

# Last Sunday of the Church Year

November 21, 2021

## Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## Kyrie

- P** Lord, have mercy upon us.  
**C** Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

## Confession & Absolution

- P** Let us confess our sin to God:  
O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, be the God of your people today!
- C** We confess that we have worshiped too many other gods.  
We have devoted ourselves to all too many different values.  
Turn our hearts to you again!
- P** O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, be the God of your people today!
- C** We confess that we have visited all too many sanctuaries.  
We have tried to find the sources of life in all too many other places.  
Turn our hearts to you again!
- P** O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, be the God of your people today!
- C** We turn to you, and to you alone, to be our God, our only God.  
Forgive our sins. Give us spiritual integrity. Give us wholeness and holiness.  
Answer us in the name of Christ, for he has promised to intercede for us.  
It is in him that we pray in the fellowship of his body.  
Amen.
- P** Because of Jesus, God has forgiven all our sin. Hear the gospel of Christ from 1 John:  
"We have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the expiation  
for our sins, and not for ours only but for the sins of the whole world."
- C** Amen.

## Opening Hymn #814

## O Bless the Lord, My Soul



1 O bless the Lord, my soul! Let all with - in me join  
 2 O bless the Lord, my soul, Nor let His mer - cies lie  
 3 'Tis He for - gives thy sins; 'Tis He re - lieves thy pain;  
 4 He crowns thy life with love When ran - somed from the grave;



And aid my tongue to bless His name Whose fa - vors are di - vine.  
 For - got - ten in un - thank - ful - ness And with - out prais - es die!  
 'Tis He that heals thy sick - ness - es And makes thee young a - gain.  
 He that re - deemed my soul from hell Hath sov - 'reign pow'r to save.

5 He fills the poor with good;  
 He gives the suff'ers rest.  
 The Lord hath judgments for the proud  
 And justice for th'oppressed.

6 His wondrous works and ways  
 He made by Moses known,  
 But sent the world His truth and grace  
 By His beloved Son.

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## Psalm

## Psalm 93

- P** The LORD reigns; he is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed; he has put on strength as his belt.
- C** Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.
- P** Your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting.
- C** The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring.
- P** Mightier than the thunders of many waters, mightier than the waves of the sea, the LORD on high is mighty!
- C** Your decrees are very trustworthy; holiness befits your house, O LORD, forevermore.

## 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."

## Epistle

## 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.



1 Lo! He comes with clouds de - scend - ing,  
2 Ev - 'ry eye shall now be - hold Him  
3 Those dear to - kens of His pas - sion  
4 Yea, a - men, let all a - dore Thee,



Once for ev - 'ry sin - ner slain;  
Robed in glo - rious maj - es - ty;  
Still His daz - zling bod - y bears,  
High on Thine e - ter - nal throne;



Thou - sand thou - sand saints at - tend - ing  
Those who set at naught and sold Him,  
Cause of end - less ex - ul - ta - tion  
Sav - ior, take the pow'r and glo - ry,



Swell the tri - umph of His train:  
Pierced the and nailed Him to the tree,  
To His ran - somed wor - ship - ers.  
Claim the king - dom as Thine own.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
Deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly  
With what rap - ture, with what rap - ture, with what  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.  
wail - ing, Shall their true Mes - si - ah see.  
rap - ture Gaze we on those glo - rious scars!  
lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and Thou a - lone!

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**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth chapter.

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

<sup>24</sup>[Jesus said:] “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.

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

## Sermon

### Prayer

**P** Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

### Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life  $\text{✠}$  of the world to come. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Holy Communion

Distribution Hymn

His Mercy is More

What love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done? Om -  
What pa - tience would wait as we con - stant - ly roam? What  
What rich - es of kind - ness He lav - ished on us. His

ni - scient, all know - ing, He counts not their sum. Thrown  
Fa - ther, so ten - der, is call - ing us home? He  
blood was the pay - ment; His life was the cost. We

in - to a sea with - out bot - tom or shore, our  
wel - comes the weak - est, the vil - est, the poor. Our  
stood 'neath a debt we could nev - er af - ford. Our

sins, they are man - y; His mer - cy is more.  
sins, they are man - y; His mer - cy is more. Praise the Lord,  
sins, they are man - y; His mer - cy is more.

His mer - cy is more. Strong - er than dark - ness,

new ev - 'ry morn. Our sins, they are man - y; His mer - cy is more.

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## Distribution Hymn #971

## There Is a Redeemer



1 There is a Re - deem - er— Je - sus, God's own Son;  
 2 Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, Name a - bove all names;  
 3 When I stand in glo - ry, I will see His face;



Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Ho - ly One.  
 Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Hope for sin - ners slain.  
 There I'll serve my King for-ev - er In that ho - ly place.

*Refrain*



Thank You, O my Fa - ther, For giv-ing us Your Son,



And leav - ing Your Spir-it Till the work on earth is done.

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## Distribution Hymn #761

## Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me



1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee;  
 2 Not the la - bors of my hands Can ful - fill Thy Law's de-mands;  
 3 Noth - ing in my hand I bring; Sim - ply to Thy cross I cling.  
 4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, When mine eye - lids close in death,



Let the wa - ter and the blood, From Thy riv - en side which flowed,  
 Could my zeal no res - pite know, Could my tears for - ev - er flow,  
 Na - ked, come to Thee for dress; Help - less, look to Thee for grace;  
 When I soar to worlds un-known, See Thee on Thy judg - ment throne,



Be of sin the dou - ble cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.  
 All for sin could not a - tone; Thou must save, and Thou a - lone.  
 Foul, I to the foun-tain fly; Wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.  
 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee.

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## Nunc Dimittis

**P** Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace according to Your Word.

**C** For my eyes have seen Your salvation,

Which You have prepared before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles and to be the glory of Your people Israel.

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.

# Closing Hymn #643

# Sent Forth by God's Blessing

1 Sent forth by God's bless-ing, Our true faith con-fess-ing,  
 2 With praise and thanks-giv-ing To God ev-er-liv-ing,  
 The peo-ple of God from His dwell-ing take leave.  
 The tasks of our ev-'ry-day life we will face.  
 The Sup-per is end-ed, O now be ex-tend-ed  
 Our faith ev-er shar-ing, In love ev-er car-ing,  
 The fruits of this ser-vice in all who be-lieve.  
 Em-brac-ing His chil-dren of each tribe and race.  
 The seed of His teach-ing, Re-cep-tive souls reach-ing,  
 With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;  
 Shall blos-som in ac-tion for God and for all.  
 U-nite us as one in this life that we share.  
 His grace did in-vite us, His love shall u-nite us  
 Then may all the liv-ing With praise and thanks-giv-ing  
 To work for God's king-dom and an-swer His call.  
 Give hon-or to Christ and His name that we bear.

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## 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.  
**C** Amen.

# Announcements

## Today

- Please join us for a **“Ministry Spotlight,”** with Kevin Williams from **Unity Lutheran School** during adult Bible study this morning.
- **Bible Study** 9:15 AM Masks Optional: Adults meet in the Sanctuary; Children meet downstairs
- **Youth Confirmation** 12:00 PM – 12:45 PM
- **Sunday Evening Prayer** 5:30 PM

## ❖ No New Member Class

## Tuesday

- **Men’s Bible Study** – 6:30 – 7:30 AM
- **Youth Group** – 6:30- 8:00 PM

## Wednesday

- **Zoom Bible Study** (*The Screwtape Letters*) 7:00 PM. Contact Aaron for a Zoom invitation.

## Saturday

## ❖ No Women of Faith Bible Study November 27th

**Youth Group Prayer Vigil.** Please join us here at the church Tuesday night 11/30. Our youth group is hosting a prayer vigil that night. Join us as pray alongside our sister LCMS churches across the nation for our US Supreme Court ahead of a major abortion case set to be heard December 1st. Coffee bar provided. Contact Stacey Staake or Pam Meister for more details.

**Granite City Homeless Outreach.** On Saturday 12/11/21 from 12:30-3:00pm our youth group will be serving at the Community Care Center at 1818 Cleveland Blvd Granite City, IL. We need volunteers to help setup, serve a hot to go lunch (provided by Ravenelli’s), visit with our homeless guests and help them get the clothing and supplies they need. Donations needed: Men’s hoodies of all sizes, durable outdoor men’s shoes, socks, gloves, hats, blankets.  
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