



The Last Sunday of the Church Year
November 20, A+D 2022



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DIVINE SERVICE

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Lutheran Service Book

Jesus Christ Reigns, Enduring the Cross — Its Scorn and Shame

The Lord Jesus reigns in love among those who are baptized in His name. “They shall be mine,” He says, “and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him” (Mal. 3:17). Jesus’ service through crucifixion for sinful men anchors us in new life. In the proclamation of His Son, God makes His justice clear, defining “the distinction between the righteous and the wicked” (Mal. 3:18). He truly is “the King of the Jews” (Luke 23:38), who governs His Church with all authority in heaven and on earth. He has come into His kingdom by His cross, and He graciously remembers us in paradise. Therefore, do not weep for Him, but with repentant faith “weep for yourselves and for your children” (Luke 23:28). Then the mountains and hills of Jerusalem, His holy Church, shall cover you with His righteousness and peace. For He “is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation” (Col. 1:15). “All things were created through him and for him” (Col. 1:16), and “all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell” bodily in Him, reconciling all things to Himself “by the blood of his cross” (Col. 1:19–20).

Ringing of the Bells

Welcome

Confession and Absolution

527 O Savior, Precious Savior

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

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

Exhortation

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- 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.

Confession of Sins

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

Absolution

LSB 203

- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

Stand

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 134; antiphon: Psalm 33:8

- P** Let all the earth fear the LORD;
C **let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!**
P Come, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD,
C **who stand by night in the house of the LORD!**
P Lift up your hands to the holy place
C **and bless the LORD!**
P May the LORD bless you from Zion,
C **he who made heaven and earth!**
C **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.**
P Let all the earth fear the LORD;
C **let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!**

Kyrie

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

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204



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

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.**

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Malachi 3:13–18

A The Old Testament Reading for The Last Sunday of the Church Year is from the third chapter of the prophecy of Malachi.

¹³"Your words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, 'How have we spoken against you?' ¹⁴You 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? ¹⁵And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape.'"

¹⁶Then 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. ¹⁷"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. ¹⁸Then 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.

Epistle

Colossians 1:13–20

A The Second Reading is from the first chapter of the Epistle of St. Paul to the Colossians.

¹³He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

¹⁶For 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. ¹⁷And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸And 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. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and 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.

Stand


Alleluia and Verse

Alleluia*LSB 205*


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

Verse*LSB 205*


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



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

Alleluia*LSB 205*


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

Holy Gospel*Luke 23:27–43*

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

²⁷And there followed [Jesus] a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. ²⁸But turning to them Jesus said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹For 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!' ³⁰Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us,' and to the hills, 'Cover us.' ³¹For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

³²Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³And 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. ³⁴And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. ³⁵And 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!"
³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine
³⁷and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸There
 was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are
 you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him,
 saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of
 condemnation?" ⁴¹And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due
 reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²And he
 said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³And
 he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in
 Paradise."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

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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.

Sit

610 Lord Jesus, Think on Me

Sermon

Gathering of Tithes & Offerings

*If you are submitting a prayer request on a prayer card, kindly hand it
 directly to the usher. Do not place it into the offering plate.*

Musical Offering

Stand

892 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come



1 Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come; Raise the song of har - vest home.
 2 All the world is God's own field, Fruit un - to His praise to yield;
 3 For the Lord, our God, shall come And shall take His har - vest home,
 4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come To Thy fi - nal har - vest home;



All be safe - ly gath - ered in Ere the win - ter storms be - gin;
 Wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, Un - to joy or sor - row grown.
 From His field shall in that day All of - fens - es purge a - way,
 Gath - er Thou Thy peo - ple in, Free from sor - row, free from sin,



God, our mak - er, doth pro - vide For our wants to be sup - plied.
 First the blade and then the ear, Then the full corn shall ap - pear.
 Give His an - gels charge at last In the fire the tares to cast,
 There, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, In Thy gar - ner to a - bide:



Come to God's own tem - ple, come; Raise the song of har - vest home.
 Lord of har - vest, grant that we Whole - some grain and pure may be.
 But the fruit - ful ears to store In His gar - ner ev - er - more.
 Come with all Thine an - gels, come, Raise the glo - rious har - vest home.

Text: Henry Alford, 1810–71, alt.
 Tune: George J. Elvey, 1816–93
 Text and tune: Public domain

Prayer of the Church

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- P** ... Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

Service of the Sacrament

Stand

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

LSB 208



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;



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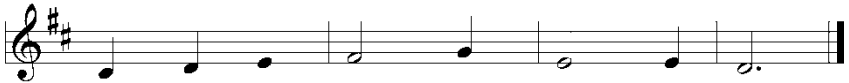
C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



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

Sit

Distribution of Christ's Body and Blood

Members of other Christian denominations who are present may come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor during the distribution. It is requested that you cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you desire this blessing.

Silent Prayer Just Before Communing: Dear Savior, at your gracious invitation, I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Silent Prayer Just After Communing: Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament. I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace the forgiveness of sins unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

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Stand

The Communion Dismissal

The Dismissal

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace.

C Amen.

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

LSB 212

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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.

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Silent Prayer

Announcements

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The Glad Spirit St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

ST. PAUL'S FAMILY

Jennifer Shadley , Melanie, Michael
Lisa Sheridan, Family Bailey, Connor
David Sinise, Family Zachary, Chance
Brian Smith, Family Ethan
William Sommer

BIRTHDAYS

Nicholas Carr, 11/21
Debra Brandy, 11/24
Judy Diekelman, 11/24

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES

Daniel Zander, 11/23

CONFIRMATION ANNIVERSARIES

Sharon Zander, 11/24

SPECIAL CONCERNS

Pray for Diane Akers, Janice Abel, Violet Andersen, Russ Budde, Sondra Budde, Jay Carey, Judy Diekleman, Sandy Ovalle, Violet Rich, Lois Struven, Dolly Tagenhorst, Esther Turner, Dorothy Van Mynen, Warren Van Mynen and Gene Wiltjer.

Serving in the Military – Austin Brandy, David Capodagli, James Fluechtling, Nathan Lopez, and Robert Wisely.

Serving as First Responders – David Allen, Dave Bloom, Nathan Conway, Brianne Giba, Melanie Hudson, Brian Orth, Dana Tatgenhorst, Taylor VanDommelen and Dan Zander.

NEWS UPDATE



A Son Is Given

In *A Son Is Given*, we look at the promise of God to send His Messiah as fulfilled in Jesus. The Heavenly Father made good on His ancient pledge. In Jesus we have the love of God come to earth in the form of a Child, who is for us the Savior of the world.

Daily Devotions from LHM will help strengthen and encourage your faith as you do the same for others. Have them delivered right to your inbox, podcast the audio devotional, access them on your mobile device through the FREE app, or listen with Spotify, iHeart Radio, Alexa, or Google Home. Visit <https://www.lhm.org/advent/>



There is a discussion group on Facebook about LHM's "A Son Is Given" Advent Devotions Beginning November 27. Each day's devotion will be posted to the group. You can make a comment or a thought for discussion on one of the posts. To search on Facebook the group is called Let's Discuss the Devotions or enter the following in your favorite browser www.facebook.com/groups/st.paul.discuss/



St. Paul Book Club will meet Wednesday December 7, to review *An Amish Family Christmas: A Charmed Amish Life Christmas Novel* by Shelley Shepard Gray. We usually meet at 10am on the second Wednesday of the month and always welcome new members. We also order lunch for after the meeting. Book Club is now in person and thru FB chat. Please let Deb know in advance so she can link you in.

Christ For You this week on KFUE.org: Blessed Thanksgiving! Study Exodus 10-13 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), study the 3rd Article of the Creed on Concord Matters (11/26 at 10:00 a.m. CT), and dive into a curious theological topic with Rev. Tyrel Bramwell on Cross Defense (11/26 at 11:00 a.m. CT). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUE Radio app!

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and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can listen to weekly studies of the Biblical texts, prayers and hymns of the day. Pastor Sean Daenzer of LCMS Worship will lead us through the three-year lectionary. Pastor Peter Bender of the Concordia Catechetical Academy will lead us through the one-year lectionary. You can listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

“In the Christian calendar, secular time is swallowed up in Sacred Time, which is a foreshadowing of the eternal Day of the Lord, when all that we have foolishly sought after and worried about will vanish as will the night vanish on the dawning of the Lord’s Day. Rejoice, the Lord is near.” James M. Kushiner, executive director, Fellowship of St. James – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org



TO SHOW YOU HOW MY LUCK IS GOING,
WHEN I CALLED DIAL-A-PRAYER I GOT THEIR
ANSWERING SERVICE.

GOD'S PEOPLE IN ACTION

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS



November 13th Attendance 24, 17 Communed

Basket	\$91.00	Weekly Missions	\$40.00
Envelopes	1,150.00	Luth. Church Charity	20.00
Organist		Church Maint	10.00
		Social Ministry	450.00
		Online Food Donat.	350.00
Budgeted Total	1,241.00	Non-budgeted Total	\$870.00
Offering Needed	1,640.00		
Short	\$-399.00		



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today

8:45 am Worship Service
 10:00 am Coffee &...
 10:00 am Sunday School
 4:00 pm Thanksgiving Worship Service
 5:00 pm Thanksgiving Dinner

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

8:45 am Worship Service
 10:00 am Coffee &...

SERVANT SCHEDULE

	Sun, Nov 20, 8:45 AM	Sun, Nov 27, 8:45 AM
Pastor	Pastor Dobberstein	Pastor Fluechtling
Usher	Bill Sommer	Dave Bloom
	Norma Allen	
Lay Reader	Sandi Bodza	Nathaniel Macnamara

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FOOD PANTRY



GENERAL FUND