

2nd Sunday of End Time – Last Judgment – November 7, 2021

WELCOME

Welcome to worship, especially our guests! We are delighted to have you with us. If you are looking for a church home, we are happy to share ours with you. If we haven't seen you in a while, it is great to see you today! May God bless your time with us richly.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Heavenly Father, I have come to worship you. Draw near to me in your gracious Word, and assure me of your loving kindness. Curb my wandering thoughts, that with undivided attention I may hear your voice and sing you praise. Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD, P. 38

OPENING HYMN – 22 O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide

- 1 O Savior, rend the heavens wide; Come down, come down with mighty stride; Unlock the gates, the doors break down; Unbar the way to heaven's crown.
- 2 O Morning Star, O radiant Dawn, When will we sing your morning song? Come, Son of God! Without your light We grope in dread and gloom of night.
- 3 Sin's dreadful doom upon us lies; Grim death looms fierce before our eyes. Oh, come, lead us with mighty hand From exile to our promised land.
- 4 There shall we all our praises bring And sing to you, our Savior-King; There shall we laud you and adore Forever and forevermore.

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- **M:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- **M:** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- **M:** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

- **M:** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.
- C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens. Your faithfulness continues forever. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him.
- **M:** Lord God Almighty, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that we may always look forward to the end of this present evil age and to the day of your righteous judgment. Keep us steadfast in true and living faith and present us at last holy and blameless before you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

FIRST LESSON - Malachi 4:1-3

Look! The day is coming, burning like a blast furnace. All the arrogant and every evildoer will be stubble. The day that is coming will set them on fire, says the LORD of Armies, a day that will not leave behind a root or branch for them. ² But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will rise, and there will be healing in its wings. You will go out and jump around like calves from the stall. ³ You will trample the wicked. They will surely be ashes under the soles of your feet on the day when I take action, says the LORD of Armies.

PSALM 90 - CW page 99

Refrain: In ev'ry age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

- Lord, you have been our <u>dwell</u>ing place* throughout all generations.
- Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth <u>and</u> the world,* from everlasting to everlasting <u>you</u> are God.
- For a thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by,* or like a watch in the night.

Refrain: In ev'ry age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

You have set our iniquities be<u>fore</u> you,* our secret sins in the light of your <u>pres</u>ence.

You turn mortals <u>back</u> to dust.* You sweep them away in the <u>sleep</u> of death.

The length of our days is seventy years—or eighty, if we <u>have</u> the strength;* yet their span is but trouble and <u>sor</u>row.

Teach us to number our <u>days</u> aright,* that we may gain a heart of <u>wis</u>dom.

Refrain: In ev'ry age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Satisfy us in the morning with your un<u>fail</u>ing love,* that we may sing for joy and be glad <u>all</u> our days.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the be<u>gin</u>ning,* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.

Refrain: In ev'ry age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

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SECOND LESSON – Hebrews 9:24-28

²⁴ For Christ did not enter a handmade sanctuary, a representation of the true sanctuary. Instead, he entered into heaven itself, now to appear before God on our behalf. ²⁵ And he did not enter to offer himself many times, as the high priest enters the Most Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own. ²⁶ Otherwise he would have needed to suffer many times since the creation of the world. But now he has appeared once and for all, at the climax of the ages, in order to take away sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷ And, just as it is appointed for people to die only once and after this comes the judgment, ²⁸ so also Christ was offered only once to take away the sins of many, and he will appear a second time—without sin—to bring salvation to those who are eagerly waiting for him.

VERSE OF THE DAY – Matthew 24:42

M: Alleluia. So be alert, because you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. Alleluia.

C: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe the Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

GOSPEL LESSON – John 5:19-30

¹⁹ Jesus answered them directly, "Amen, Amen, I tell you: The Son can do nothing on his own, but only what he sees the Father doing. Indeed, the Son does exactly what the Father does. ²⁰ For the Father loves the Son and shows him everything he is doing. And he will show him even greater works than these so that you will be amazed.²¹ For just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to those he wishes. ²² "In fact, the Father judges no one, but has entrusted all judgment to the Son, ²³ so that all should honor the Son just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him. ²⁴ Amen, Amen, I tell you: Anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He is not going to come into judgment but has crossed over from death to life. ²⁵ "Amen, Amen, I tell you: A time is coming and is here now when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who listen will live. ²⁶ For just as the Father has life in himself, so also he has granted the Son to have life in himself. ²⁷ And he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man. ²⁸ "Do not be amazed at this, for a time is coming when all who are in their graves will hear his voice 29 and will come out. Those who have done good will rise to live, but those who have practiced evil will rise to be condemned. 30 I can do nothing at all on my own. I judge only as I hear. And my judgment is just, for I do not seek my own will, but the will of him who sent me.

M: This is the gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY - 382 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

- My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
 I dare to make no other claim But wholly lean on Jesus' name.
 On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.
- 2 When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace; In ev'ry high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil.

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.

- 3 His oath, his covenant and blood Support me in the raging flood; When ev'ry earthly prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.
- 4 When he shall come with trumpet sound, Oh, may I then in him be found, Clothed in his righteousness alone, Faultless to stand before his throne. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.

Text: Edward Mote, 1797–1874, alt.

SERMON: You have crossed from death to life!

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

HYMN – CW 166 The Day of Resurrection

1 The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad, The Passover of gladness, The Passover of God. From death to life eternal, From this world to the sky, Our Christ has brought us over With hymns of victory.

2 Our hearts be pure from evil That we may see aright The Lord in rays eternal Of resurrection light And, list'ning to his accents, May hear, so calm and plain, His own "All hail!" and, hearing, May raise the victor strain.

3 Now let the heav'ns be joyful; Let earth her song begin. Let all the world keep triumph And all that is therein. Let all things, seen and unseen, Their notes of gladness blend; For Christ the Lord has risen; Our joy shall have no end.

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696-c. 754; tr. John M. Neale, 1818-66, alt.

CLOSING PRAYER & BLESSING

M: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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.

C: Amen. Amen. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN - CW 209 Day of Wrath, Oh, Day of Mourning

- 1 Day of wrath, oh, day of mourning! See fulfilled the prophets' warning: Heav'n and earth in ashes burning.
- Death is struck and nature quaking;
 All creation is awaking,
 To its judge an answer making.
- 3 See, the book, exactly worded, Wherein all has been recorded— Thus shall judgment be awarded.
- 4 What shall I in awe be pleading, Who for me be interceding When your mercy I am needing?
- 5 King of majesty tremendous, Who does free salvation send us, Fount of pity, then befriend us.
- 6 Think, good Jesus—my salvation Caused your wondrous incarnation, Made you suffer my damnation!
- 7 On the cross your dying spared me; Just and righteous you declared me; I await the joy prepared me.

Text: attr. Thomas de Celano, c. 1190–c. 1260, abr., st. 1–6; Mark A. Jeske, b. 1952, st. 7; tr. William J. Irons, 1812–83, st. 1–6, alt. St. 7 $^{\circ}$ 1993 Mark A. Jeske. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

Thank you for worshiping with us! God bless your week.

This Week's Opportunities for Growing in Christ						
Today	9:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School & Bible Class Worship				
Monday	6:00 PM	Board of Education				
Tuesday	1:30 PM 7:00 PM	OWLS meeting at Our Savior's Coordinating Council				
Wednesday	4:00 PM 6:30 PM	Catechism Small Group Bible Study				
Thursday	1:30 PM	Ladies' Aid				
Sunday 11/14 Food Pantry	9:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School & Bible Class Worship with Communion				

Pastoral Call Last Sunday a Divine Call was issued to Pastor Jonathan Loescher, who is currently serving at Bethany Lutheran Church in Hustisford, WI. Please keep Our Savior's, Bethany, and Pastor Loescher and his family in your prayers as he considers where he may best serve our Lord.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Join us to worship and give thanks to our gracious God on Thanksgiving Eve, Nov. 24, at 7:00 PM.

<u>Memorial</u> Thank you to David & Kelly Schultz for their gift to the Vision fund given in memory of Virene Cramer. Blessed be her memory. Thanks be to God for the love which led to this gift.

Veterans Day Lunch In honor of their service to our nation, we invite all past and present servicemen and servicewomen to attend Our Savior's Lutheran School's Veterans Day Dinner on Tuesday, November 16 at 11:15 AM. Please RSVP by calling the church/school office at 715-845-3253 or email OSInfo@oursaviorswausau.org no later than Tuesday, Nov. 9.

RADA Cutlery Pre-Holiday Sale The Ladies' Aid is sponsoring another RADA cutlery sale. (Psst! It's the best cutlery ever!) Catalogs are available in the narthex. **Orders due today!**

<u>NLHS Fruit Sale</u> Order forms are in the narthex and must be returned to Northland LHS by December 1.

Snow Removal Winter weather is just around the corner! We'll need help with snow removal. Please sign up in the narthex or speak with Bill Unruh if you're willing to help.

2022 God's Creation Calendars

We have a few extra calendars in the narthex available on a first come, first served basis. Cost is \$7.00. Please make checks out to Our Savior's.

October Forward in Christ The October issue is available today. Please pick up a copy. It was delayed due to a paper shortage and other publishing problems. The November issue will also be delayed. Both issues are also available for free online at <u>forwardinchrist.net</u>

Youth Group Outing Mountain of the Lord Youth Group (ages 13-18) will meet at the Schuch's house (227655 Fall Circle) on **Saturday, Nov 28th from 2-5 pm**. We will be hiking on Rib Mountain. Please bring a snack to share with the group.

Youth/Youth Groups from area churches are invited and encouraged to join us! For questions or to sign up, please contact James Weiland, james.r.weiland@gmail.com or 262.224.2769.

Our Stewardship of God's Gifts: Oct. 31, 2021								
<u>Weekly</u> \$4,764.00	<u>Vision</u> \$240.00	<u>Debt Red</u> \$185.00	-	<u>ssions</u> 5.00	<u>Than</u> \$25.0	<u>ksgiving</u>)0		
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Attendance: Bible Class – 18 Worship – 71, Online – 30 Total = 101



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