THE LAST SUNDAY IN THE CHURCH YEAR

Sunday 26 November A+D 2023



OUR SAVIOR

EVANGELICAL JUTHERAN CHURCH

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—Missouri Synod

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PLEASE SILENCE YOUR PHONE BEFORE SERVICE BEGINS.

Visitors, welcome to Our Savior! Please take a moment to sign our guestbook on the stand in the narthex before you leave. We follow a traditional Lutheran order of service, which is based on Holy Scripture and historical practice. The order of service in this bulletin is taken from Lutheran Service Book (LSB) Divine Service Setting Three. Please feel free to ask any member of the congregation for help if this is new to you.

Wooden kneeling stools are available to all for use during the Preparation, Consecration, and Benediction. If you would like one, please take it from underneath the last row of chairs on the pulpit side of the nave before service. You may tuck it under the pew in front of you while not in use and may leave it there after the service.

This morning we will celebrate Holy Communion

Visitors who have not before received communion from Pastor McCall are kindly asked to speak with him before Divine Service begins and before approaching the altar for the first time. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar and because those who eat and drink our Lord's Body and Blood unworthily do so to their great harm, it is very important to speak with pastor before service if you desire the Blessed Sacrament. Also, those who receive the Lord's Supper at Our Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church are baptized Christians who have been instructed in and publicly confess the Evangelical Lutheran faith. For these reasons, only members of this congregation or sister congregations of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod receive Holy Communion at this altar. If you have any questions regarding the doctrine and practice of Closed Communion, please talk to the pastor before or after the Divine Service.

4 THE DIVINE SERVICE 4

10:30am

THE PRELUDE

The bell tolls three times to signify the beginning of service in reverence of the Holy Trinity. After the tolls, the Processional Hymn will begin.

Please STAND and face the Procession as it passes.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 663 Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray

♣ THE PREPARATION **♣**

In the name of the Father and of the \(\mathbf{H}\) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

St. Matthew 28:19B; [18:20]

Amen.

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

[HEBREWS 10:22]

KNEEL IF YOU DESIRE AND ARE ABLE

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

PSALM 124:8

I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD, and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

PSALM 32:5

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination. The pastor will resume...

O almighty God, merciful Father, I a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the \maltese Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen. [St. John 20:19–23]

STAND

*THE SERVICE OF THE WORD *

THE INTROIT

JEREMIAH 29:11-12, 14; PSALM 85: 1, 7, 9, 11



|I know| the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the / LÔRD, thoughts of peace, and / not of evil.

Then shall ye call upon me and pray / unto me, and I will / hearken unto you.

And I will turn your captivity and / gather you from all the nations and from / all the places.

LORD, thou hast been favourable unto thy / lând: thou hast brought back the captivi- / ty of Jacob.

Shew us thy mercy, O / Lôrd, and grant us / thy salvation.

Surely his salvation is nigh them that / fear him; that glory may dwell / in our land.—

Truth shall spring out of the / êarth; and righteousness shall look / down from heaven.

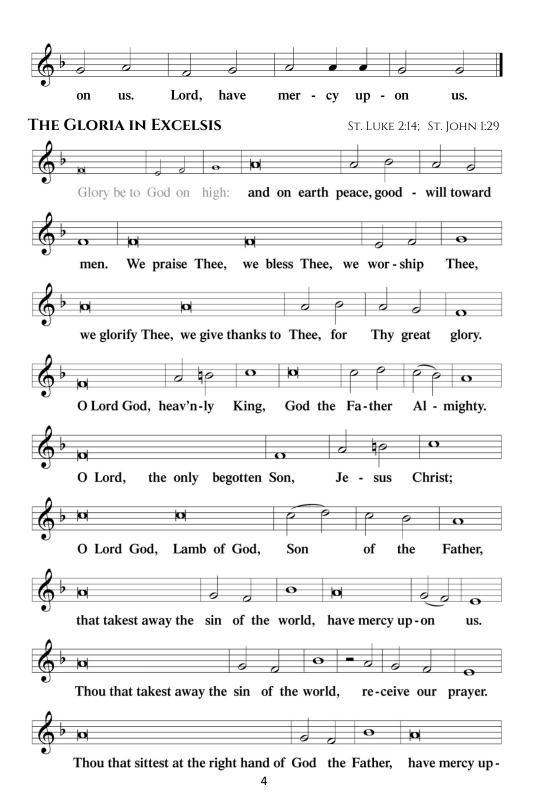
Glory be to the Father and / to the Son and to the / Holy Spirit; as it was in the be- / ginning, is now and will be for- / ever. Amen.

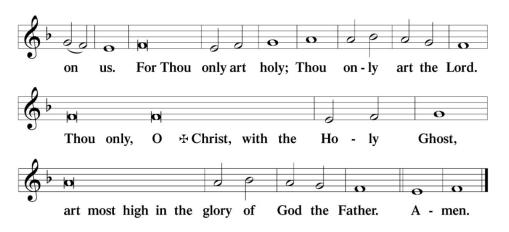
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THE SALUTATION

2 TIMOTHY 4:22

The Lord be with you.



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that, from the bonds of our sins which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



SIT

THE OLD TESTAMENT

ISAIAH 65:17-25

Thus says the LORD God: "Behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; and the former shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem as a rejoicing, and her people a joy. I will rejoice

in Jerusalem, and joy in My people; the voice of weeping shall no longer be heard in her, nor the voice of crying. No more shall an infant from there live but a few days, nor an old man who has not fulfilled his days; for the child shall die one hundred years old, but the sinner being one hundred years old shall be accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for as the days of a tree, so shall be the days of My people, and My elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain, nor bring forth children for trouble; for they shall be the descendants of the blessed of the LORD, and their offspring with them. It shall come to pass that before they call, I will answer; and while they are still speaking, I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain," says the LORD Almighty.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL

PSALM 45:14-15



The king's daughter shall be brought unto the / king: the virgins her companions that follow her shall be brought / unto thee.—

With gladness and rejoicing shall / they be brought: they shall enter into / the king's palace.

THE EPISTLE

1 Thessalonians 5:1–11

Brethren: Concerning the times and the seasons, you have no need that I should write to you. For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. For when they say, "Peace and safety!" then sudden destruction comes

upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape. But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief. You are all sons of light and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. Therefore let us not sleep, as others do, but let us watch and be sober. For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night. But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation. For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him. Therefore comfort each other and edify one another, just as you also are doing.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

STAND

THE ALLELUIA VERSE

REVELATION 21:2



Alle- / luia!

- / Alleluia!

I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of / heaven,

prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. / Alleluia!

THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. Matthew 25:1–13

The Lord be with you.



6

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty- fifth chapter.



At that time Jesus spoke this parable to His disciples: "The kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Now five of them were wise, and five were foolish. Those who were foolish took their lamps and took no oil with them, but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. But while the bridegroom was delayed, they all slumbered and slept. And at midnight a cry was heard: 'Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!' Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise answered, saying, 'No, lest there should not be enough for us and you; but go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.' And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; and the door was shut. Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us!' But he answered and said, 'Assuredly, I say to you, I do not know you.' Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.





THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the \pm life of the world to come. Amen.

SIT

THE HYMN OF THE DAY 516 Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying

THE SERMON

STAND

THE OFFERTORY

PSALM 51:10-12





SIT

THE OFFERING

Agnus Dei - II

STAND

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

[1 TIMOTHY 2:1-4]

- please read the announcements and prayer list details on bulletin insert After each bid: Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

At the conclusion: O Lord, ... one God, now and forever. Amen.



THE SERVICE OF *THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR *

THE PREFACE

The Lord be with you.

2 TIMOTHY 4:22



Lift up your hearts.

[Colossians 3:1]



Let us give thanks unto the LORD our God.

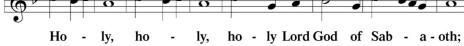
[PSALM 136]



It is truly meet, right, and salutary... praising You and saying:



ISAIAH 6:3: ST. MATTHEW 21:9





heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. # Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

KNEEL IF YOU DESIRE AND ARE ABLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ST. MATTHEW 6:9-13

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 CHRIST'S TESTAMENT ST. MATTHEW 26:26–28; ST. MARK 14:22–24; ST. LUKE 22:19–20; 1 CORINTHIANS 11:23–25

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.

THE PAX DOMINI

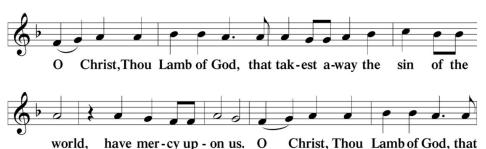
St. John 20:19

The # peace of the Lord be with you always.



THE AGNUS DEI

St. John 1:29







O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



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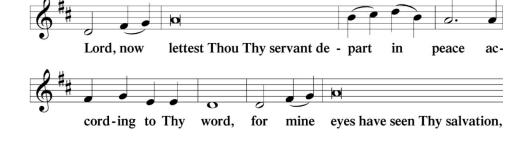
THE COMMUNION HYMNS

673 Jerusalem, My Happy Home
514 The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us
655 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word
901 Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

STAND

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

ST. LUKE 2:29-32





The Lord be with you.



THE BENEDICAMUS

[PSALM 103:1]

Bless we the LORD.



KNEEL IF YOU DESIRE AND ARE ABLE

THE BENEDICTION

NUMBERS 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

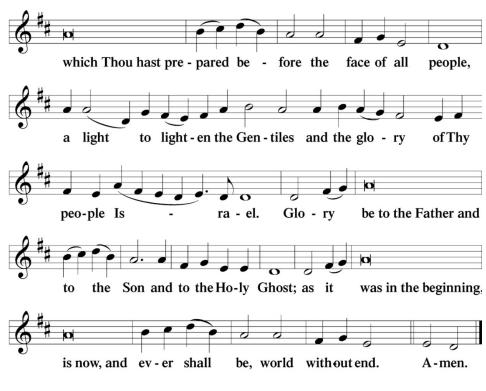
The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and 4 give you peace.



THE RETIRING PROCESSION WITH POSTLUDE

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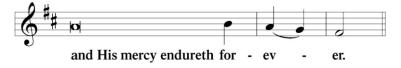
Once the Procession reaches the narthex, you may depart in # peace.



THE THANKSGIVING

PSALM 107:1

Oh, give thanks unto the LORD for He is good.



Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift; and we beseech 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.

