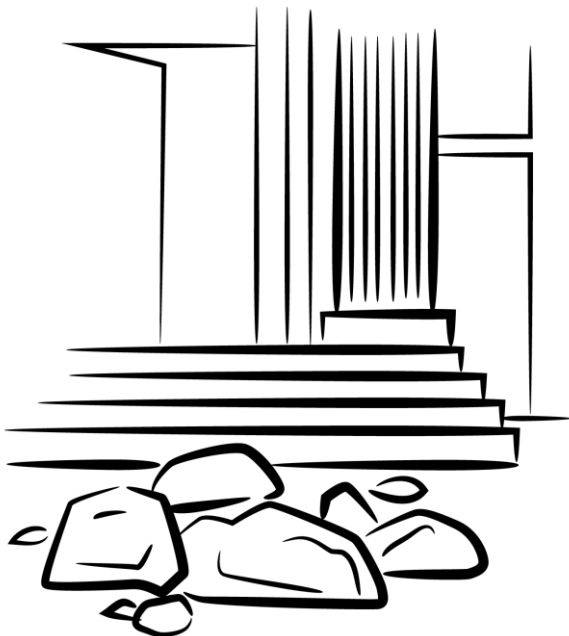


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Jesus as their Savior and grow in relationship with Him.

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**PSALM** *Ps. 121:1–2, 5, 7–8; antiphon: Luke 21:33*

*P: Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.*

**C: I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?**

*P: My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.*

**C: The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade on your right hand.**

*P: The Lord will keep you from all evil; He will keep your life.*

**C: The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.**

*P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;*

**C: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

*P: Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.*

*P: O Lord, have mercy on us.*

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** *Malachi 4:1-6*

<sup>1</sup> “For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. <sup>2</sup> But for you who fear My name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. <sup>3</sup> And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts. <sup>4</sup> Remember the law of My servant Moses, the statutes and rules that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel. <sup>5</sup> Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. <sup>6</sup> And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.”

*P: This is the Word of the Lord,*

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE READING**

*2 Thessalonians 3:6-13*

<sup>6</sup> Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. <sup>7</sup> For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, <sup>8</sup> nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. <sup>9</sup> It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. <sup>10</sup> For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. <sup>11</sup> For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. <sup>12</sup> Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. <sup>13</sup> As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

*P: This is the Word of the Lord,*

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand for the reading of the Gospel)*

*P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 21<sup>st</sup> chapter.*

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

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**

*Luke 21:5-28*

<sup>5</sup> And while some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, Jesus said, <sup>6</sup> "As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down." <sup>7</sup> And they asked Him, "Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?" <sup>8</sup> And He said, "See that you are not led astray. For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am He!' and, 'The time is at hand!' Do not go after them. <sup>9</sup> And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once." <sup>10</sup> Then He said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. <sup>11</sup> There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and

pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. <sup>12</sup> But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for My name's sake. <sup>13</sup> This will be your opportunity to bear witness. <sup>14</sup> Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, <sup>15</sup> for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. <sup>16</sup> You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. <sup>17</sup> You will be hated by all for My name's sake. <sup>18</sup> But not a hair of your head will perish. <sup>19</sup> By your endurance you will gain your lives. <sup>20</sup> But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near. <sup>21</sup> Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, <sup>22</sup> for these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all that is written. <sup>23</sup> Alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! For there will be great distress upon the earth and wrath against this people. <sup>24</sup> They will fall by the edge of the sword and be led captive among all nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled. <sup>25</sup> And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, <sup>26</sup> people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup> And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup> Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

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

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**HYMN** "Herald, Sound the Note of Judgment" ..... *LSB 511*

## **SERMON**

**TE DEUM** "We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God" ..... *LSB 941*

## **OFFERING**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

*O Lord, almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may live and abide forever in Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

**C: Amen.**

### ADDITIONAL PRAYERS

#### CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

*P: 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.**

*P: 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.**

*P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

**C: Amen.**

## SACRAMENT

If you are a confirmed member of a Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregation, we invite you to commune with us. If you are not a confirmed member of an LCMS congregation and would like to come forward with your family and friends during the distribution, please place your hands over your heart and you will receive a blessing.

## **PREFACE and PROPER PREFACE**

*P: The Lord be with you.*

**C: And also with you.**

*P: Lift up your hearts.*

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

*P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

*It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:*

## **SANCTUS**

(LSB 507)

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

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## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN** "The Day Is Surely Drawing Near" ..... LSB 508

## **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

*P: Thanks and praise be to You, O Lord, for through this sacred Meal You fill us with faith and increase Your gifts of hope and love. Help us to walk in the confidence that You walk with us. Grant us Your blessing; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*



**BENEDICAMUS**

*P: Let us bless the Lord.*



**BENEDICTION**

*P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*



**HYMN** "Fruitful Trees, the Spirit's Sowing" ..... *LSB 691*

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**READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK**  
**Last Sunday of the Church Year**  
Malachi 3:13-18  
Colossians 1:13-20  
Luke 23:27-43

**THIS WEEK – (November 13<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>)**

**Sunday:** Worship/HC, 9:00am; Christian Ed, 10:30am; **Christmas Plant Orders Due Today**

**Monday:** Hmong Mission Board, 5:00pm

**Tuesday: December Calendar Events Due;** Home Bible Study 1:00pm; Board of Evangelism, 4:45pm

**Wednesday:** Bible Study, 8:30am; CLC Quilters, 9:30am; Confirmation Class 2<sup>nd</sup> year, 5:00pm; Confirmation Class 1<sup>st</sup> year, 6:00pm; CLAY Meeting 6:00pm

**Thursday:** Bethesda Work Day, 1:00pm; Worship/HC, 6:30pm; Bible Class 7:30pm

**Sunday:** Worship/HC, 9:00am; Christian Ed, 10:30am

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE (Week ending 11/06/16)**

General Fund: \$10,715.50; Blessings \$70.00; Memorial: \$150.00;

Miscellaneous: \$489.99

Total Attendance: 174 (Midweek: 31; Sunday: 143)

**CLC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GUESTS AND VISITORS:** We are glad you are here! We invite you to join us for fellowship and Bible class following the service.

Bathrooms are located upstairs on each end of the fellowship/Bible study area.

**C.L.A.Y. (youth group) FUNDRAISER – CHRISTMAS PLANT**

**ORDERS ARE DUE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13<sup>th</sup>.** Please make check payable to 'C.L.A.Y. Fundraiser', enclose payment with your order form in an envelope marked 'C.L.A.Y. Fundraiser' then put it in Bobbie Lutzow's mailbox. Thank you for helping us with our fundraiser.

**ADVENT DEVOTION BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE!** They are located on the small table in the narthex. Pick yours up today!

**A Concert of Music and Meditation** focusing on the coming of our Savior will be held on **Sunday, November 27** here at Christ Lutheran. Hor d'oeuvres will be served at 5:30 with the concert beginning at 6:00. A collection will be taken to benefit local outreach.

**You are invited** to attend the ordination service for Peter Heckert on Saturday, November 19 at 2:00 p.m. here at Christ Lutheran. He will be installed at St. James Lutheran Church, Lafayette, IN at a later date.

**HUMAN CARE FOR NOVEMBER:** The items needed include: warm socks, gloves, pullover hooded sweatshirts, hand/foot warmers. Thank you for donation to the Wausau Community Warming Center!



**C.L.A.Y. is willing to help! DO YOU NEED HELP WITH FALL CHORES or CLEANUP?** Please sign up at the table under the C.L.A.Y. glass-enclosed white board in the fellowship room near the mailboxes. On the sign-up sheet, please include your name, address, phone number, and job description.

**ADDITION TO THE QUILTERS ARTICLE IN THE CROSSWALK** – 14 dresses were sewn and delivered to the Orphan Grain Train.

**THE LANDSCAPE PROJECT** for the area between the two entrances is done for this Fall. The rest of the project will resume next spring. We are on Land Art's Spring list for a consultation and estimate so that we can complete the project at that time. I would like to thank Jack Mathie, Lyle Kruger, Frank Henry, and Steve Bahr for their help in getting the area cleaned out and prepared for next Spring's plantings. – Linda Benda