

Union Lutheran Church

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Christ the King

November 20, 2022

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

*(Please stand when indicated by *)*

Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW) green hymnal
With One Voice (WOV) blue hymnal

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude: *Crown Him with Many Crowns* (Reuss)

GATHERING

- * Brief Order for Confession & Forgiveness LBW p. 56
- * PROCESSIONAL HYMN: *Crown Him with Many Crowns* LBW# 170
- * Greeting LBW p. 57
- * Kyrie LBW p. 57-58
- * Hymn of Praise (*"This is the feast..."*) LBW p. 60-61
- * Salutation LBW p. 62
- * Prayer of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you have crowned your Son as King and, by him, will renew your whole creation. May the families of the earth now torn apart and yoked by sin find liberty in him and be subjected to his gentle rule. Grant this, we pray, through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

Children's Message

First Lesson: Malachi 3:13-18

¹³“Your words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, ‘How have we spoken against you?’ ¹⁴You have said, ‘It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts? ¹⁵And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape.’” ¹⁶Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared

the LORD and esteemed his name. ¹⁷“They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. ¹⁸Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.”

Psalm 95:1-7a *read responsively*

¹Come, let us sing to the LORD;
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

²**Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

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

⁴**In his hand are the caverns of the earth,
and the heights of the hills are his also.**

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

⁶**Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,
and kneel before the LORD our Maker.**

^{7a}For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture
and the sheep of his hand.

Epistle Lesson: Colossians 1:13-20

¹³He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities — all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

* Gospel Acclamation

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* Holy Gospel: Luke 23:27-43

²⁷There followed {Jesus} a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. ²⁸But turning to them Jesus said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹For behold, the days are coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!’ ³⁰Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us,’ and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ ³¹For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?” ³²Two others, who were criminals,

were led away to be put to death with him. ³³And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." ³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" ⁴¹And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise."

Sermon: *Wrestling with Who Jesus Is*

Pastor Heidi Punt

* HYMN: *All Hail the Power of Jesus Name*

LBW# 328

Reception of New Member

LBW p. 198

* Apostles Creed

LBW p. 65

* Prayer of the Church & Sharing of the Peace

LBW p. 65-66

Offering *The Offering is received as the Lord's Table is prepared. All loose offering will go towards the Building & Repair Fund. During the month of November, the Benevolence Teaching Moment is on Spiritual Orphans Network (SON). Please prayerfully consider giving to the Benevolence Fund.*

Anthem: *Rejoice the Lord is King* (Pfohl)

MEAL

* Offertory (*"Let the Vineyards..."*)

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* Great Thanksgiving & Sanctus

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* Words of Institution

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* Lord's Prayer

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Lamb of God & Distribution of Communion

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At Union Lutheran Church the Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated each Sunday. All baptized Christians who believe in the real presence of Christ in the Lord's Supper are invited to commune. All who do not commune are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. For those who prefer individually sealed units please indicate. Gluten Free wafers and grape juice are also available upon request. Please fill out a communion card located in the pew and hand to the Usher while following their directions to receive Holy Communion or a blessing.

* Post-Communion Canticle (*"Thank the Lord..."*)

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SENDING

* Benediction

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* Sending

P You have been nurtured in Word and Sacrament now go therefore
and make disciples of all nations

C **Baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and of the Holy
Spirit.**

P Union Lutheran Church you are sent!

C **Amen, amen, amen**

Postlude: *All Hail the Power of Jesus Name* (Callahan)

Lessons for Next Week (November 27, 1st Sunday of Advent): Isaiah 2:1-5;
Psalm 122; Romans 13:(8-10) 11-14; Matthew 24:36-44 – Theme: *Be Ready*

Current Fund Financial Information

Offering received Sunday, November 13	\$4,902.00
Weekly offering needed to meet our Ministry Support plan	\$5,556.00

*The ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God and with
thankfulness for all our many blessings from Linda Kesler and Aaron Butler.*

Those Serving in November

Crucifer: Adam Thompson

Acolytes: Micah and Sammie Nguyen

Altar Guild: Jan Huffman and Nikki Nguyen

Communion Assistants: Jan and Brad Huffman, Nikki Nguyen

Lay Readers: Vicki Hunter and Pam Vellines

Ushers: Larry Barringer, Phil Cauble (HU), Don Davis, John Kesler,
and Wayne Vellines

Offering Counters: Tara Davis, Cathy Painter, and Ronald Vellines

Lutheran Book of Worship Setting 1 (pages 56-76)

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Mid-Week Advent Services ~ Proclaim the Wondrous Birth

November 29/30 (Genesis 17:15-19; 21:1-7; Hebrews 11:8-12; Matthew 1:1-17) *The Amazing Birth of Isaac*

December 6/7 (1 Samuel 1:10-20; Acts 3:17-26; Luke 1:46-55) *The Amazing Birth of Samuel*

December 13/14 (Isaiah 40:1-8; Acts 13:22-25; Luke 1:5-25) *The Amazing Birth of John the Baptism*

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

Nursing Home Residents - Brenda Mahaley, Pat & Wayne Miller, and Ruth Monroe (Autumn Care), and Jean Ray (Brookdale)

Homebound Members – Arnold Cauble, Rachel Earnhardt, Jean Kluttz, Frances Norris, Billy Waller, and Michael Walton

Sick/Surgery/Recovery - Kathleen Agner, Evonne Batten, Bill Broadway, Mike Cauble, Ashley Deaton, Glenn Eagle, Linda Hartley, Steve Hutchens, Tommy and Joan Kerns, James Kluttz, Pat Kluttz, Nancy Kesler, John Knight, Eric Miller, Donnie Miller, Dwight Miller, Harold Miller, Dusty Morgan, Gladys Morgan, Jesse Morgan, Sr., Kay Morgan, William Page, Doug Peeler, Sylvia Peeler, Wyatt Thompson, Effie Vellines, Wayne and Pam Vellines

Continual Prayer - Nancy Ballew (mother of Kat Clifton), Nancy Barringer (cousin of Larry Barringer), Shonna Black (daughter of Jack and Deena Lanning), Gary Brown (friend of Karen Barringer), Vanna Calloway (friend of Kat Clifton), Janet Dunning (sister of Doris Shepherd), June Fraley, Pastor Gross (NALC Pastor in Ukraine with Russian invasion), Drew Harrington (granddaughter of Mary Elizabeth Earnhardt), Amy Lowder Harrison and Jesse Morgan, Jr., Terry Holt (friend of Frank and Dawn Merrell), Emily Jones (sister of Jimmy Plyler), Teresa Kesler, Bobby Lippard (friend of Union), Glenn and Betty Sue Lowder, Patsy Lyerly and Family, Joe and Sylvia McDaniel, David Mitchell (friend of Pete Nguyen), Della Morgan (mother of Pam Vellines), Dusty Morgan, Sr. Family (Dusty, Sr., Lisa, Felisaty, and Dusty, Jr.), Hong Nguyen (mother of Pete Nguyen), Marvin Nunn, Sally Simmerson (friend of Lucinda Fraley), Ben Smith (brother in law of Cathy Painter), Hailey Swanson (granddaughter of Janie Lesley), James and Mary Trexler (sister of Brenda and Linda Cauble), Brinley Rose Upchurch, Kim Walton (friend of Lucinda Fraley), Union Fire Department #76, Haiti (gangs), Nigerian Christians, and those affected by natural or political disasters.

Confirmation Students: Caylea Cline, Mallory Eagle, Harlem Jones, Makenzie Poole, Emme Poole, Bailey Wilhelm, and Lucas Wilhelm

PART FOUR: Holy Baptism ~ The Means of Baptism

How can water do such great things? As St. Paul says to Titus: “He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life. The saying is trustworthy.” (Titus 3:5-8a)



(Martin Luther's Small Catechism 2010 Edition Sola Publishing-Pocket Version, page 24)

Union News

Sunday's Activities (Christ the King, November 20):

9:15 a.m. Kids Choir (Preschool-5th grade)

9:35 a.m. Sunday School

Children & Youth: A Basket of Hope ~ Exodus 1:1-2:10

Adult Sunday School Class: We Are God's Handiwork ~ Ephesians 2:1-10

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

*We welcome into our **Church Family** through **Affirmation of Faith** today, **Mark Hunter**, husband of Vicki Hunter.*

10:30 a.m. Annual Congregational Meeting (see packet)

2:00 p.m. Church Council

Deadline for Newsletter articles.

This Weeks' Activities:

Tuesday, Nov. 22

6:30 p.m. Bible Study

Wednesday, Nov. 23

10:30 a.m. Bible Study

Thursday, Nov. 24

Thanksgiving Day

The church office is closed on Thursday, November 24-Friday, November 25, in observance of the Holiday.

Next Sunday's Activities (November 27):

9:15 a.m. Kids Choir (Preschool-5th grade)

9:35 a.m. Sunday School

Children & Youth: Signs of the True God ~ Exodus 7

Adult Sunday School Class:

God Gives Tools for Our Protection ~ Ephesians 6:10-18

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Luther League Place TBD

During the season of Advent, greenery for the Altar will be provided.

*We need your **HELP** by providing cookies for the **Live Nativity** (Dec. 17 & 18) and **Caroling to our Shut-ins** (Dec. 17)!*

Veterans on records: Bill Broadway, Charles Cauble, Jenna Cauble, Mark Cauble, Scott Cauble, Paul Coughenour, Edwin Denker, Glenn F. Eagle, Brantley Earnhardt Jr, Clifford Earnhardt, Jr., Robert Brown Eford, Charles Huffman, Mark Hunter, Steve Hutchens, Thomas Kerns, John Kesler, Elbert Kluttz, Caitlin Knight, Jerry Lambert, Wade Leazer, Tex Lyerly, Wilbert Lyerly, Howard Martin, A Duran Merrell, Lanny Merrell, Lloyd Miller, Fred Monroe, Eddie Morgan, Lanny Morgan, Marvin Nunn, Billy Oddie, Robert Shamel, R.M. Shamel, Larry Shepherd, Tonya Shepherd-Darling, Jerry Taylor, and James W. Vellines.

We thank each of you for your service to our country!