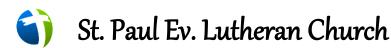


The Last Sunday of the Church Year November 24, A+D 2024



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> DIVINE SERVICE Setting 1 – Page 151 Lutheran Service Book

# In Repentance We Are Alert to the Coming of Christ

The signs of the end are all around us, constant reminders that "heaven and earth will pass away." But all of these signs are centered in the cross of Christ, whereby He has conquered sin and death, that we might be raised with Him in righteousness through His Word of the Gospel, which "will not pass away" (Mark 13:31). He is "the firstborn of the dead," who in His great love "has freed us from our sins by his blood" (Rev. 1:5). His salvation is certain because "his dominion is an everlasting dominion" and His Kingdom "shall not be destroyed" (Dan. 7:14). For this purpose He came into the world, to reign in love through His voice of the Gospel, which is the truth (John 18:37). So is the righteousness of Christ "a light to the peoples," which "will never be dismayed" because it is the justice of His cross and resurrection (Is. 51:4–6). As He "is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory," so wait upon "the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life" (Jude 20–24).

Ringing of the Bells

Welcome

# Confession and Absolution

905 Come, Thou Almighty King

#### 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 LSB 151

- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

#### **Confession of Sins**

LSB 151

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

#### **Declaration of Grace**

LSB 151

- In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C Amen.

# Service of the Word

Introit Psalm 39:4–5a, 7–8, 12a; antiphon: 2 Peter 3:13b NIV

- P We are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth,
- the home of righteousness.
- P O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure of my days;
- let me know how fleeting I am!
- P Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths,
- and my lifetime is as nothing before you.
- P And now, O Lord, for what do I wait?
- **M**y hope is in you.
- **P** Deliver me from all my transgressions.
- **©** Do not make me the scorn of the fool!
- P Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry;
- **©** hold not your peace at my tears!
- 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 We are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth,
- **C** the home of righteousness.

Kyrie LSB 152

**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



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



A 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.



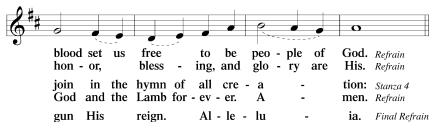
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



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











# **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

P The Lord be with you.



P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

# **Old Testament Reading**

Isaiah 51:4-6

A The Old Testament Reading for The Last Sunday of the Church Year is from the fifty-first chapter of the prophecy of Isaiah.

<sup>4</sup>"Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law will go out from me, and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples. <sup>5</sup>My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait. <sup>6</sup>Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath: for the heavens vanish like smoke. the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed."

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

Epistle Jude 20–25

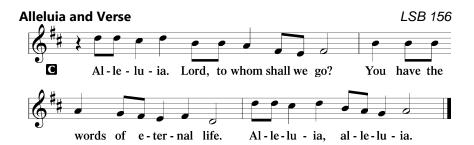
The Second Reading is from the Epistle of Jude.

<sup>20</sup>But you, beloved, build yourselves up in your most holy faith; pray in the Holy Spirit; <sup>21</sup>keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. <sup>22</sup>And have mercy on those who doubt; <sup>23</sup>save others by snatching them out of the fire; to others show mercy with fear, hating even the garment stained by the flesh.

<sup>24</sup>Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, <sup>25</sup>to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

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

#### Stand



# **Holy Gospel**

Mark 13:24-37

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth chapter.



<sup>24</sup>[Jesus said:] "In those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, <sup>25</sup>and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. <sup>26</sup>And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. <sup>27</sup>And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

<sup>28</sup>"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. <sup>29</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. <sup>30</sup>Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. <sup>31</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>32</sup>"But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>33</sup>Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. <sup>34</sup>It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. <sup>35</sup>Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the cock

crows, or in the morning— <sup>36</sup>lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. <sup>37</sup>And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit

#### 816 From All That Dwell Below the Skies

#### Sermon

Stand

## **Apostles' Creed**

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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

# **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.

Stand



# **Prayer of the Church**

... Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

# **Lord's Prayer**

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- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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

# **Concluding Collect**

- P Visit our dwellings, O Lord, and drive from them all the snares of the enemy; let Your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace; and let Your blessing be on us always; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- Amen.

Benediction LSB 166

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.



# 832 Jesus Shall Reign

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# ST. PAUL'S FAMILY

Chris & Marcia Parker Scott Parker, Family Travin, Cayden Carrie Pearson Donald Pearson Joe Pearson

# **BIRTHDAYS**

Deb Brandy, 11/24
Travis Middleton, 11/27
Sean Zander, 11/27
Hope Krieger, 11/28

Judy Diekelman, 11/24
Danielle Zander, 11/27
Hope Krieger, 11/28

Jennifer Olson, 11/30

# **BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES**

Blake Hoeksema, 11/29 Kaylee Krieger, 11/29

Antonio Ramirez, 11/29

# **CONFIRMATION ANNIVERSARIES**

Sharon Zander, 11/24

# **SPECIAL CONCERNS**

Pray for Norma Allen, Janice Abel, Sondra Budde, Jay Carey, Pastor and Pam Collins, Carmen Dampier, Judy Diekleman, Shirley Emerick, Pastor Duane Fluechtling, Latricia Harris, Ed Hoeksema Jr., Doris Leifert, Chester Orendorff, Violet Rich, Dolly Tagenhorst, Warren Van Mynen, Gene Wiltjer, Ray Zander, Sean Zander.

**Serving in the Military** – Austin Brandy, James Fluechtling, Dakoda Gaut and Nathan Lopez.

**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**



St. Paul Book Club will meet in December date & time to be announced, to review *Confessions of a Christmasholic* by Josh Wood. We always welcome new members. We enjoy fellowship and lunch following the discussion.

Christ For You this week on KFUO.org: We continue our study of the Psalms of thanksgiving on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), and discuss chapters 8-11 in the Gospel of John on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT). Tune into Concord Matters this Saturday (11/30 at 10:00 a.m. CT) to learn more about the Lutheran view of the Sacrament. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or on the KFUO Radio app!

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"In spades the Lord has taught me, and prayerfully you also, that Psalm 23 is a thanksgiving psalm. He anoints our heads, which is the Old Testament way of saying He chooses us as kings. He makes us a part of His royal household! Man, are we blessed as His kids!" Pastor Keith Haberstock, guest speaker on "The Lutheran Hour" – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

There's a Great Day Coming
"But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father." Mark 13:32 (NLT)



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# GOD'S PEOPLE IN ACTION

# ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS

November 17th Attendance 30, 25 Communed, 16 Online

<b>Budgeted Total</b>	866.00	Non-budgeted Total	\$270.00
		Social Ministry	195.00
Organist		Church Maint	10.00
Basket	90.00	Luth. Church Charity	10.00
Envelopes	\$776.00	Weekly Missions	\$55.00

Offering Needed 1,362.00 Short



# THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today 9:30 am Worship Serv
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10:30 am Coffee &...

4:00 pm Thanksgiving Service 5:00 pm Thanksgiving Dinner

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday

9:30 am Worship Service

10:30 am Coffee &...

# SERVANT SCHEDULE

Sun, Nov 24, 9:30 AM Sun, Dec 1, 9:30 AM

Rev. Mark Zuehsow

Pastor Dave Bloom Usher

Lay Reader

### **DONATIONS**





