

November 17, 2024 26th Sunday after Pentecost Peace Lutheran Church Hutchinson, Minnesota

8:30am Prelude: We Gather Together, arr. Lunker/McFadden; Hosanna Handbells

6:30pm, 8:30am HYMN 905 (Maroon): Come Thou Almighty King 10:30am SONG: Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP - Psalm 16
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

¹ Keep me safe, my God, for in you I take refuge.

²I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord; apart from you I have no good thing."

³ I say of the holy people who are in the land,
 "They are the noble ones in whom is all my delight."
 ⁴ Those who run after other gods will suffer more and more.
 I will not pour out libations of blood to such gods or take up their names on my lips.

⁵ LORD, you alone are my portion and my cup; you make my lot secure.

⁶The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely I have a delightful inheritance.

⁷ I will praise the LORD, who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me.

⁸I keep my eyes always on the LORD. With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

⁹Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure,

¹⁰ because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, nor will you let your faithful one see decay.

11 You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand. (NIV) This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

CONFESSION

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Christ, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, And for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Christ, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ is coming again and coming soon. Although we know this, although we have heard His words and warning, we have not always acted as though Christ were coming soon. At times we have grown complacent and lazy, focused on the things of this world rather than on Christ, His Word, and His salvation. As we gather together in the Lord's house, let us consider our failure to live according to His holiness.

Silence for reflection.

Heavenly Father, we have not always lived according to Your Word. We have fallen asleep in the comfort of our sins. We have not stayed awake and remained prepared for the return of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Forgive us, renew us, and stir us, so that we might prepare ourselves and others for Christ's return.

Because of Jesus Christ's death and resurrection, you are presented blameless before the presence of God. As a called and ordained servant of the risen 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. **Amen.**

6:30pm & 8:30am HYMN OF PRAISESung to the tune Hymn to Joy

Look, the Table's spread before us, Foretaste of the feast to come. Christ, the Lamb of God, victorious, Has for us salvation won! Join the hymn of all creation, By His blood we are set free. Saints of ev'ry tribe and nation, Celebrate His jubilee!

Power, riches, honor, glory, Be to God and to the Lamb. His the vict'ry, His the story, Praise and thank the Great I AM. Alleluia! Alleluia! Bless the Lord of earth and heav'n. Alleluia! Alleluia! Life restored and sins forgiven!

10:30am SONG: His Mercy Is More



OLD TESTAMENT READING: Daniel 12:1-3

"At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. ² And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³ And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever. (ESV)

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Hebrews 10:19-25

¹⁹ Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. (ESV)

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

▲ GOSPEL ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. (repeat) The stone which the builders rejected, has become the cornerstone. The stone which the builders rejected, has become the cornerstone. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia. (repeat)

▲ 10:30am SONG: King of Kings

GOSPEL READING: Mark 13:1-13

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 13th chapter. Glory to You, O Lord.

And as he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!" ² And Jesus said to him, "Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down."

³ And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴ "Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when all these things are about to be accomplished?" ⁵ And Jesus began to say to them, "See that no one leads you astray. ⁶ Many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. ⁷ And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take place, but the end is not yet. ⁸ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These are but the beginning of the birth pains.

⁹ "But be on your guard. For they will deliver you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them. ¹⁰ And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations. ¹¹ And when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, for it is not you who

speak, but the Holy Spirit. ¹² And brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death. ¹³ And you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. (ESV)

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**



Children's Sermon

SONG G703 (Green): Days of Elijah

MESSAGE "These are the Signs of the Times!" Pastor Kurt Weber

The final three weeks of the Church Year are traditionally concerned with "the last things." The lessons of the Church bring a special opportunity to reflect on the end of time and on the end of our earthly lives.

In the Apostles' Creed, we affirm our belief in the resurrection of the body, which is God's good but temporary gift to us while we are living on earth. With all who have died in the faith before us, we await the coming of the Lord.

In these, the final three weeks of the church year, we will be reading one article of the creed each week, along with a portion of Luther's Small Catechism. We encourage you to read the rest of Luther's explanation as a part of your Bible study this week.

The Apostles' Creed: The Second Article

In the Second Article, we confess the work of our Savior Jesus Christ, who takes away our sin and rescues us from the snares of the devil. We confess:

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.

What does this mean?

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from all eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.

This is most certainly true.

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS 8:30am Give Thanks, arr. Geschke; Hosanna Handbells

Please sign the friendship pad in the pew and pass it along to others. As it is passed back to the center aisle, please take the opportunity to note the names of others seated in your pew.

PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Welcome to worship at Peace. Holy Communion is for those who believe as we do in this Sacrament of the Altar. We believe it is the true body and blood of Jesus Christ, in, with, and under the bread and wine, given for the forgiveness of our sins. If you have questions, please speak to the Pastor or an Elder.

6:30pm & 8:30am SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

HYMN 537 (Maroon): Beautiful Savior

HYMN 527 (Maroon): O Savior, Previous Savior

BENEDICTION

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. **Amen.**

6:30pm & 8:30am ▲ HYMN 660 (Maroon): Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

10:30am SONG: Our God

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Friday, November 22, 11am-3pm, Turkey and Ham Dinner

Thanksgiving Worship Services

Wednesday, November 27th at 11:30am and 6:30pm No noon meal. Note: No service on Thanksgiving Day.

Midweek Advent Worship Services

Wednesdays, December 4, 11 and 18; 11:30am followed by lunch 4:30pm (Peace Center) and 6:30pm (Sanctuary)

Saturday, December 7th, Christmas Cookie Sale

Children's Christmas Pageant

Saturday, Dec. 14 – 10:00-11:30am Christmas rehearsal + 11:30 Family Christmas party Sunday, Dec. 15 – Meet at 10:00am, 10:30am Children's Christmas pageant (Sanctuary)

Sundays, December 22nd and 29th

ONE worship service each weekend.
Sunday at 10:00am. No Saturday night worship.

December 22nd at 10:00am

Service of Lessons, Carols and Bells
11:30am Lunch, Congregational Christmas Gathering

<u>December 24th, Christmas Eve Candlelight Services</u> 3:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:00pm

> December 25th, Christmas Day Worship 9:00am, with communion

Advent Candles

We will once again be asking families to light the Advent wreath at each worship service.

If you are interested, please contact Dr. Joan.