



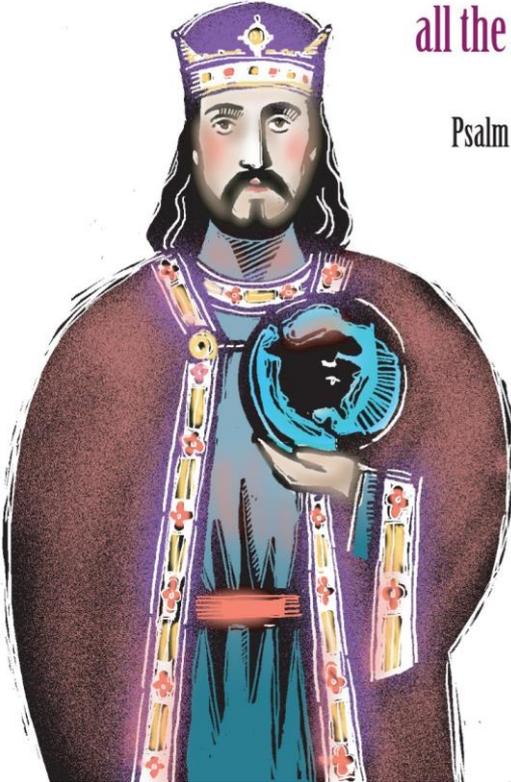
OUR SAVIOR'S

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Last Sunday of the Church Year - November 27, 2022

For the LORD most high
... is a great King over
all the earth.

Psalm 47:2, KJV



WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

We welcome you (especially visitors) in Jesus' name to worship on this last Sunday of the church year. This weekend we celebrate "Christ the King" Sunday and rejoice in our Savior's victory won for us on the cross and to be gifted to us for eternity in heaven. Until then, we know he rules in our hearts through his Word as King of heaven and earth. May the Lord bless your time in worship with us today.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Heavenly Father, as we end another church year, make us mindful of the victory we have in Jesus Christ our King, and lead us to praise him today and always. In his name, Amen.

OUR COMMUNION PRACTICE

In the Sacrament of Holy Communion, we express unity with our Savior and those who share our faith and stand on the teachings of God's Word. Therefore, we invite to our altar those who are members of Our Savior's or members of the WELS/ELS. Visitors who wish to commune are asked to speak to the pastor before the service begins.

WELS CONNECTION

This month, learn about WELS Military Services and its ministry to WELS members who serve in the United States Armed Forces and their families.

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

- Minister – Pastor Mark Schlenner
- Organist – Marie Kurth
- Ushers – Sawyer Burish, Bob Gresens
(Next Sunday – Krohn/Schubring)

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Setting One from Christian Worship

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Our Worship

Opening Hymn

CW 543 sts. 1, 4-5



1 O Je - sus, King most won - der - ful,
4 May ev - 'ry heart con - fess your name,
5 Oh, may our tongues for - ev - er bless



O Maj - es - ty re - nowned, O Con - quer - or in -
for - ev - er you a - dore, en - kin - dled with the
and hon - or you a - lone, and may we in our



vin - ci - ble, in whom all joys are found,
Spir - it's flame to love you more and more.
lives ex - press the im - age of your own!

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Stand

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

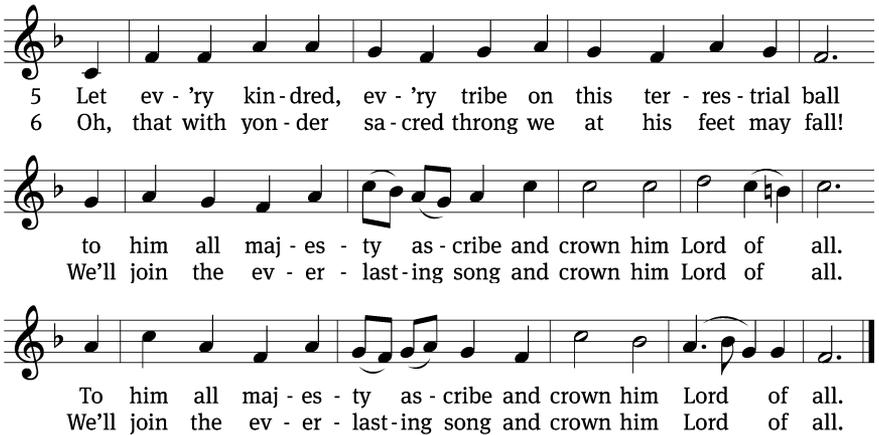
Almighty and merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts. We have offended you and sinned against your holy law. We have done those things that we should not have done, and we have not done those things that we should have done. Have mercy on us, Lord!

Spare us, forgive us, and restore us, according to your promises in Christ Jesus.

God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever. **Amen.**

Song of Praise

CW 512 sts. 5-6



5 Let ev - 'ry kin - dred, ev - 'ry tribe on this ter - res - trial ball
6 Oh, that with you - der sa - cred thron'g we at his feet may fall!

to him all maj - es - ty as - crite and crown him Lord of all.
We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song and crown him Lord of all.

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The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lord Jesus Christ, by your victory you have broken the power of the evil one. Fill our hearts with joy and peace as we look with hope to that day when every creature in heaven and earth will acclaim you King of kings and Lord of lords to your unending praise and glory; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

The Word

First Reading

Habakkuk 1:1–3; 2:1–4

1 The threatening oracle which the prophet Habakkuk saw.

2 How long, LORD, must I cry for help, but you do not listen?

I call out to you, “Violence!” but you do not save!

3 Why do you cause me to see injustice?

Why do you overlook misery?

Devastation and violence confront me.

There is strife, and tensions rise.

2 I will stand at my watch post and station myself on the city wall. I will look to see what he will say to me, and what answer he will give to my complaint.

2 Then the LORD answered me. He said:

Record the vision and write it plainly on tablets so that a herald may run with it.

3 Indeed, the vision is waiting for the appointed time. It longs for fulfillment and will not prove false. If it seems slow in coming, wait for it, because it will certainly come and will not be delayed.

4 Look, his soul is puffed up and is not righteous within him—but the righteous one will live by his faith.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 95, Venite

C: Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord, let us make a joyful noise to the rock of
our sal - va - tion. Let us come into his presence with thanks-giv - ing,
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise. For the Lord is a
great God and a great king a-bove all gods. The deep places of the earth are
in his hand; the heights of the hills are al - so his. The sea is his, for he
made it, and his hand formed the dry land. Oh, come, let us worship and
bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our mak - er. For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

Gospel

Luke 12:35-40

³⁵ “Be dressed, ready for service, and keep your lamps burning. ³⁶ Be like people waiting for their master to return from a wedding banquet, so that when he comes and knocks they can immediately open the door for him. ³⁷ Blessed are those servants, whom the master will find watching when he comes. Amen I tell you: He will dress himself and have them recline at the table, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸ Even if he comes in the second or third watch, they will be blessed if he finds them alert. ³⁹ But know this: If the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also be ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour when you are not expecting him.” Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Hymn of the Day

CW 627

To God Be the Glory

- 1 To God be the glory, great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son
and give him the glory, great things he has done!

- 2 Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son,
but purer and higher and greater will be
our joy and our wonder when Jesus we see.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son
and give him the glory, great things he has done!

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Sermon

1 Corinthians 15:20–24

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹ For since death came by a man, the resurrection of the dead also is going to come by a man. ²² For as in Adam they all die, so also in Christ they all will be made alive. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ as the firstfruits and then Christ's people, at his coming. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has done away with every other ruler and every other authority and power.

Christ Our King Returns!

He will restore order

He will bestow blessings

Stand

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered

death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Be seated

Thank Offering & Friendship Register

As the offering is gathered, we ask both members and visitors to sign the Friendship Registers, which are located at the end of the pews. Guests are welcome to give but should not feel obligated to do so.

Prayer of the Church

O Christ, our King, live forever! You have made peace for us by the blood of your cross. You have pleaded with the Father for our pardon, and through you all things are reconciled to God. By your Spirit, lead us to never-ending joy and thanksgiving that you have redeemed us by your Passion from wrath and damnation. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Christ, our King, by your atoning death we are spared as sons and esteemed as treasured possessions of the Father. Bless all Christian homes, that as the children of your kingdom we would grow in the fear of the Lord and esteem your name, serve you faithfully, and walk in your charge undismayed by the prosperity of the wicked, until all is revealed at the Last Day. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Christ, our King, let the earth fear you and all the world's inhabitants stand in awe of you, for you alone are King of kings and Lord of lords. Preserve those who fear you and serve you in the midst of this fallen world, and maintain good government among us. Nevertheless, come quickly Lord Jesus, for your kingdom is not of this world and our citizenship is with you in paradise. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Special prayers may follow

O Christ, our King, in your blood the saints of all ages wash their robes and find entrance to paradise with you. Bring us also with them out of death and the grave and into resurrection and eternal life at the Last Day, when we will see you crowned with glory; for you are the Lamb who was slain and now lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

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 Sacrament

Stand

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who preserves his Church to the end of time, when he will come again as king to judge all people and take his own to glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

CW 167



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:
 heav'n and earth are full of your 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 who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord God, you are worthy to receive thanks and praise from all people. You created the world and all who live in it, and in your mercy you saved us. We give thanks to you for the grace of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Though in very nature God, he took the nature of a servant and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. He offered himself as a sacrifice for sin and redeemed us from its curse and penalty. He rescued us from the terrors of death and restored eternal life with you. He conquered our enemies and gained for us the kingdom of grace and glory.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood, and lead us to remember his suffering, death, and resurrection. Forgive our sins and fill us with the hope of new life in heaven. Hear our praise and receive our thanks as we worship you—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

O Christ, Lamb of God

CW 169

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - - men.

Be seated

Distribution Hymn

CW 663

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

- 1 Soul, adorn yourself with gladness;
leave behind all gloom and sadness.
Come into the daylight's splendor;
there with joy your praises render
unto him whose grace unbounded
has this wondrous supper founded.
He, though reigning high and holy,
deigns to dwell with you most lowly.

- 2 Hasten as a bride to meet him,
and with loving rev'ence greet him,
for with words of life immortal
he is knocking at your portal.
Open wide the gates before him,
saying, as you there adore him:
Grant, Lord, that I now receive you,
that I nevermore will leave you.

- 3 He who craves a precious treasure
neither cost nor pain will measure,
but the priceless gifts of heaven
God to us has freely given.
Though the wealth of earth were proffered,
naught would buy the gifts here offered:
Christ's true body, for you riven,
and his blood, for you once given.

- 4 Now I kneel before you lowly,
filled with joy most deep and holy,
as with trembling awe and wonder
on your mighty work I ponder,
by such mystery surrounded,
depths that no one ever sounded.
None may dare to pierce unbidden
secrets that with you are hidden.
- 5 Human reason, though it ponders,
cannot fathom these great wonders,
that Christ's body must be boundless
since the souls it feeds are countless,
and that he his blood is giving
with the wine we are receiving.
These great mysteries unsounded
are by God alone expounded.
- 6 Lord, by love and mercy driven,
you have left your throne in heaven
on the cross for me to languish
and to die in bitter anguish,
to forgo all joy and gladness
and to shed your blood in sadness.
By this blood redeemed and living,
Lord, I praise you with thanksgiving.
- 7 Jesus, sun of life, my splendor,
Jesus, friend of friends most tender,
Jesus, joy of my desiring,
fount of life, my soul inspiring:
at your feet I cry, my maker,
let me be a fit partaker
of this blessed food from heaven
for our good, your glory, given.

8 Jesus, Lord of life in heaven,
help me when this meal is given
to receive it for my blessing
as I come, my sins confessing.
In this supper let me measure,
Lord, how deep is your love's treasure,
that, as I on earth have eaten,
I may be your guest in heaven.

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Stand

We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet you have given us in this Sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit, help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing

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.

Amen.

Closing Hymn

CW 494

See, He Comes, the King of Glory



1 See, he comes, the King of glo - ry, an - gels
2 See, he comes, the King of glo - ry, nam - ing
3 See, he comes, the King of glo - ry, with a
4 Till he comes, the King of glo - ry, an - gels



blaz - ing round his throne, wield - ing wrath to
deeds we did for him: feed - ing, cloth - ing,
king - dom to a - ward. We have not de -
blaz - ing round his throne, we will turn our



those who spurned him, bear - ing bless - ings for his own.
shar - ing, car - ing, vis - it - ing, in - vit - ing in.
served or earned it; it's his gift, not our re - ward.
eyes to heav - en, tune our ears to trum - pet's tone.



Do not dread that day, dear Chris - tian! Do not fear his
We may ask, "When did we do this— show you, Lord, such
All our works are but an of - f'ring of our grat - i -
But we won't ne - glect our neigh - bors need - ing com - fort,



fear - some face, for the judge is our dear
cour - te - sy?" He will say, "The least, the
tude and praise. We serve not so God will
shel - ter, love. Kind - ness - es for friends and



Sav - ior; we are guard - ed by his grace.
low - ly— serv - ing them was serv - ing me."
save us; we serve God be - cause we're saved.
stran - gers serve our Sav - ior - King a - bove.

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

Serving the Pastoral Vacancy - Pastor Jeff Mahnke from St. Peter Lutheran Church is serving as Our Savior's vacancy pastor. Should you need his pastoral guidance and service, call / text him anytime at 715.297.0132. His email address is pastorm@mysaintpeter.org.

Divine Call News - At our call meeting on Monday, Nov. 7, our voters issued a Divine Call to Pastor Jonathan Learman. Pastor Learman currently serves two congregations in the Theresa area. Please keep him, his family, and all of the congregations in your prayers. If you'd like to encourage Pastor Learman, you may email him at jlearman@hotmail.com

Asleep in Jesus - In his great mercy, our Lord called home to himself the soul of Virginia D. Fromnes on Sunday, November 20, 2022. A private service will be held. We rejoice that Virginia is home with her Savior in heaven, and we pray for peace and comfort for her daughter, Donna Clark, and grandson, Truman Clark. Blessed be her memory.



Northland Lutheran High School Fruit Sale Ending

Tomorrow, Nov. 28, is the last day to order. Pick-up Dec. 16-17. Order forms are in the back of church.



Shoveling Help Needed! - As they say "All good things must

come to an end." Looks like the beautiful Oct. and beginning November temps in the mid 60's are over. Now comes the SNOW and with it the removal from sidewalks. If anyone is willing to help, there is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. As soon as it is known how many would be willing to help, a schedule will be put together. If you have any questions on what this entails please see or call Bill Unruh at 715-359-6335.

Advent Devotions – “Word Made Flesh: The Historical Reality of Christmas” is a series of Advent devotions, a gift to you from Martin Luther College, the WELS College of Ministry. Each of the 25 devotions is prompted by a question about the historical accuracy of the Christmas account. Pick up a copy today in the narthex or the office entry.

This Week’s Opportunities for Growing in Christ		
Today	9:00 AM 10:15 AM	Worship with Communion Sunday School & Bible Class
Friday	6:30 PM	Watch for the OS School float in the Wausau Christmas Parade!
Sunday 12/4	9:00 AM 10:15 AM	Worship Sunday School & Bible Class

Our Stewardship of God’s Gifts: November 20, 2022				
<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Vision</u>	<u>Debt Reduction</u>	<u>Missions</u>	<u>Bldg Maint</u>
\$4,987.00	\$330.00	\$360.00	\$25.00	\$100.00
<u>NLHS Op</u>	<u>Plate</u>	<u>OSS Tuition Asst</u>	<u>WELS Schlrshp</u>	<u>School Fees</u>
\$250.00	\$1.00	\$25.00 \$24.00	\$40.00	\$229.00
Attendance: 58 + 49 (online) = 107				



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