

LUTHERAN CHAPEL



MALACHI 4 AND JOHN 18:33-37

“THE SECOND COMING”

The LORD is in control of history, the cosmos, and He comes to call all humanity in Jesus “to testify to the truth” that we may belong to the truth “listening to My voice” (re: 18:37).

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***BOLD** indicates congregational responses.*

** Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.*

GATHER

WELCOME

PRELUDE

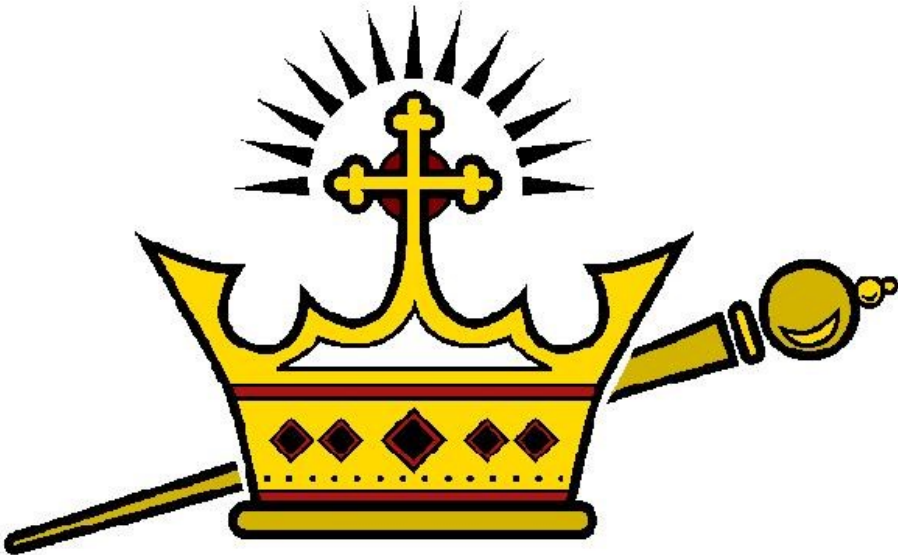
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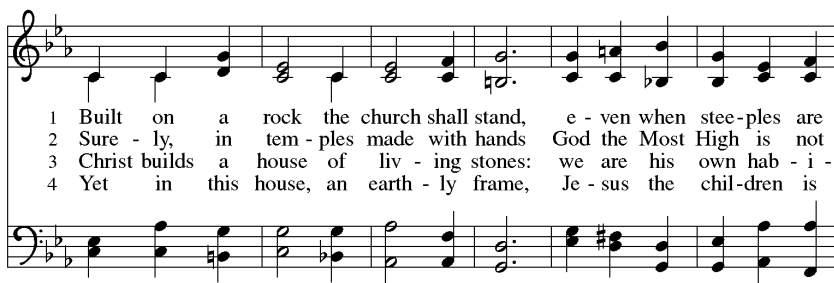
GREETING

Matthew 11:28-30

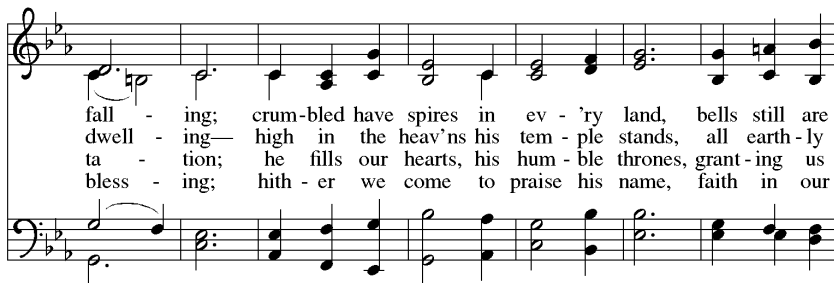
P: We gather together in the name of the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

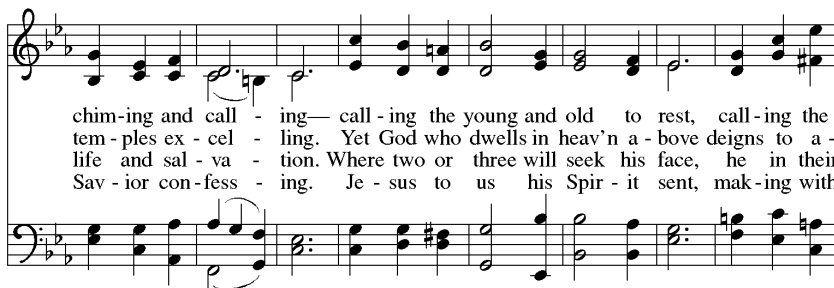




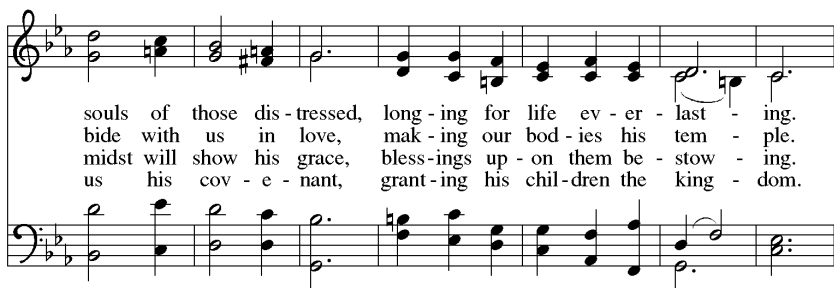
1 Built on a rock the church shall stand, e - ven when stee - ples are
 2 Sure - ly, in tem - ples made with hands God the Most High is not
 3 Christ builds a house of liv - ing stones: we are his own hab - i -
 4 Yet in this house, an earth - ly frame, Je - sus the chil - dren is



fall - ing; crum - bled have spires in ev - 'ry land, bells still are
 dwell - ing— high in the heav'ns his tem - ple stands, all earth - ly
 ta - tion; he fills our hearts, his hum - ble thrones, grant - ing us
 bless - ing; hith - er we come to praise his name, faith in our



chim-ing and call - ing— call - ing the young and old to rest, call - ing the
 tem - ples ex - cel - ling. Yet God who dwells in heav'n a - bove deigns to a -
 life and sal - va - tion. Where two or three will seek his face, he in their
 Sav - ior con - fess - ing. Je - sus to us his Spir - it sent, mak - ing with



souls of those dis - tressed, long - ing for life ev - er - last - ing.
 bide with us in love, mak - ing our bod - ies his tem - ple.
 midst will show his grace, bless - ings up - on them be - stow - ing.
 us his cov - e - nant, grant - ing his chil - dren the king - dom.

- 5 Through all the passing years, O Lord,
 grant that, when church bells are ringing,
 many may come to hear your Word,
 who here this promise is bringing:
 "I know my own, my own know me;
 you, not the world, my face shall see;
 my peace I leave with you. Amen."

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

*Elizabeth Alejandra Lagos
Gabriella Natasha Lagos*

Presentation

In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

The presiding minister addresses parents who bring for baptism children who are not able to answer for themselves.

P: Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your children baptized into Christ?

Response: I do.

P: As you bring Elizabeth and Gabriella to receive the gift of baptism you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with them among God's faithful people, bring them to the word of God and the holy supper, teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in their hands the holy Scriptures, and nurture them in faith and prayer, so that your children may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God has made, and work for justice and peace. Do you promise to help your children grow in the Christian faith and life?

Response: I do and I ask God to help me.

The presiding minister addresses sponsors or godparents.

P: Do you promise to nurture them in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Holy Spirit, and to help them live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Response: I do and I ask God to help me.

The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

P: People of God, do you promise to support them and pray for them in their new life in Christ.

Response: We do and we ask God to help us.

Profession of Faith

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Response: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Response: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Response: **I renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

Do believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

Thanksgiving at the Font

P: The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayer is lifted up recalling God's mighty works from creation to the days of Noah, the Exodus, the baptism of our Lord Jesus, and the Great Commission given to the church and leading up to now.

Administration of Baptism and Welcome

Holy Baptism is administered by water poured on the head or immersion into the waters.

P: I baptize you in the Name of the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen!

The presiding minister marks the sign of the cross on the forehead of the newly baptized and may anoint with oil.

P: Elizabeth and Gabriella, children of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Amen!

A lighted candle may be given to the newly baptized sharing the words of Jesus from the Gospel of Matthew 5:13.

Let your light so shine before others that they see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Amen!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(In Unison)

P: The Lord be with you.

Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

MALACHI 4

¹ See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ²But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. ³And 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.

⁴Remember the teaching of my servant Moses, the statutes and ordinances that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

⁵Lo, I will send you the prophet Elijah before the great and terrible day of the LORD comes. ⁶He will turn the hearts of parents to their children and the hearts of children to their parents, so that I will not come and strike the land with a curse.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Congregational refrain:

¹The Lord is King, with majesty enrobed;
the Lord is robed with might,
and girded round with power.

Refrain:

²The world You made firm, not to be moved;
Your throne has stood firm from of old.
From all eternity, O Lord, You are.

Refrain:

³Truly Your decrees are to be trusted.
Holiness is fitting to Your house,
O Lord, until the end of time.

Refrain:

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SECOND LESSON**REVELATION 1:4b-8**

The book of Revelation begins by celebrating the Almighty God, who spans all of time. Similarly, Jesus is celebrated as the firstborn from the dead who rules over the world's rulers. He is the one whose return we eagerly await.

^{4b}Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.
So it is to be. Amen.

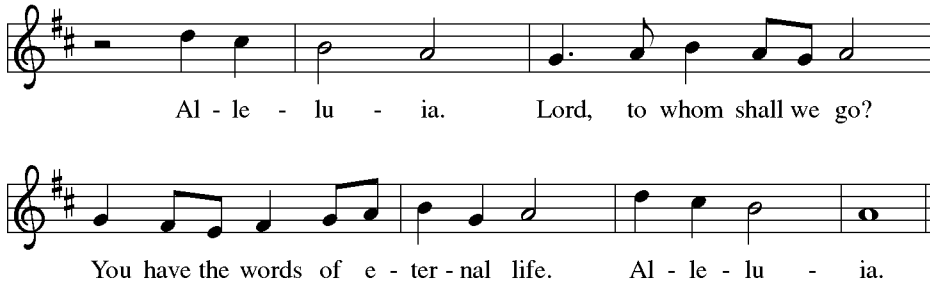
⁸“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Joel 2:13

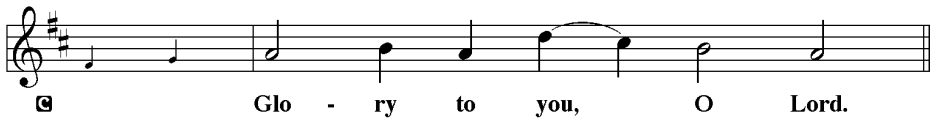


***GOSPEL**

JOHN 18:33-37

Those who are able may stand to honor Christ during the reading of the Gospel.

Response after the announcement:

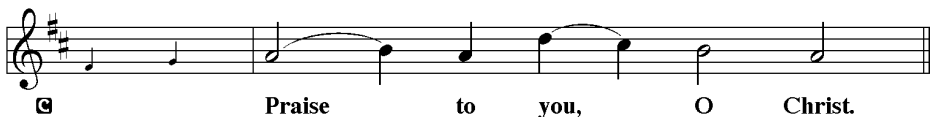


In John's gospel, the story of Jesus and Pilate presents two different ways of exercising power: through force or with love.

³³Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” ³⁴Jesus answered, “Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?”

³⁵Pilate replied, “I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?” ³⁶Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.” ³⁷Pilate asked him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



MESSAGE

"The Second Coming"

Commitment to God and One Another

The True King

The Law is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus' saving power: Isn't this all about taking care of #1 first?

The Gospel is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus' ultimate saving power: Jesus reveals the true nature of the King of all is sacrificial love now and forever.

So What? Learning of and from Jesus: Focus on the will of God first and always. Let go of vanity and worldly foolishness - it does not last. Remember the Cross of Christ the King and His sacrificial love is for you and me.



Refrain

My Lord, what a morn-ing; my Lord, what a morn-ing; oh,

my Lord, what a morn-ing, when the stars be-gin to fall.

1 You will hear the trum-pet sound,
 2 You will hear the sin-ner cry, to wake the na-tions un-der - ground,
 3 You will hear the Chris-tian shout,

Refrain

look-ing to my God's right hand, when the stars be-gin to fall.

ANTHEM

"The Threefold Truth"

CHANCEL CHOIR

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This is the threefold truth on which our faith depends;
and with this joyful cry worship begins and ends;
Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

Made sacred by long use, new minted for our time,
our liturgies sum up the hope we have in him:
Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

On this we fix our minds as, kneeling side by side,
we take the bread and wine from him the Crucified:
Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

By this we are upheld when doubt and grief assails our Christian fortitude,
and only grace avails:
Christ has died! Christ has risen! Christ will come again!

This is the threefold truth which, if we hold it fast,
changes the world and us and brings us home at last.
Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND COMMITMENT SUNDAY

1 Timothy 2:1-4

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

A brief silence may be kept. Each prayer will conclude: Lord in Your mercy, and the congregation may respond **Hear our prayers.**

Prayers are commended in Jesus' Name.

P: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Matthew 5:22-24: Ephesians 4:1-3

P: Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace.

2 Corinthians 13:11

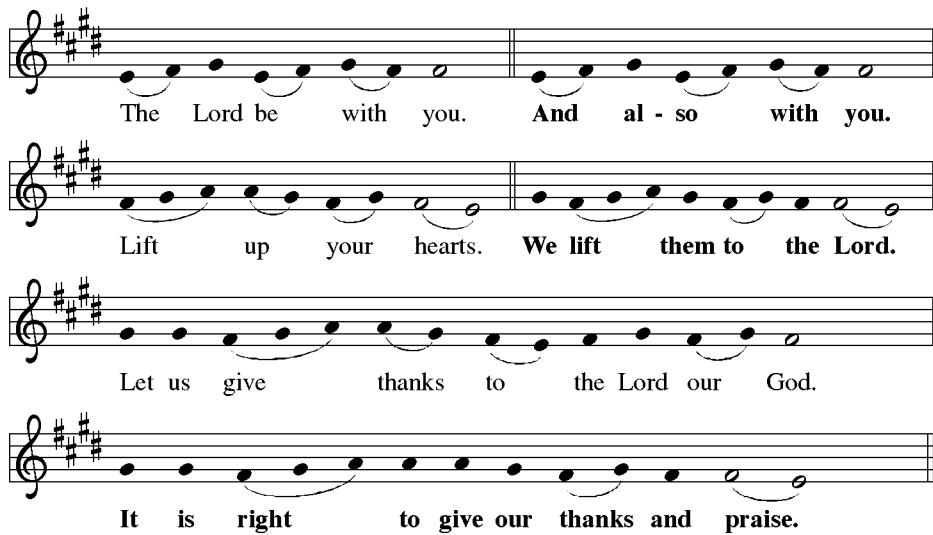
P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

THE MEAL AND SENDING

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

2 Timothy 4:22, Colossians 3:1, Psalm 136



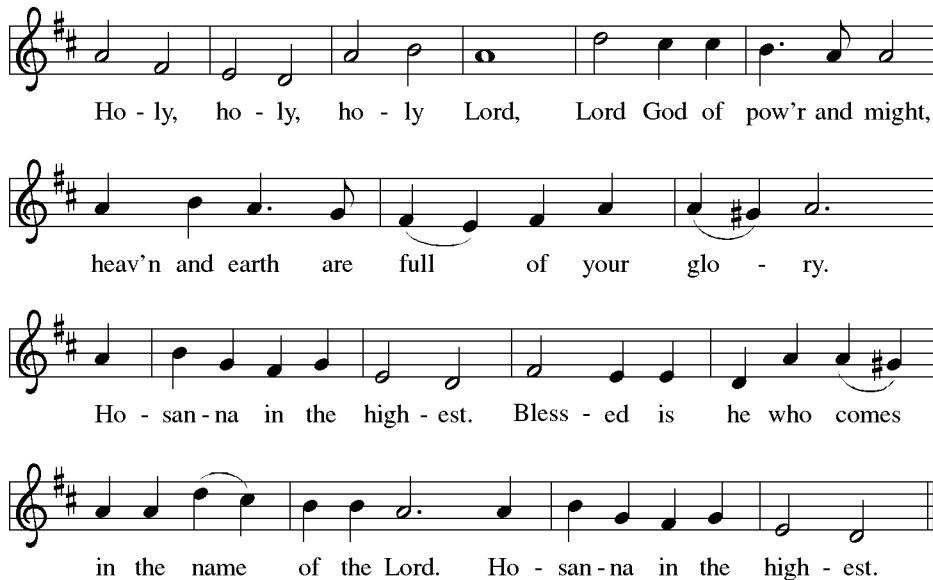
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PREFACE FOR THE DAY AND THE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY *Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9*



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

heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

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.

***THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Matthew 26, Mark 14, Luke 22, 1 Corinthians 11

P: In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is My body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of Me.

Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in My blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of Me.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Matthew 6:9-13

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.

***LAMB OF GOD**

John 1:29

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; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the

sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

***DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION AND INDIVIDUAL DISMISSAL**

P: This is the body of Christ given for you. This is the blood of Christ shed for you. Go in peace and serve the Lord!

COMMUNION HYMNS

ELW #870, 686, 685

POSTLUDE

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OUR ALTAR FLOWERS are given with thanksgiving and glory to the Triune God by Sylvia Fogle in honor of our church family as we lift prayers and hymns of praise in worship.

The Altar Guild will be decorating the Chrismon Tree tomorrow (Monday) at 5:00pm.

PARISH NEWS

Facemasks are recommended but not required during all indoor events and to spread out as much as possible during in-person worship with a 3 foot space between households.

NURSERY ATTENDANTS BY REQUEST: If your family is in need of a nursery attendant during the 10:30 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our standby attendants.

2022 ALTAR FLOWER CALENDAR: If you'd like to sign up to donate altar flowers for a special Sunday in 2022, please contact Susan Lewis at 704-864-5242.

BESSEMER CITY BOYS & GIRLS CLUB ANGEL TREE: It's time for our annual Boys and Girls Club Christmas Party. The Angel Tree located in the narthex is ready with the names and Christmas Gift Wishes of the children. Please take an Angel or as many as you like and sign the register beside the tree to let us know which Angel or angels you have taken. Return the gifts **unwrapped** with the Angel tag attached to the box located in the Chapel by Sunday December 5th. *Monetary donations are also welcome for those who would like to contribute but unable to shop.* Thank you for your love for these children! -The Outreach Team

AN INVITATION FROM CHRISTIAN ED: The members of the Christian Ed Committee would like to invite any congregation member who is interested to consider joining this committee. This committee is responsible for choosing the youth Sunday school curriculum, planning VBS and hosting church-wide events throughout the year. If you are interested, please contact the Pastor at michael.comer@lutheranchapelchurch.org.

FROM THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE: Are any of you dreading the next number of weeks as Christmas gets closer and closer? How much to spend on gifts? Who to buy for and what to buy? Which parties/events to attend? How to be safe and accepting of each other? This doesn't leave much time to dwell on the "reason for the season". All of us need some balance during the holidays. Part of our balance at Lutheran Chapel is remembering whose we are, and why we exist. We exist to worship the one who gives us life-that beautiful baby in the manger.

A wonderful opportunity to worship will be **Wednesday evenings in December; December 1st, 8th, and 15th at 7pm**. This will be a time of worship, prayer, and celebration as we slow down and focus on preparing for Christmas. Would you and your family worship with us at the Wednesday night Advent Services? We promise there won't be any commercials, it won't cost anything, and you won't gain any weight. We do promise that you will be blessed as we get ready for the birthday of Jesus.

ADOPT A FOSTER CHILD: We have received a request from Pastor George Rhyne to assist in the Adopt a Foster Child for Christmas program as we have done in the past. Lutheran Services of the Carolinas is working with about 40 Foster Children. If you desire to help out this Christmas season, *please contact Ernest Bradford, director of the Foster Care Program, to request names along with a wish list and arrange a pick up time for gifts.* A cost range of \$75 to \$100 for gifts and/or gift cards is being used for the children. Ernest Bradford can be contacted at 980-267-7951 or EBradford@lscarolinas.net.

Daily Work

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

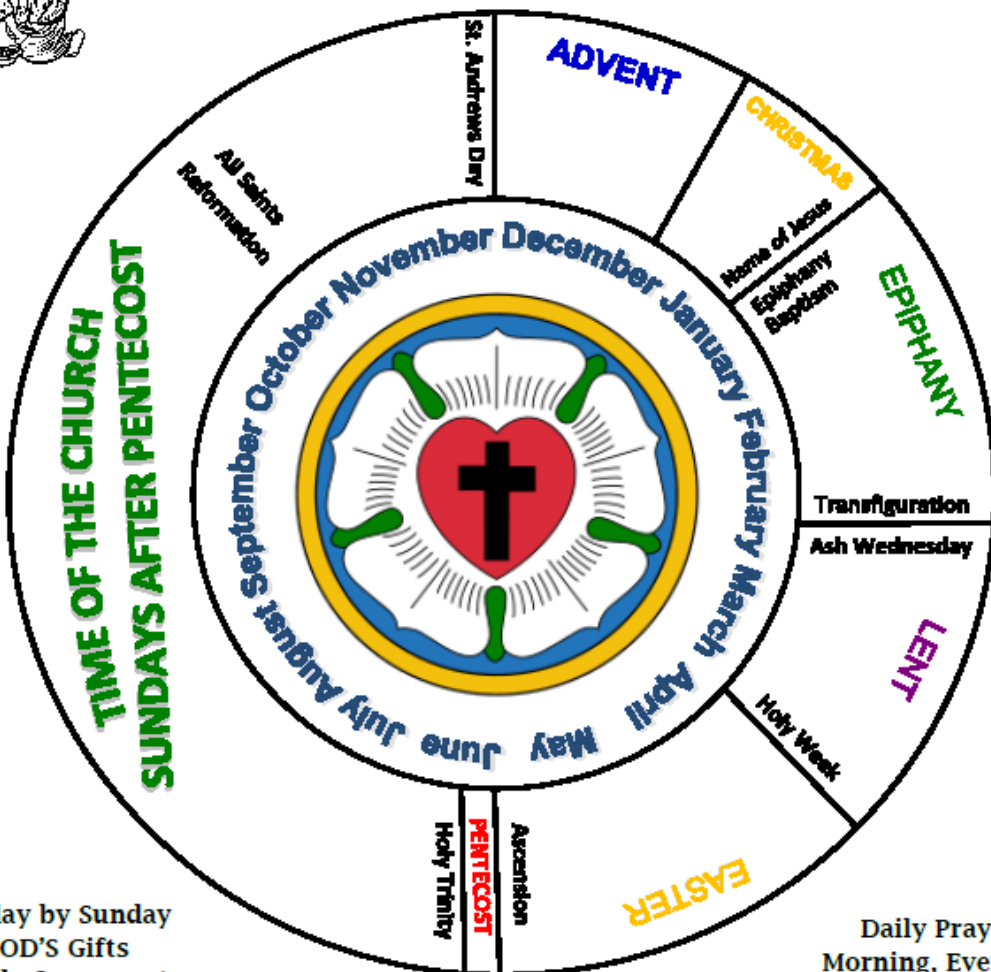
Colossians 3:17



Gospel in Miniature

For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16



Sunday by Sunday
GOD'S Gifts
Word - Sacrament



Daily Prayer
Morning, Evening,
& at Meals



THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH YEAR **Lutheran Chapel 2021**

*For by grace you have been saved through faith,
and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God*

Ephesians 2:8

DAILY PRAYER

EACH MORNING AND EVENING, PRAY TO THE LORD. (*Psalm 1:2*) Prayer lists and roster, Psalter readings, daily Bible lessons, and a song of praise are below.

PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: BT & Pauline Bradley, Todd Carpenter, Renee Dockery, Kathy Finch, Ervin Hoffman, **the family of Helen Hoffman**, Henry Hoffman, Pr. Peter Homovich, Larry Hoover, Dru Huffstickler, Ann Marie Lentz, Betty Petty, Terry Ratchford, Bill Robinson, Ed Robinson, Pat & Barbara Robinson, Bob Thornburg, and Myra Weaver

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Eula Brazell, Bill Bridges, Deborah Carpenter, Mary Collins, Laura Dixon, Jamison Franklin, Mona Fulton, Victoria Garcia, family of Sandy Helms, Sherry Hester, Jack Jeffries, Paula Kadel, Ernestine Kincaid, Robbie and Cathy Lewis, Frieda Moses, Lee Norris, Dakota Shuford, Luke Slessman, Charlene Sorenson, and Judi Truesdail

To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491), Pastor Comer (704-787-6439) or our prayer team (Katherine Carpenter 704-214-2493).

PRAYER ROSTER - Pray for one another. (*Ephesians 6:18*)

Sunday: Gail Brown

Thursday: Lisa Burch

Monday: Ben Bryant

Friday: Mary Ann Burgoon

Tuesday: Mark McCauley

Saturday: Ariel Burgoon

Wednesday: Chuck Burch

FEAST OF PSALMS: *Psalter Book Five*

	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
AM	107-110	115-118	119:105-152	124-127	131-134	138-140	145-147
PM	111-114	119:1-104	120-123	128-130	135-137	141-144	148-150

THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 47: November 21 to November 28, 2021

11/21 Morning Reading: James 3—Evening Reading: Ezekiel 16, 17

11/22 Morning Reading: James 4—Evening Reading: Ezekiel 18, 19

11/23 Morning Reading: James 5—Evening Reading: Ezekiel 20, 21

11/24 Morning Reading: 1 Peter 1—Evening Reading: Ezekiel 22, 23

11/25 Morning Reading: 1 Peter 2—Evening Reading: Ezekiel 24, 25, 26

11/26 Morning Reading: 1 Peter 3—Evening Reading: Ezekiel 27, 28, 29

11/27 Morning Reading: 1 Peter 4—Evening Reading: Ezekiel 30, 31, 32

11/28 Morning Reading: 1 Peter 5—Evening Reading: Ezekiel 33, 34

Songs of Praise: “O God our Help in Ages Past”

ELW #632

“Lord, Let My Heart be Good Soil”

W&P #52

Next Sunday, November 28, 2021 ~ 1st Sunday of Advent
Exodus 2:1-10 and Luke 21:25-36 ~ *“The Journey of Miriam”*

The *“Our Daily Bread”* devotional is available as a booklet, an app in eBook format, daily e-mail, or podcast. Visit odb.org/subscribe.

This QR code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that list the commemorations for the week.



CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21 - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2021

- Sun-21** 8:30 am Early Worship (Chapel)
 9:15 am Luther Choir
 9:30 am Sunday School for all ages
 10:30 am Worship w/ Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
 5:00 pm Crossroads Choir
 6:00 pm Chancel Choir
 8:00 pm Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)
- Mon-22** 8:30 am Preschool
- Tues-23** 8:30 am Preschool
 10:00 am Clothing Closet Workday
 7:00 pm Cantamos Choir (Fellowship Hall)
- Wed-24** 8:30 am Preschool
 6:30 pm Prayer Team Bible Study
- Thur-25** *Happy Thanksgiving!*

Give
THANKS
WITH A GRATEFUL
HEART 1 Thessalonians 5:18