



LIVING WORD LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Growing Family of Faith

November 22, 2020

Christ the King Sunday

Thanksgiving Worship Sunday



ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PASTORAL GREETING

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP *(based on Psalm 113)*

P: We are called together to worship today in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen!**

P. Let us praise the name of the Lord.

C. God is wonderful! Yesterday, today and forever!

P. The Lord our God has done marvelous things.

C. We are blessed more than we could ever imagine!

P. For all the amazing gifts we have been given,

ALL: We praise the name of the Lord!

GATHERING SONG "Here I Am To Worship"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

P: Most merciful God,

C. We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Congregational response: AMEN

(Please be seated)

WORSHIP SONG "We Gather Together"

SCRIPTURE LESSONS **FIRST LESSON**

R. The first lesson is from the book of Ephesians 1:15-23:

¹⁵ For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, ¹⁸ having the eyes of your hearts

enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints,¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might²⁰ that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places,²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come.²² And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church,²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

R. This is the word of the Lord ***C. Thanks be to God.***

RESPONSIVE PSALM R. The responsive Psalm is Psalm 95: 1-7a:

R.¹ Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

C.² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

R.³ For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

C.⁴ In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

R.⁵ The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

C.⁶ Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

R.⁷ For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

R. Here ends the reading of the Psalm. Please join me in our next worship song.

WORSHIP SONG "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

GOSPEL LESSON (Please rise as you are able)

R. The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 25th chapter, verses 31-46:

C. Glory to you, O Lord

³¹ "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. ³² Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³ And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. ³⁴ Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. ³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶ I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' ³⁷ Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? ³⁸ And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? ³⁹ And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' ⁴⁰ And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.' ⁴¹ "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴² For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, ⁴³ I was a stranger and you did

not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’⁴⁴ Then they also will answer, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?’⁴⁵ Then he will answer them, saying, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’⁴⁶ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

R. This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C. Praise to you, O Christ.**

APOSTLE’S CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 life everlasting. Amen.

(Please be seated)

SERMON SONG “Give Thanks”

MESSAGE Pastor Brandon Scroggins

OFFERING PRAYER P. The Lord be with you. **C. And also with you.** P. Let us pray.....**C. We offer with joy and thanksgiving what You have first given us – ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of Your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Him who offered Himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (Please remain standing as you are able)

Following general prayers you are encouraged to share other prayer concerns out loud. Please close your prayer concern with “Lord in your mercy”.

HOLY COMMUNION

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 our thanks and praise.**

P. It is indeed right and salutary.....we praise your name and join their unending proclamation: **C. (singing) Holy, holy, holy,**

My heart, my heart adores you!

My heart is glad to say the words:

You are holy, Lord!

Communion Prayer, Consecration of Elements, Lord’s Prayer (please join hands)

(Please be seated during distribution of communion)

We welcome everyone to the Lord's Table who shares the Biblical belief that He is present (1 Cor. 10:16) and our sins are being forgiven as He promises (Matt.26:28). This sacrament is a truly wonderful opportunity to share this miracle and our oneness as the Body of Christ together! (1Cor. 10:17-18)

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE *(please rise as you are able)*

BLESSING/BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG "Now Thank We All Our God"

P. Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **C. Thanks be to God!**

**God Bless You! Join us following worship for our Thanksgiving Dinner Fellowship!
Have a Blessed Thanksgiving Day!**



- Until we begin taking the offering during the service again don't forget to use the offering plates at the rear of the church. Drop in your offering as you arrive to worship, after Communion, or as you leave after worship. **Thank you and Blessings to all!**
- **Social distancing??** As our attendance grows more toward "normal" we have gone back to seating by rows **but** adding more rows so everyone can choose their "social distancing" by spacing themselves from non-family, etc. Remember we have plenty of masks and hand sanitizer available as well!



- Nov. 25-Men's Bible Study and Fellowship 8 AM
- Nov. 29-**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
- Dec. 2-Advent Mid-week devotions, soup supper 6 PM, followed by special Advent devotions

Post Communion Canticle

Thank the Lord and sing His praise
tell ev-ery-one what He has done
Let all who seek the Lord re-joice
and proud-ly bear His name.
He re-calls His prom-is-es
and leads His pe-ople forth in joy
With shouts of thanks-giv-ing
Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia.

Here I Am to Worship

Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Open my eyes let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You
 Chorus Here I am to worship
 Here I am to bow down
 Here I am to say that You're my God
 You're altogether lovely
 Altogether worthy
 Altogether wonderful to me
King of all days oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came to the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor
 Chorus
I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
 Chorus

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We Gather Together

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing
He chastens and hastens, His will to make known
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing
Sing praises to His name; He forgets not His own
Beside us to guide us our God with us joining
Ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine
So from the beginning the fight we were winning
Thou Lord were at our side; all glory be Thine
We all do extol Thee Thou Leader triumphant
And pray that Thou still our Defender will be
Let Thy congregation escape tribulation
Thy name be ever praised; O Lord make us free

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Come Ye Thankful People Come

Come ye thankful people come, raise the song of harvest home
All is safely gathered in ere the winter storms begin
God our maker doth provide for our wants to be supplied
Come to God's own temple come, raise the song of harvest home
For the Lord our God shall come and shall take the harvest home;
From the field shall in that day all offenses purge away
Giving angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast;
But the fruitful ears to store in the garner evermore.
Even so Lord, quickly come, bring Thy final harvest home;
Gather Thou Thy people in, free from sorrow free from sin
There forever purified in Thy presence to abide
Come with all Thine angels come,
Raise the glorious harvest home

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Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given

Jesus Christ His Son (repeat verse)

Chorus

And now let the weak say I am strong

Let the poor say I am rich

Because of what the Lord has done for us (repeat chorus)

Give thanks

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Now Thank We All Our God

Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices
Who wondrous things hath done, in Whom His world rejoices
Who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us
And keep us in His grace and guide us when perplexed
And free us from all ills in this world and the next

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given
The Son and Him who reigns with them in highest Heaven
The one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore Amen

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