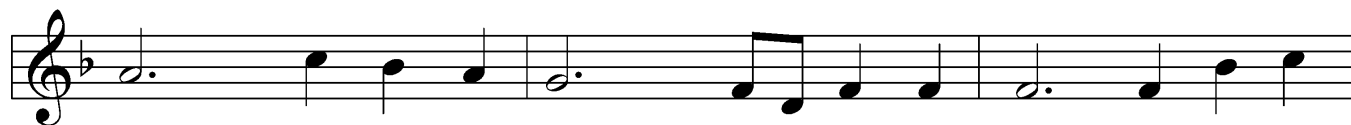
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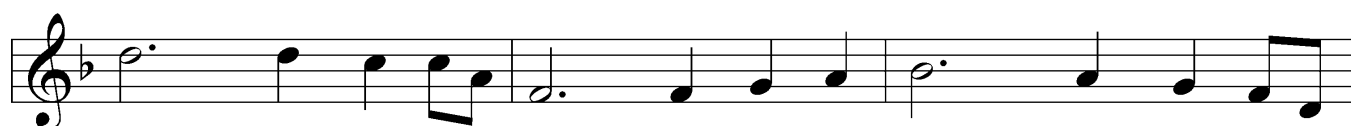
1	The	tree	of	life	with	ev - 'ry	good	In	E - den's
2	The	still - ness	of		that	sa - cred	grove	Was	bro - ken,
3	What	mer - cy	God		showed	to	our	A	plan
4	Now	from	that	tree	of	Je - sus'	shame	Flows	life



ho - ly or - chard stood, And of its fruit so pure and
 as the ser - pent strove With tempt - ing voice Eve to be -
 res - cue by His grace: In send - ing One from wom - an's
 ter - nal in His name; For all who trust and will be -



sweet God let the man and wom - an eat. Yet in this
 guile And Ad - am too by sin de - file. O day of
 seed, The One to fill our great - est need— For on a
 lieve, Sal - va - tion's liv - ing fruit re - ceive. And of this



gar - den al - so grew An - oth - er tree, of which they
 sad - ness when the breath Of fear and dark - ness, doubt and
 tree up - lift - ed high His on - ly Son for sin would
 fruit so pure and sweet The Lord in - vites the world to



knew; Its love - ly limbs with fruit a -
 death, Its aw - ful poi - son first dis -
 die, Would drink the cup of scorn and
 eat, To find with - in this cross of



dorned A - gainst whose eat - ing God had warned.
 played With - in the world so new - ly made.
 dread To crush the an - cient ser - pent's head!
 wood The tree of life with ev - 'ry good.

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Sermon “Garments and Cloths of the Crucifixion”

I. Movies and Books

II. Jesus’ G_____ (v.26-43)

- What is the theological significance of Jesus being naked on the cross?

- What are we clothed in?

III. The Temple C_____ (v.44-49)

- What was the point of the curtain?
- What does it mean that it is torn and gone?

IV. The Linen Shroud/C_____ (v.50-56)

- What was the other time He was laid in these?
- What is the importance of the cloths?

Recognition of Faithful Service

The honoree is presented before the altar. The presiding minister addresses the congregation:

Pastor: Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, with gratitude and joy we give thanks this day for Jonathan and Carrie Federwitz, who were installed as missionaries to Papua New Guinea. We praise the Lord that He has permitted Jonathan and Carrie to serve His Church faithfully and that He has sustained and supported them and blessed their service in Papua New Guinea. Let us hear the Word of the Lord.

I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. (*Philippians 1:3-8*)

Stand

The honoree may kneel.

Pastor: Let us pray. Gracious Father, through Your holy apostle You direct each person to use the gifts he has received and to serve others with the strength that You provide. We give thanks to You for the faithful service of Your servants Jonathan and Carrie Federwitz in the office of missionaries. Bless them with wisdom and patience and with love and faithfulness to Your Word, that with gladness they may continue to serve, comfort, counsel, and guide Your people on the way to life everlasting; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Lord God, merciful and gracious Father, we give thanks for all the blessings You have bestowed on our congregation, its members, and the Church through Your servants Jonathan and Carrie. By Your Word and Spirit preserve them in the one true faith. Grant them faithfulness in their new field of service and a readiness to grow in wisdom, knowledge, and skill for those they serve to the glory of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Pastor: Go in peace and joy. The almighty and most merciful God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you, and bless and strengthen you for faithful service in His name.

People: Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Offering “Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers” by Kevin Sadowsky

We offer our gifts to the Lord as we use this time in our service for contemplation and preparation for the sacrament of communion. Offerings can be placed in the plates at the back entrance doors as you leave the sanctuary.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

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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, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new 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

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C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san - na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

C 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.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

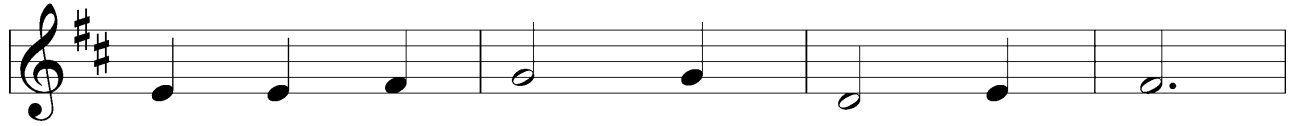
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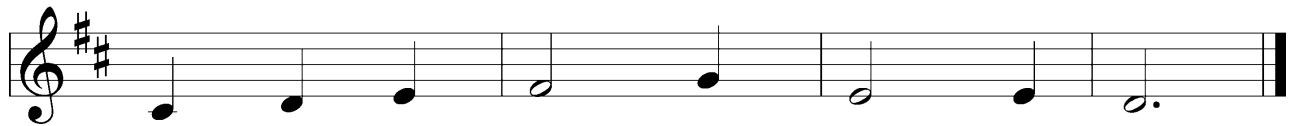
1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;
 You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
 And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

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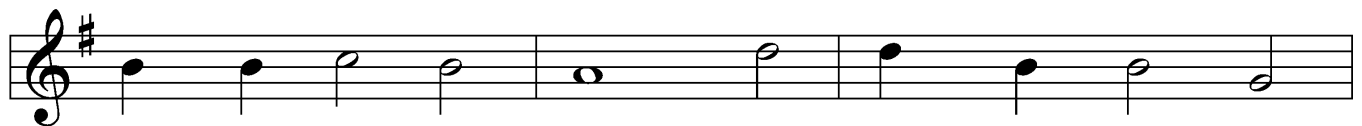
You are invited to receive the Lord's Supper if you believe and confess that Jesus Christ is your Savior from sin, you are a baptized child of the Triune God, and you believe that He gives you His body and blood in the bread and wine you receive. White grape juice can be found in the center of each tray for those who cannot receive alcohol. Children are welcome to come forward for a blessing. You may kneel, but it is not required.

Distribution Hymn: "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

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1 Oh, for a thou - sand tongues to sing My
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, As -
 3 Je - sus! The name that charms our fears, That
 4 He breaks the pow'r of can - celed sin; He



great Re - deem - er's praise, The glo - ries of my
 sist me to pro - claim, To spread through all the
 bids our sor - rows cease; 'Tis mu - sic in the
 sets the pris - 'ner free. His blood can make the



God and King, The tri - umphs of His grace!
 earth a - broad, The hon - ors of Thy name.
 sin - ner's ears, 'Tis life and health and peace.
 foul - est clean; His blood a - vails for me.

5 Look unto Him, ye nations; own
 Your God, ye fallen race.
 Look and be saved through faith alone,
 Be justified by grace.

6 See all your sins on Jesus laid;
 The Lamb of God was slain.
 His soul was once an off'ring made
 For ev'ry soul of man.

7 To God all glory, praise, and love
 Be now and ever giv'n
 By saints below and saints above,
 The Church in earth and heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–88, alt.

Tune: Carl G. Gläser, 1784–1829

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Hymn: "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

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(Choir sings verses 1 and 3.)



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence And with fear and
 2 King of kings yet born of Mar - y, As of old on
 3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en Spreads its van - guard
 4 At His feet the six - winged ser - aph, Cher - u - bim with



trem - bling stand; Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,
 earth He stood, Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture,
 on the way As the Light of Light, de - scend - ing
 sleep - less eye, Veil their fac - es to the pres - ence



For with bless - ing in His hand Christ our God to earth de -
 In the bod - y and the blood, He will give to all the
 From the realms of end - less day, Comes the pow'rs of hell to
 As with cease - less voice they cry: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



scend - ing Comes our hom - age to de - mand.
 faith - ful His own self for heav'n - ly food.
 van - quish As the dark-ness clears a - way.
 lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Text: Liturgy of St. James, 5th cent.; tr. Gerard Moultrie, 1829–85, alt.

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Nunc Dimittis

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1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All



part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the



glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;



A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
 For as in the be - gin - ning, Is



to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
 now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -



peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
 sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

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.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

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A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 212


P 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.

Hymn: "Lift High the Cross"

LSB 837


Refrain



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim Till




all the world a - dore His sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our Cap - tain trod,
2 Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
3 All new - born sol - diers of the Cru - ci - fied
4 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,

Refrain



Our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
The hosts of God in con - qu'ring ranks com - bine.
Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died.
As Thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to Thee.

5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell
Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. Refrain

6 So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory! Refrain

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Postlude “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” by John Behnke

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GENEROSITY THOUGHTS: *Colossians 1:18a* – “*And he is the head of the body, the church.*” We are part of the Body of Christ; He is our Head. Where He goes, we follow. His thoughts direct our actions. This is how the people of God learn how to give and why they give. Because Jesus gives, indeed He gives all He has.

THANKSGIVING: We will have a joint service with other LCMS churches in our area at Emmaus on Wednesday, November 23 at 7 p.m. There will be a joint choir for this special service! Please see the posters in the narthex.

HELP DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS! If you enjoy decorating for Christmas, then this event is for you! We are planning to decorate the sanctuary for Christmas at Emmaus on Saturday, December 10th, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Please sign up at the table in the church narthex. Thank you!

2023 OFFERING ENVELOPES are now available. Hard to believe that 2023 is right around the corner but here it comes. Please stop in the narthex and pick up your offering envelopes. If you did not receive envelopes and would like them, please let Nancy W, Alan M, Pam U, Pastor or Maria know. We can certainly get you a box. If you have envelopes and currently give electronically and no longer want envelopes, please let us know and we will note that for 2024. Thank you!

SALVATION ARMY CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE: We will be collecting new, unwrapped toys and gifts for kids from November 23rd through Sunday, December 11th. These toys will go to local families in need through the Salvation Army. Toys can be put in the barrel in the narthex. A Thrivent Action Grant has been received. Any Questions? Please e-mail Marie G.

MANY THANKS to all who donated coats and cold weather gear to Jehovah. The event was a huge success, as we came together to serve our neighbors in the Midway. God’s richest blessings to you as you bless others in the name of Jesus! *And the King will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you did it to me.’ Matt. 25:40 (ESV)*

LWML MITES: The total amount collected for Mites was \$214.88. Thank you to all who contributed! Watch the newsletter to see stories about the organizations receiving mites.

HEAR “THE LUTHERAN HOUR” on Sunday mornings at 6:05 a.m. on WCCO 830 AM radio. Next week’s broadcast: “Freshly Fallen Snow” Lutheran Hour Speaker: Dr. Michael Zeigler talks about fresh snow, fresh starts, and three kinds of beauty. (Isaiah 2:1-5)

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN Giving thanks and giving back: join members from Jehovah Lutheran Church the day after Thanksgiving to pack food for the needy around the world. We have 30 slots reserved on November 25 from 2:00pm to 3:45pm at the Coon Rapids location (401 93rd Ave NW, Coon Rapids, MN

55433) of Feed My Starving Children. Please let Pastor Miller know (pastorjoshuamiller@gmail.com) if you intend to participate, as names are required to reserve spots. Carpooling can be arranged.

**Responses to the King
Advent 2022**

This year, we are excited to be celebrating Advent with our brothers and sisters from Jehovah and Bethel Lutheran Churches. We will have two opportunities for midweek services:

11:30 a.m. at Emmaus Lutheran (followed by lunch)
6:30 p.m. at Jehovah Lutheran

Join us as we consider the responses of four different people to the coming of Jesus the King.

- Wednesday, November 30: “Faithful Israel Hails its King” (Joseph)
- Wednesday, December 7: “Rejoicing in the King” (Mary)
- Wednesday, December 14: “Rejecting the King vs. Departing in the King” (Herod vs. Simeon)