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The Last Sunday of the Church Year, November 20th, 2022

TODAY'S PRAYERS: Keith Basanta, Ruby Patrick, Jack Zacharias, Lorraine Osadchuk, Walter Harder, Irma Barten, Gary Edel, Dorothy Quiring, Bruce & Carol Bird, Wally Funk, Rick Fenske, Abe Hiebert, Rev. Alvin and Jean Borchardt, William Fenske, Rev. Robert Grout and Pastor Schollenberg.

The Order of Service: Divine Service Setting One,

LSB 151

Opening Hymn: Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending

LSB 336

- 1 Lo! He comes with clouds descending,
Once for ev'ry sinner slain;
Thousand thousand saints attending
Swell the triumph of His train:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Christ the Lord returns to reign.
- 2 Ev'ry eye shall now behold Him
Robed in glorious majesty;
Those who set at naught and sold Him,
Pierced and nailed Him to the tree,
Deeply wailing, deeply wailing, deeply wailing,
Shall their true Messiah see.
- 3 Those dear tokens of His passion
Still His dazzling body bears,
Cause of endless exultation
To His ransomed worshipers.
With what rapture, with what rapture, with what rapture
Gaze we on those glorious scars!
- 4 Yea, amen, let all adore Thee,
High on Thine eternal throne;
Savior, take the pow'r and glory,
Claim the kingdom as Thine own.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Thou shalt reign, and Thou alone!

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L In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

L If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

L Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C 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.

L 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 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.

Introit

Psalm 134; antiphon: Psalm 33:8

Let all the earth fear the LORD;

let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him!

Come, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD,

who stand by night in the house of the LORD!

Lift up your hands to the Holy Place

and bless the LORD!

May the LORD bless you from Zion,

He Who made heaven and earth!

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.

Let all the earth fear the LORD;

let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him!

Kyrie

LSB 152

L In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

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

C Lord, have mercy.

L 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.

C Lord, have mercy.

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

C Lord, have mercy.

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

C Amen.

Hymn of Praise: Gloria in Excelsis

L Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

C **Lord God, heavenly King, Almighty God and Father:**

We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

L The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

L Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, You reign among us by the preaching of Your Cross. Forgive Your people their offenses that we, being governed by Your bountiful goodness, may enter at last into Your eternal paradise; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

The Old Testament Reading

Malachi 3:13–18

¹³“Your words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, ‘How have we spoken against You?’ ¹⁴You have said, ‘It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping His charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts? ¹⁵And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape.’” ¹⁶Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before Him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed His Name. ¹⁷“**They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up My treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him.** ¹⁸Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve Him.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 46; antiphon: v. 7

¹God is our Refuge and Strength, a very present help in trouble.

²**Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,**

³though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

⁴**There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the Holy Habitation of the Most High.**

⁵God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.

⁶The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; He utters His voice, the earth melts.

⁷The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our Fortress.

⁸Come, behold the works of the LORD, how He has brought desolations on the earth.

⁹He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; He burns the chariots with fire.

¹⁰“Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations I will be exalted in the earth!”

¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our Fortress.

The Epistle Lesson

Colossians 1:13–20

¹³He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His Beloved Son, ¹⁴in Whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵He is the Image of the Invisible God, the Firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through Him and for Him. ¹⁷And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. ¹⁸And He is the Head of the Body, the Church. He is the Beginning, the Firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent. ¹⁹For in Him all the Fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the Blood of His Cross.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156

C **Alleluia.**

Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the Words of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

Luke 23:27–43

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-third chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²⁷And there followed [Jesus] a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for Him. ²⁸But turning to them Jesus said, **“Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for Me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹For behold, the days are coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!’ ³⁰Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us,’ and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ ³¹For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?”** ³²Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with Him. ³³And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on His right and one on His left. ³⁴And Jesus said, **“Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.”** And they cast lots to divide His garments. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at Him, saying, **“He saved others; let Him save Himself, if He is the Christ of God, His Chosen One!”** ³⁶The soldiers also

mocked Him, coming up and offering Him sour wine ³⁷and saying, **“If You are the King of the Jews, save Yourself!”** ³⁸There was also an inscription over Him, **“This is the King of the Jews.”** ³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged railed at Him, saying, **“Are You not the Christ? Save Yourself and us!”** ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, **“Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong.”** ⁴²And he said, **“Jesus, remember me when you come into Your kingdom.”** ⁴³And He said to him, **“Truly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise.”**

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn of the Day: Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor

LSB 534

- 1 Lord, enthroned in heav’nly splendor,
First-begotten from the dead,
You alone, our strong defender,
Lifting up Your people’s head.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus, true and living bread!
Jesus, true and living bread!
- 2 Though the lowliest form now veil You
As of old in Bethlehem,
Here as there Your angels hail You,
Branch and flow’r of Jesse’s stem.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
We in worship join with them;
We in worship join with them.
- 3 Paschal Lamb, Your off’ring, finished
Once for all when You were slain,
In its fullness undiminished
Shall forevermore remain,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Cleansing souls from ev’ry stain;
Cleansing souls from ev’ry stain.
- 4 Life-imparting heav’nly manna,
Stricken rock with streaming side,
Heav’n and earth with loud hosanna
Worship You, the Lamb who died,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Ris’n, ascended, glorified!
Ris’n, ascended, glorified!

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Stand

The Apostles' Creed

LSB 159

**☩ 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.**

Prayer of the Church

Sit

Offering: The Day Is Surely Drawing Near

LSB 508

- 1 The day is surely drawing near
When Jesus, God's anointed,
In all His power shall appear
As judge whom God appointed.
Then fright shall banish idle mirth,
And flames on flames shall ravage earth
As Scripture long has warned us.

- 2 The final trumpet then shall sound
And all the earth be shaken,
And all who rest beneath the ground
Shall from their sleep awaken.
But all who live will in that hour,
By God's almighty, boundless pow'r,
Be changed at His commanding.

- 3 The books are opened then to all,
A record truly telling
What each has done, both great and small,
When he on earth was dwelling,
And ev'ry heart be clearly seen,
And all be known as they have been
In thoughts and words and actions.
- 4 Then woe to those who scorned the Lord
And sought but carnal pleasures,
Who here despised His precious Word
And loved their earthly treasures!
With shame and trembling they will stand
And at the judge's stern command
To Satan be delivered.
- 5 My Savior paid the debt I owe
And for my sin was smitten;
Within the Book of Life I know
My name has now been written.
I will not doubt, for I am free,
And Satan cannot threaten me;
There is no condemnation!
- 6 May Christ our intercessor be
And through His blood and merit
Read from His book that we are free
With all who life inherit.
Then we shall see Him face to face,
With all His saints in that blest place
Which He has purchased for us.
- 7 O Jesus Christ, do not delay,
But hasten our salvation;
We often tremble on our way
In fear and tribulation.
O hear and grant our fervent plea:
Come, mighty judge, and set us free
From death and ev'ry evil.

Text: Bartholomäus Ringwaldt, 1532–99; tr. Philip A. Peter, 1832–1919, alt. Text: Public domain

Stand

Offertory

C What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?

I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

The Lord's Prayer

C 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.

Stand

Closing Collect

L Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, Almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this Thy Holy Word, and we implore 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.

C Amen.

Benediction

LSB 166

L The Lord bless us and keep us.

The Lord make His face shine on us and be gracious to us.

The Lord look upon us with favor and ✠ give us peace.

C Amen.

- 1 Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing,
Fill our hearts with joy and peace;
Let us each, Your love possessing,
Triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us; O refresh us,
Trav'ling through this wilderness.
- 2 Thanks we give and adoration
For Your Gospel's joyful sound.
May the fruits of Your salvation
In our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, ever faithful
To Your truth may we be found.
- 3 Savior, when Your love shall call us
From our struggling pilgrim way,
Let not fear of death appall us,
Glad Your summons to obey.
May we ever, may we ever
Reign with You in endless day.

Text (sts. 1–2): attr. John Fawcett, 1740–1817, alt.; (st. 3): Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, alt. Text: Public domain

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sunday Mornings: Sunday School @ 8:45 a.m. Divine Worship @ 10:00 a.m.

Bible Study: Will resume in the New Year. See you all then!

Confirmation Instruction Classes: There will be no Class this Thursday.

Choir Practices: We will be following Worship. Come out and join us in singing praises to the Lord!

Volunteers for Snow Shoveling of Church Sidewalks: We are looking for Volunteers to keep the sidewalks clear of snow this winter. If you are willing to help speak to Richard Rohn.

Poinsettias for CHRISTmas: Anyone wanting to bring or donate towards the purchase of Poinsettias for CHRISTmas please have them here for Sunday, November 27th. Also, please mark on your envelopes Poinsettias for CHRISTmas. Thank You!

CHRISTmas Carols & Dainties: Come out and join us in welcoming the Christ Child on Friday, November 25th @ 7:00 p.m. Hearing God's Word, Singing Carols, followed by Coffee & Dainties! There will be a sign-up sheet on the back table if you are planning on Attending as we need to know how many to prepare for!

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