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Sunday, November 24, 2024 - 9:00 a.m.

GATHERING

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P Gracious God,

C have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C Amen.

GATHERING SONG: *Prepare the Royal Highway* – ELW 264 (vv. 1, 3, 4)

1 Prepare the royal highway;
the King of kings is near!
Let ev'ry hill and valley
a level road appear!
Then greet the King of glory,
foretold in sacred story:

Refrain

Hosanna to the Lord,
for he fulfills God's word!

3 Then fling the gates wide open
to greet your promised king!
Your king, yet ev'ry nation
its tribute too may bring.

All lands will bow before him;
their voices join your singing:

Refrain

4 His is no earthly kingdom;
it comes from heav'n above.
His rule is peace and freedom
and justice, truth, and love.
So let your praise be sounding
for kindness so abounding:

Refrain

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GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things to your beloved Son, whom you anointed priest forever and king of all creation: Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united under the glorious and gentle rule of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

⁹ As I watched,

thrones were set in place,
and an Ancient One took his throne,
his clothing was white as snow,
and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames,
and its wheels were burning fire.

¹⁰ A stream of fire issued
and flowed out from his presence.

A thousand thousands served him,
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.
The court sat in judgment,
and the books were opened.

¹³ As I watched in the night visions,
I saw one like a human being
coming with the clouds of heaven.

And he came to the Ancient One
and was presented before him.

¹⁴ To him was given dominion
and glory and kingship,
that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him.

His dominion is an everlasting dominion
that shall not pass away,
and his kingship is one
that shall never be destroyed.

L Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 93

¹ The LORD is king, robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and armed with strength.

The LORD has made the world so sure that it cannot be moved.

² **Ever since the world began, your throne has been established;
you are from everlasting.**

³ The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted up their voice; the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.

⁴ **Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea,
mightier is the LORD who dwells on high.**

⁵ Your testimonies are very sure,
and holiness befits your house, O LORD, forever and forevermore.

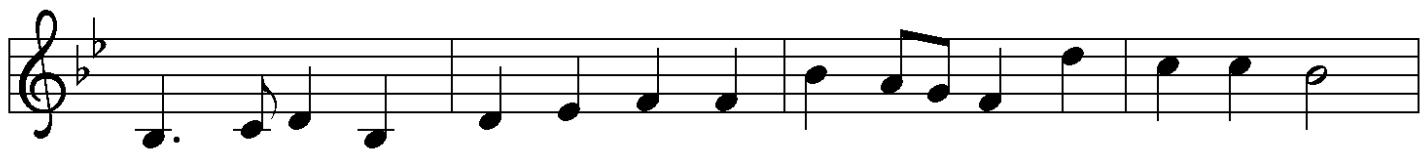
SECOND READING: Revelation 1:4b-8

^{4b} Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶ and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. ⁸ "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

L Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION - ELW p. 205



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL READING: John 18:33-37

P The Holy Gospel according to John.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

³³ Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴ Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" ³⁵ Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶ Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here."

³⁷ Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Josie Wilterdink

SERMON

Pastor Stephen

HYMN OF THE DAY: Jesus Shall Reign – ELW 434 (vv. 1, 3, 5)

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| 1 Jesus shall reign where'er the
sun
does its successive journeys run;
his kingdom stretch from shore to
shore,
till moons shall wax and wane no
more. | 5 Let ev'ry creature rise and bring
peculiar honors to our king;
angels descend with songs again,
and earth repeat the loud amen. |
| 3 People and realms of ev'ry
tongue | |

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.

APOSTLES' CREED

C **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Petitions end: "Merciful God,"; please respond "receive our prayer."

C Amen.

MEAL

OFFERING

When we give our offerings, we are witnesses to the transforming love of God. May we give as generously as we have received.

OFFERTORY: *Soon and Very Soon* – ELW 439

- 1 Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King.
Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King.
Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're going' to see the King!
- 2 No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King.
No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King.
No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!
- 3 No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King.
No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King.
No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!
- 4 Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King.
Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King.
Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

Hal-le-lu-jah, hal-le-lu-jah, hal-le-lu-jah, hal-le-lu-jah!

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Let us pray. God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION

(Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are available upon request.)

COMMUNION HYMN: *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* – ELW 490

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| <p>1 Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and with fear and trembling
stand;
ponder nothing earthly-minded,
for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth
descending
comes full homage to demand.</p> <p>2 King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords in human vesture,
in the body and the blood,
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heav'nly food.</p> | <p>3 Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way;
as the Light of light, descending
from the realms of endless day,
comes, the pow'rs of hell to
vanquish,
as the darkness clears away.</p> <p>4 At his feet the six-winged seraph,
cherubim with sleepless eye,
veil their faces to the presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry:
"Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia, Lord Most High!"</p> |
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Text: Liturgy of St. James; tr. Gerard Moultrie, 1829-1885, alt.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

SENDING

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG: *Lift High the Cross* – ELW 660

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.

- 1 Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,
our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. *Refrain*
- 2 All newborn servants of the Crucified
bear on their brows the seal of him who died. *Refrain*
- 3 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee. *Refrain*
- 4 So shall our song of triumph ever be:
praise to the Crucified for victory! *Refrain*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

P Love

C Jesus

P Grow

C Together

P Serve

C Others

P The peace of the Lord be with you all!

C And also with you!

(Please share a greeting of peace with one another.)

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 Worship Leader: Lexi Marsh
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 Altar Care: Doris Faber and Sue Faber
 Ushers/Communion Assistants: Volunteers
 Youth Director: Josie Wilterdink
 Audio Visual Specialist: Ian Wilterdink
 Communion Bread Baker: Heidi Bradshaw

Church Financials

October 2024	General Fund
Offerings	\$24,451.52
Expenses	<u>-23,143.40</u>
	\$ 1,308.12

A WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE will begin at CLC on November 24 – to include a “Mitten Tree” as well as other winter apparel – and conclude on December 26. Donations will be given to the Dunn County Jail, Stepping Stones and Wakanda Elementary School. Needed are mittens, hats, scarves, gloves, earmuffs, winter coats, snowpants, men’s shoes size 9 or larger. Please leave your

donations in the box/bins next to the purple doors.

WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

MISSION STATEMENT: “Love Jesus, Grow Together, Serve Others.”

VISION STATEMENT: “Christ Lutheran is where God’s promise of love and forgiveness is for all.”

PRAYER CONCERNS: Shirley; Kathy; Paul; Jeanna; Sonya; Steve; Sharon; Chris; Richard; Scott; Luke; Brad; Cindi; Josie; the family of Jessica Larson; Abusa (Pastor) Sinos Chimwaye and our companion congregation in Malawi (Balaka Parish); Jackie and Patrick Bencke (missionaries in Japan); all those who serve in our military and their families; and all people residing in care facilities or confined to their homes.

OUR SYMPATHY to the family and friends of Jessica Larson (Junior Larson’s daughter-in-law) who passed away November 17.

WEDNESDAY’S TABLE MENU for November 27 is full Thanksgiving dinner and pumpkin pie. The menu is also posted on Facebook. *[Menu items subject to change.]*

HELP BRING CHRISTMAS CHEER TO OUR NEIGHBORS AT ALH! This year again we are asking for monetary donations. Stacey (ALH’s new Activity Director) will do the Christmas shopping so that every resident has a present to open on Christmas morning. Please send or drop off your monetary donations no later than December 11 at the church, making checks payable to the church and indicating that the donation is for ALH gifts.

AMERICAN LUTHERAN HOME “WISH LIST” Our neighbors next door are looking for a few items to help with projects they are working on: lace, colored paper, (copy paper or scrap book paper), greeting cards. Any donations may be dropped off in the church office.

YOU CAN HELP decorate the Sanctuary for Christmas. Just stay after the service on November 24. Many hands make light work!

POINSETTIA ORDER FORMS are available on the table in the Narthex – cost is \$10 each and deadline for orders is Sunday, December 8.

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