

Last Sunday of the Church Year



Christ the King Sunday



"I rejoiced with those who said to me, Let us go to the house of the LORD."" Psalm 122:1



Today's 8:00 service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament. Individuals taking communion will not be visible in the recording.

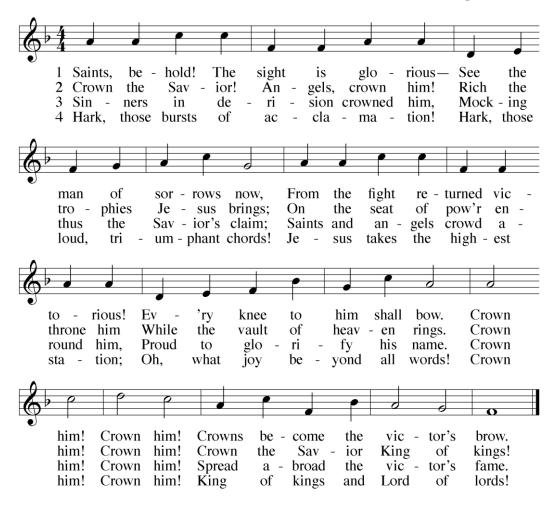
Lord of Love Lutheran Church

November 26, 2023

THE COMMON SERVICE

OPENING HYMN (CW 216)

Saints, Behold! The Sight Is Glorious



Text: Thomas Kelly, 1769-1855, alt.

Tune: CORONAE (87 87 47) William H. Monk, 1823-89.

STAND

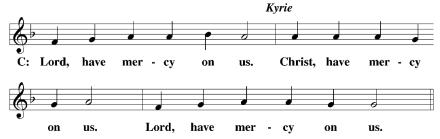
M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



CONFESSION OF SINS

- M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

LORD, HAVE MERCY



M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, by your victory you have broken the power of the evil one. Fill our hearts with joy and peace as we look with hope to that day when every creature in heaven and earth will acclaim you King of kings and Lord of lords to your unending praise and glory; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 23-24

¹¹ For this is what the LORD God says. Here I am. I myself will seek the welfare of my flock and carefully search for them. ¹² As a shepherd searches for his flock when his sheep that were with him have been scattered, so I will search for my flock and rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³ I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries and bring them to their own soil. I will shepherd them on the mountains of Israel, in the valleys, and in all the settlements of the land. ¹⁴ I will lead them into good pasture, and their grazing land will be on the high mountains of Israel. There they will lie down in good grazing land, and they will pasture on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵ I myself will shepherd my flock. I myself will let them lie down, declares the LORD God. ¹⁶ I will seek the lost. I will bring back the strays. I will bind up the injured. I will strengthen the weak. I will destroy the fat and the strong, and I will shepherd them with justice.

²³ Then I will raise up over them one shepherd, and he will tend them. My servant David will tend them, and he will be their shepherd. ²⁴ I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David will be the prince among them. I, the LORD, have spoken.

SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:20-28

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹ For since death came by a man, the resurrection of the dead also is going to come by a man. ²² For as in Adam they all die, so also in Christ they all will be made alive. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ as the firstfruits and then Christ's people, at his coming. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has done away with every other ruler and every other authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign "until he has put all his enemies under his feet." ²⁶ Death is the last enemy to be done away with. ²⁷ Certainly, "he has put all things in subjection under his feet." Now when it says that all things have been put in subjection, obviously

that does not include the one who subjected all things to him. ²⁸ But when all things have been subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who subjected all things to him, in order that God may be all in all.

STAND

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God. begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children are invited to come forward for a brief children's message.

HYMN (CW 217)	The Head that Once Was Crowned
1 The head that once was 2 The high - est place that 3 The joy of all who 4 To them the cross, with 5 They suf - fer with their	crowned with thorns Is heav'n af - fords Is dwell a - bove, The all its shame, With Lord be - low; They
crowned with glo - ry now; his, is his by right, joy of all be - low	A roy - al di - a - The King of kings and To whom he man - i -
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dem a - dorns The might - y Lord of lords And heav'n's e fests his love And grants hi last - ing name; Their joy, th joy, to know The myst - 'r	e joy of heav'n.
6 The cross he bore is life a Though shame and death His people's hope, his pe Their everlasting theme.	to him;

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Text: Thomas Kelly, 1769–1855. Tune: ST. MAGNUS (CM) Jeremiah Clarke, c. 1674–1707.

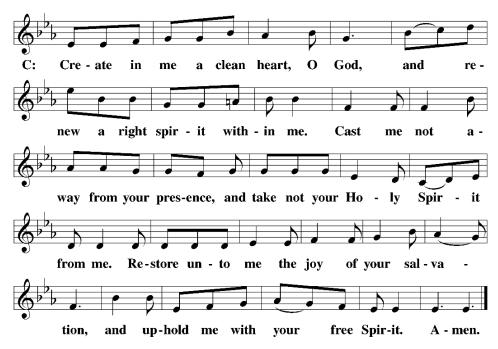
SERMON

²⁷ Then the governor's soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole cohort of soldiers around him. ²⁸ They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him. ²⁹ They twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand, knelt in front of him, and mocked him by saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" ³⁰ They spit on him, took the staff, and hit him repeatedly on his head. After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

"Hail, King Jesus!"

STAND

After the sermon, the congregation sings:



OFFERING IS GATHERED AND BROUGHT FORWARD

While the offering is being collected, please sign and pass the Friendship Register. Thank you.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

For the people of God's pasture, gathered from all nations, that they may gladly feast upon his riches in the Means of Grace and declare his praises to all who will hear, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For God's pastors, that through their service in his Word, our Good Shepherd would be pleased continually to seek the lost, bring back the strayed, bind up the injured and strengthen the weak, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For our homes, that the Holy Spirit would bless parents to train their children with wisdom and love; and that as the Son gladly subjects himself to the Father, so God would bless children to gladly submit to their parents, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those in civil authority, that God would sustain them in their governance until, on the Last Day, this world's powers pass away, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all in need of help and healing, *[including ______,]* that God would preserve them, deliver them from their transgressions, and give them his peace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who commune this day, that the God of all grace would endow his people with penitent hearts to receive the risen Christ's body and blood, and with him the hope of the resurrection from death to eternal life, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Almighty God, you have prepared your kingdom for us from the foundation of the world. Preserve us in faith and love throughout our days, and make each one of us an ambassador of your peace to our neighbor; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

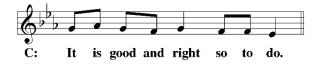
M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



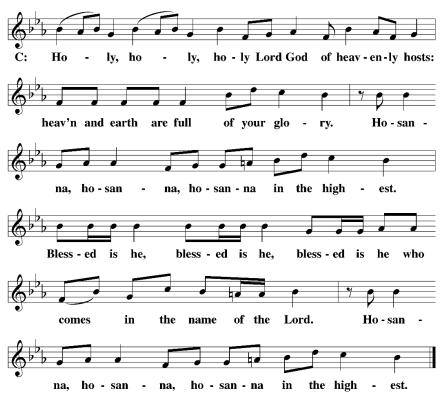
M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who preserves his Church to the end of time when he will come again as king to judge all people and take his own to glory.

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

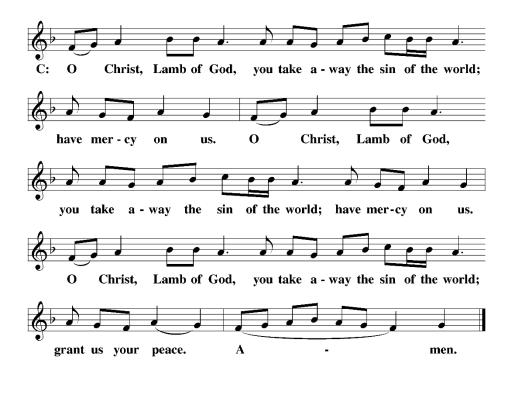
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



Sanctus

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD



BE SEATED

DISTRIBUTION

In accordance with the Scriptural practice of closed Communion, we invite to the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood the communicant members of this congregation. We invite also the communicant members of our sister congregations in our fellowship (the WELS and the ELS) who have made their intention known to our pastor. We ask other guests in attendance to refrain from taking the Sacrament with us today, and we invite you to speak with our pastor about how you may join our fellowship and commune with us in the future. **DISTRIBUTION HYMN** (CW 370)



Text: Edward Perronet, 1726–92, st. 1-3, abr., alt.; *A Selection of Hymns*, London, 1787, st. 4-5, alt. Tune: CORONATION (86 86 86) Oliver Holden, 1765–1844.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 375)



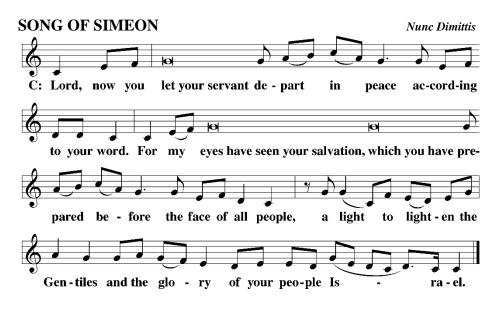
Your goodness fails me never. Good Shepherd, may I sing your praise Within your house forever!

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821–77, alt.

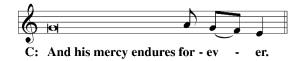
Tune: ST. COLUMBA (87 87 Iambic) Irish melody, c. 18th century, alt.

THANKSGIVING

STAND



M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



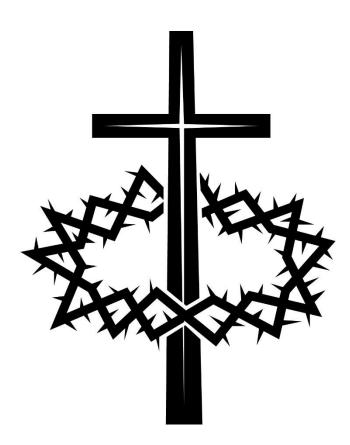
M: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



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CLOSING HYMN (CW 341)

Crown Him with Many Crowns (see page 19)



Crown Him with Many Crowns



Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800–94, st. 1-2, 4, abr., alt.; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 3. Tune: DIADEMATA (SM D) George J. Elvey, 1816–93.

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Personal Prayers for Worship

Before Communion:

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

After Communion:

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

Gluten Free communion wafers: Gluten free communion wafers are available each Sunday during the Lord's Supper. They are placed on the baptismal font at the start of communion. If you would prefer this wafer, please pick it up as you approach the altar.

Bible Studies this week Sunday 9:15 am: "Angels are Making Their Rounds", sanctuary

Tuesday 9:00 am: Gospel of John, downstairs

Friday 6:00 am: Matthew

Breakfast 6:00, Bible study 6:45. DeForest Family Restaurant (505 W. North Street, DeForest)

WELS Mission – Madison

Many of you are aware of the efforts to begin a new WELS mission in Dane County. At its meeting this past week, the church council voted to designate \$1300 from our Mission Fund to go towards the funding of this new effort. It was also decided to gather special gifts/offerings for the remainder of this year from any who would like to support the new mission. You may recall that the "ask" from the board overseeing the start of this new mission is \$4000 from each of the Dane county WELS



congregations. Our hope is to raise \$4000 to send them in the early part of 2024, and then include a recurring, annual amount of \$4000 in our budget, beginning fiscal year '24/'25. Special gifts may be placed in the alms box in the narthex. Checks should be made out to Lord of Love Lutheran.

Christmas Gift Wrapping Service - Peace Lutheran 8th Grade Fundraiser

Do you ever find yourself up ALL night a few days before Christmas trying to wrap the MANY presents you have purchased for your friends and family? Why not save yourself some time while supporting the Peace Lutheran Eighth Grade as they raise funds for their annual end of year field trip?

Members of the Peace Eighth Grade class will be stationed in the fellowship area between services on **Sunday, December 3,** and **Sunday, December 10** from **9:00** -**10:15 AM** ready to wrap any and ALL gifts for you! Drop off your gifts to be wrapped and feel free to stay for Bible Study! You can pick up your wrapped gifts prior to the 10:30 AM service. There will be a free-will donation box available at the gift wrap table if you'd like to support the eighth graders in raising funds for their trip!

Advent by Candlelight – Zion Lutheran Leeds. Dec. 3 at 3:00 pm.

All ladies are invited to attend the Advent by Candlelight service at our sister congregation up the road. The theme is *Follow the Star*. To attend, sign up at church so we can let them know how many to expect. Zion is at W6906 Co. Rd. K, Arlington, WI.

Provide Meals: A Meal Train has been organized to provide meals for Jeff & Noelle Kirsch as Jeff recovers from recent surgery. If you would like to provide a meal, see the activity sheet for more information or go to: <u>https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/1e97nq</u>.

Sunday November 26: Christ the King Sunday Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 am with Holy Communion 9:15 am: Adult Bible study, Teen class and Sunday school

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilman/Elder: 8:00 Dave Olson, 10:30 Mitch Myhre
- Ushers 8:00: Bob Degnan, Gene Freund, Kayden Zech and Kourtney Zech
- Ushers 10:30: The Holzman Family
- Counters: Roger LaGrange and Greg Zeman
- Altar Guild: Sandy Heath and Sally Kaalberg
- A/V & Recording: Julie Doyle
- Refreshments: Gene & Sharon Freund

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- Counters: Kim Bauer and Wayne Kaalberg
- Altar Guild: Colleen Biwer, Kristin Huebner and Sophia Strong
- A/V & Recording: Jen Olson
- Refreshments: Volunteers needed

Happy Birthday: We wish God's blessings to Dave Natysin (11/26), Rachel Lecy (11/28), John Schueman (11/29), Ryan Jaeger (11/30), Carol Pederson (11/30) and Brittani Olson (12/1) who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Anniversary: We wish God's blessings to Pam & Roger Timm (11/27) and Jack & Julie Doyle (11/29) who celebrate their wedding anniversaries this week.

In Our Prayers: Fred Bakken, Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund, Peg Schroeder and Steve Tobison who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Shannon & Matthew Garrett and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).

Looking ahead:

- Nov. 26: Winter clothing collection ends for Prison Ministry in Madison.
- Dec. 2, 9, & 16: Children's Christmas service practice, 9:00 10:00 am
- Dec. 3: Christmas Gift Wrapping, between services by Peace Luth. students.
- Dec. 3: Advent by Candlelight at Zion Lutheran, Leeds. 3:00 4:30 pm. *All ladies are invited.*
- Dec. 6: Giving Tree gifts are due to church.
- Dec. 10: Christmas Gift Wrapping, between services by Peace Luth. students.
- Dec. 10: WELS Wind Ensemble Christmas Concert, Fall River High School, 2 pm
- Dec. 11: Ladies Christmas Outing, 6:00 pm Rodeside Grill, Windsor
- Dec. 12: Christmas in the Dells Dinner Show, 2:00 pm. Lunch 1:15 pm. Leave church parking lot at 12:00 noon.
- Dec. 20: Children's Christmas Service, 6:30 pm
- Dec. 24: Regular Sunday morning worship times, 8:00 & 10:30 am
- Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Worship, 6:30 pm
- Dec. 25: Christmas Day Worship, 9:00 am
- Dec. 31: Sunday Worship 8:00 & 10:30 am. No evening worship service.
- Jan. 11, 2024: Red Cross Blood Drive at Lord of Love, 12:00 5:00 pm
- Jan. 27: Euchre Card night