

# Last Sunday of the Church Year

Sunday, November 25, 2018



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The Mission of Christ Lutheran Church is to help all people know  
Jesus as their Savior and grow in relationship with Him.

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**HYMN** "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying" ..... LSB 516

*P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

**C: Amen.**

### **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.**

### **INTROIT**

*Ps. 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.*

**C: 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.*

**C: And now, O Lord, for what do I wait? My hope is in You.**

*P: Deliver me from all my transgressions. Do not make me the scorn of the fool!*

**C: Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry; hold not Your peace at my tears!**

*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.**

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## **KYRIE**

*P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.*



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

*P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.*



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

*P: 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 mer - cy.

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



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

*P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.*



**C** A - men.

## **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

*P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.*

**C** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:  
 We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.  
 Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:  
 You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.  
 You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.  
 For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,  
 You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,  
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

**SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*P: The Lord be with you.*

**C** And al - so 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.*



### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Isaiah 51:4-6*

<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.

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

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **EPISTLE READING**

*Jude 20-25*

<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.

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

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **ALLELUIA**

**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter.*



☐ Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**

*Mark 13:24-37*

<sup>24</sup> Jesus said, “But 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.*



☐ Praise to You, O Christ.

**HYMN** “Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray” ..... *LSB 663*

**SERMON**

**APOSTLES CREED**

**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**

*P:* Lord, in Your mercy,  
*C:* hear our prayer.

### **WE WORSHIP THE LORD WITH OUR OFFERINGS**

#### **OFFERTORY**

**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa-lem.

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

### PREFACE

*P: The Lord be with you.*



☐ And al - so with you.

*P: Lift up your hearts.*



☐ We lift them to the Lord.

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



☐ It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

*P: 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; for You have mightily governed and protected Your holy Church, in which the blessed apostles and evangelists proclaimed Your divine and saving Gospel. Therefore with patriarchs and prophets, apostles and evangelists, with Your servant Matthew, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:*

### SANCTUS



☐ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en 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 who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.



## **PRAYER of THANKSGIVING**

*P: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.*

*Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

**C: Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*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.**

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

### **PAX DOMINI**

*P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.*



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

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.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN** "The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns" ..... *LSB 532*

**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**

**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.  
 Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.  
 He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy  
 with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

**POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

*P: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and 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.*



## **BENEDICTION**

*P: 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.*



**HYMN** "O Word of God Incarnate" ..... **LSB 523**

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## **THIS WEEK AT CLC — (11/25/18 – 12/2/18)**

**Sunday:** Worship/HC, 9:00am; Education Hour, 10:30am

**Tuesday:** Church Council, 6:30pm

**Wednesday:** Bible class, 8:30am; 2<sup>nd</sup> year Confirmation, 5:00pm; 1<sup>st</sup> year Confirmation, 6:00pm

**Saturday:** Christmas Decorating, 9:00am

**Sunday:** Worship/HC, 9:00am; Education Hour, 10:30am

## **OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE (Week ending November 18, 2018)**

General & Building Funds: \$4358.85; Blessings: \$20.30

Attendance: Thursday: 24; Sunday: 106

## **CLC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GUESTS AND VISITORS:** We are glad you are here! We invite you to join us for fellowship following the service. Bathrooms are located upstairs on each end of the fellowship/Bible study area.

**CHRISTMAS DECORATING:** Help is needed for putting up the Christmas decorations. We will be undertaking the adventure this Saturday, December 1, beginning at 9:00. See you there!

Join the **LADIES GUILD** for their **CHRISTMAS PARTY** on Tuesday, December 4. Gather for fellowship and punch at 5:30pm. A meal will follow. Drinks and dessert will be provided. Bring an appetizer, salad, or main dish to fill out the menu. See the Ladies Guild bulletin board for further details and to sign up.

Faith in Action of Marathon County's **HOLIDAY CARE DRIVE** for seniors is under way. Non-perishable food and personal care items are being gathered. Look for the collection box on the north end of the fellowship hall.

### **WEATHER CANCELLATIONS FOR CHURCH SERVICES /**

**ACTIVITIES:** Please check Channel 9 TV's website, the CLC website or Facebook page, or call the church at 715-848-2040 and press option "6".

**LADIES GUILD HUMAN CARE** for November is collecting monetary donations to purchase Bibles for Greater Wausau Christian Services.

### **"LIFE QUOTES" from Lutherans For Life**

"God is the ultimate Designer. He designed the greatest good the world has ever seen to come from the most heinous evil mankind has ever produced. You are never too stained for God to love. When you are feeling weak and foolish, give thanks to God for that, because that's exactly the kind of person that God likes to use." *Rev. Dan Larsen is pastor of Bethany Lutheran Church, Wabasso, Minnesota, and Trinity Lutheran Church, Sanborn, Minnesota –*  
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