

Worship For November 21, 2021

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WELCOME TO CHRIST!

We are so glad that you joined us to worship our Lord Jesus today, and welcome to our church! Christ is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). We have been gathering around Word and sacrament since 1976. Our pastor would be happy to answer your questions about our service, our beliefs, or communicant membership in our congregation. Please join us again soon!

INFORMATION

Our restrooms are located by going to the right out of the sanctuary doors and proceeding down the hallway. They are at the end of the hallway on the right. There is also a **family restroom** with a changing station out the sanctuary doors to the left and around the corner.

We love hearing little ones in God's house but if you feel like your child needs a moment there are speakers to hear the service as well as books and toys in the entryway

Our guest register is located in the entryway. Please leave us a record of your visit and we will be glad to supply you with more information about our church.

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DIVINE SERVICE I

This liturgy, <u>found on page 15 in the blue supplement</u>, is a version of the historic liturgy of the Christian church.

PASTOR'S WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD GOD ALMIGHTY | #195

Please Stand.

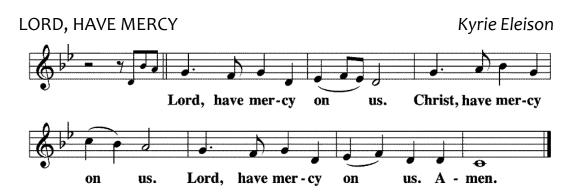
GATHERING

L: In the name of the Father, and of the Son ₹ and of the Holy Spirit.

C: (spoken) Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

- L: Fellow loved ones of Christ: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



ABSOLUTION

- L: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son ♣ and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: (spoken) Amen.
- L: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

All Sing: Glo-ry to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly, King, almighty God and Father,

We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory,

Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.

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,
Receive our prayer.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, With the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Glory to God, glory to God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Let us pray.

C: 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.

Please be seated.

THE WORD

FIRST READING Daniel 7:13, 14

¹³I kept watching the night visions, and there, in the clouds of heaven, I saw one like a son of man coming. He came to the Ancient of Days, and he was brought before him. ¹⁴To him was given dominion, honor, and a kingdom. All peoples, nations, and languages will worship him. His dominion is an eternal dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will not be destroyed.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 45 | pg. 83



SECOND READING Revelation 1:4b-8

Grace to you and peace from him who is, who was, and who is coming, and from the seven spirits that are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his own blood ⁶ and made us a kingdom and priests to God his Father—to him be the glory and the power forever. Amen. ⁷ Look, he is coming with clouds, and every eye will see him, including those who pierced him. And all the nations of the earth will mourn because of him. Yes. Amen. ⁸ "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, the one who is, and who was, and who is coming, the Almighty.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Revelation 22:13

Alleluia. I am the Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. Alleluia. *Please stand.*

L: The Gospel according to John 18.



GOSPEL John 18:33-37

³³ Pilate went back into the Praetorium and summoned Jesus. He asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴ Jesus answered, "Are you saying this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" ³⁵ Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶ Jesus replied, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would fight so that I would not be handed over to the Jews. But now my kingdom is not from here." ³⁷ "You are a king then?" Pilate asked. Jesus answered, "I am, as you say, a king. For this reason I was born, and for this reason I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

L: The Gospel of our Lord.



NICENE CREED

C: 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.

Please be seated.

Sunday School Children

"Children of the Heavenly Father"

All:

4. Though he giveth or he taketh, God his children ne'er forsaketh; His the loving purpose solely To preserve them pure and holy.

SERMON Daniel 7:13, 14
Theme: "The King Comes to Rule Forever"

CREATE IN ME Psalm 51

All sing: Create in me a pure heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit with in me.
Do not cast me away from your presence
Or take your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
And uphold, uphold me with your free Spirit.

THANK OFFERING

1 Corinthians 16:2; 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

The members of Christ Lutheran join together to do the Lord's work in Cambridge and throughout the world in our church body, the WELS. Guests need not feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry. (Due to COVID19 the offering plate will not be passed around. If you would like to make a donation please place your offering in the basket by the doors to the sanctuary. You can also make use of online giving through the VancoMobile app or by going to the church's website (www.christcambridge.com) and selecting the "Donate" tab under "About" in the site menu.)

As we pause to look at stewardship this morning we are reminded of the lesson Revelation 1 reminds us of, grace and peace are yours. To the Triune God be glory forever and ever! Why? Our Heavenly Father loves us. Christ Jesus, the firstborn from the dead, has freed us from our sins by his blood shed on the cross. The

Holy Spirit has brought us into a special relationship with God—giving us a unique status and service. In response to God's love, we glorify God with thanksgiving. We glorify him through our service, worship, and offerings. This glorifying of our God is not just a Sunday morning task. Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do it all to the glory of God. It permeates our life. It shows itself in our love for people. Christ the King is coming. To him be glory and power forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

L: Lord Jesus Christ, you have given us opportunity once again today to get a glimpse of the glory that is and will be yours that we might remember and believe that you are King of kings and Lord of Lords. You are the Lamb who sits on the throne, the One to whom the hosts of heaven sing their praises, the One who rules over all things.

C: While we await that day when we shall see you in all your glory, give us peace day by day through what you reveal to us in your Word. May we always remember that you are guiding and directing all things according to your eternal, perfect wisdom, especially those difficult matters that we struggle to understand.

L: O Lord, you have given your people much to do while we await your return. We are to take your Gospel to all the nations. We are to build one another up in love. We are to serve those around us as you did. By ourselves, this would be impossible. But you have promised us your Holy Spirit who will equip and empower us for this work. Enable us and all the saints to go forward in the tasks to which you have called us.

C: Bless the congregations in our district, especially those that are facing challenges. Be with our district branch of WELS Kingdom Workers as it carries out its ministry to provide aid and assistance to congregations and the mission board. Provide our area Lutheran High Schools and our schools of ministry with the resources necessary to educate those entrusted to its care. Strengthen the Lutheran Women's Missionary Society to pursue its purpose of supporting missions and missionaries both at home and abroad.

L: Ruler of nations, you raise up peoples and powers to carry out your will. We hear of the wars and rumors of war around the world and remind ourselves that you have said this is the way it will be until you come again. Reports of brutalities and atrocities that take place are difficult for us to fathom. Do not let us become dismayed by that which comes to our ears, but give us eyes that see the opportunity for service and move us to take advantage of the same.

C: Do not let us grow weary of doing good. Help us to remember that we will reap a harvest of blessing if we do not give up.

L: Lord of the Nations, we ask your blessing upon those who govern in our land, whether it be at the local, state or national level. Give all who serve a spirit of humility and righteousness as they carry out their responsibilities so that they may exercise them in a way that is a blessing to them and those they represent.

C: Give us and our nation the ability to pause this Thursday to thank you for the many good things you provide to us day by day. The temptation is always there to be ungrateful because we don't recognize all the blessings you have given us – especially those that come to us in the form of trouble or hardship. Preserve us from that error so that we may always find our joy in you. Keep safe the many who will be travelling over this holiday weekend.

L: Listen now, O Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

L: Dear Savior, we look forward to that day when we will see you in all your glory and majesty and bring petitions before you no more. Until that time, give us confidence to continue to pray as you have taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER

Luke 11:1-4; Matthew 6:9-13

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

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

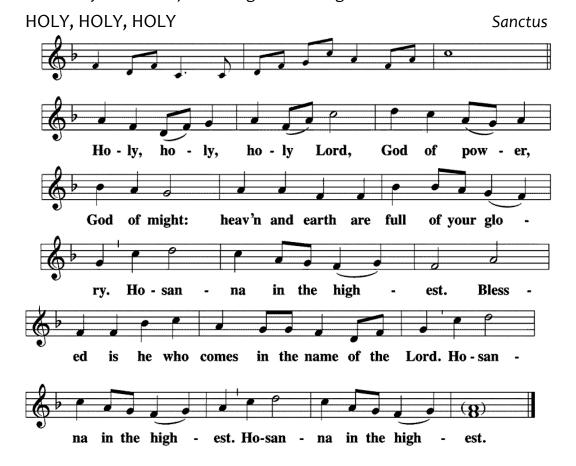
L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: It is good and right so to do.

L: 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:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

1Corinthians 11:23-25

L: 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.

C: (spoken) AMEN



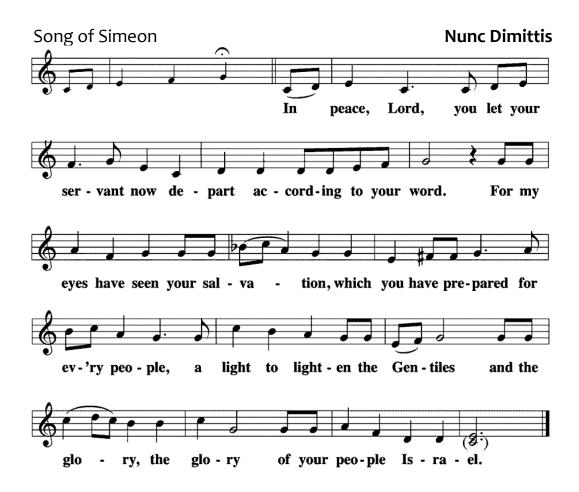
DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

God tells us in the Bible that his Supper is for sinners who are accurately instructed in his word, who examine themselves by living in repentance, and who recognize the miraculous real presence of Jesus' body and blood. It is our joy and honor to use God's Hoy Word. Therefore, we invite only current members of Christ, (and those from sister WELS and ELS congregations) come forward to receive the Sacrament at the direction of the ushers. If you have questions, please speak with Pastor before taking part in the sacrament. He welcomes the chance to study what God says with you. Thank you so much for honoring God's Word in this manner.

 \Rightarrow One option for preparation is available in the red hymnal on page 156.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

THE HEAD THAT ONCE WAS CROWNED | #217



L: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: And his mercy endures forever.

L: O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (spoken) AMEN.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE LORD'S BLESSING

Numbers 6:24-26

L: 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.

C: (spoken) AMEN.

CLOSING HYMN:

BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR | #369