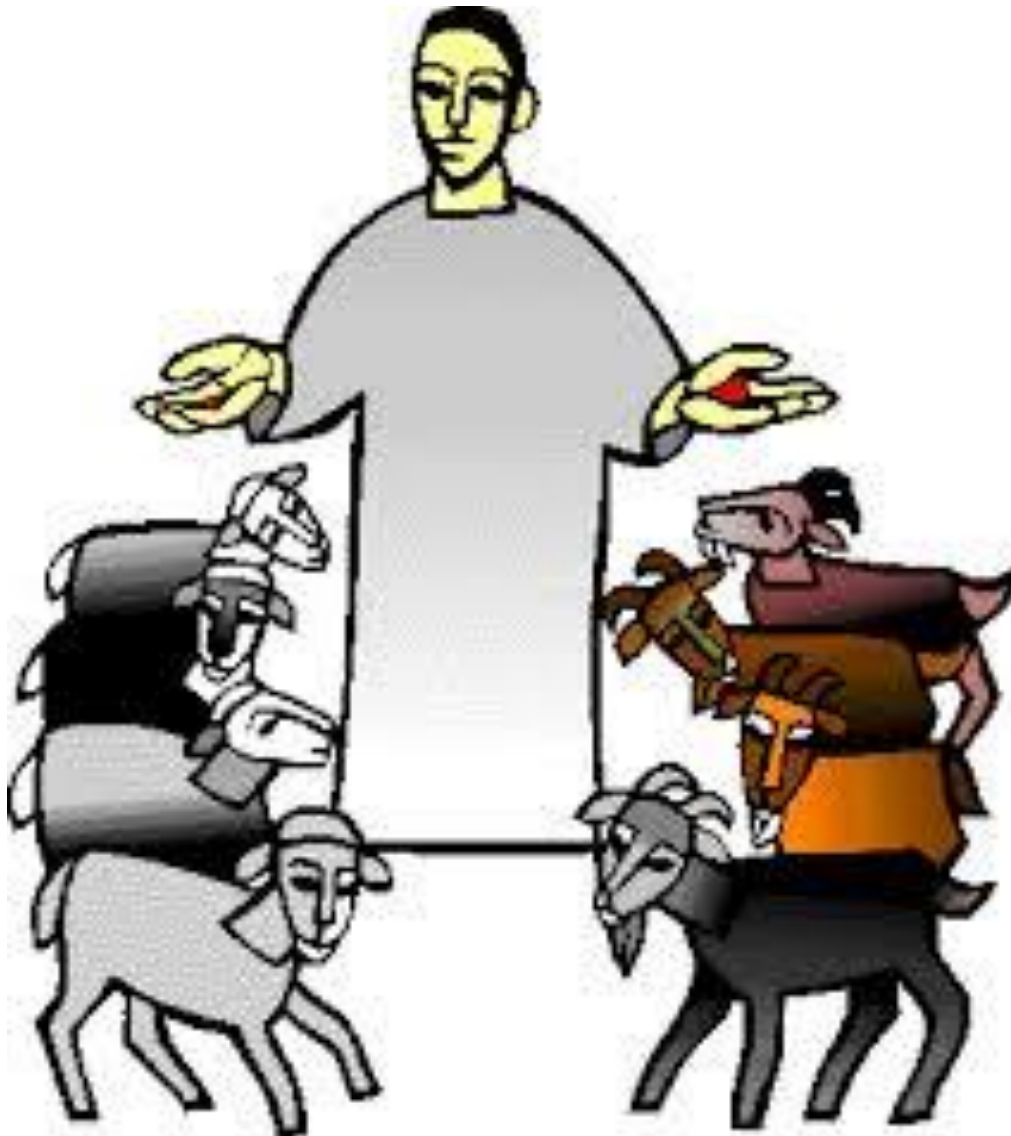


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Sunday, November 8, 2020
The Second Sunday of End Times - Last Judgment

Service Notes:

- The following psalms in the front of the hymnal (page 64f) will aid you in your meditation before receiving the Lord's Supper: Psalms 34, 42-43, 51, 84, 116, 150. Prayers for preparation for worship are on pages 10 and 11 in the hymnal. A form for preparation for Communion is on page 156.
- Please sign the friendship registry in the pews before the service or during the offering. If you have a prayer request or would like Pastor Schaefer to visit or call you, please note your request.

Holy Communion will be celebrated today. Our guests are kindly asked to note that it is our practice to first become a member of our communion fellowship before communing with us. Please speak to our pastor about becoming a member of our communion fellowship.

THE COMMON SERVICE (page 15)

OPENING HYMN: #207 "The Day is Surely Drawing Near"

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The Day Is Surely Drawing Near



1 The day is sure - ly draw - ing near When God's Son,
 2 A trum - pet loud shall then re - sound And all the
 3 A book is o - pened then to all, A rec - ord
 4 Then woe to those who scorned the Lord And sought but
 5 My Sav - ior paid the debt I owe And for my



the A - noint - ed, Shall with great maj - es - ty ap - pear
 earth be shak - en. Then all who in their graves are found
 tru - ly tell - ing What each has done, both great and small,
 car - nal plea - sures, Who here de - spised his pre - cious Word
 sin was smit - ten; With - in the Book of Life I know



As judge of all ap - point - ed. All mirth and
 Shall from their sleep a - wak - en And with the
 When he on earth was dwell - ing, And ev - 'ry
 And loved their earth - ly trea - sures! With shame and
 My name has now been writ - ten. I will not



laugh - ter then shall cease When flames on flames will
 liv - ing in that hour By the Al - might - y's
 heart be clear - ly seen, And all be known as
 trem - bling they will stand And at the judg - e's
 doubt, for I am free, And Sa - tan can - not



still in - crease, As Scrip - ture tru - ly teach - es.
 bound - less pow'r Be changed at his com - mand - ing.
 they have been In thoughts and words and ac - tions.
 stern com - mand To Sa - tan be de - liv - ered.
 threat - en me; There is no con - dem - na - tion!

6 O Jesus Christ, do not delay,
 But hasten our salvation;
 We often tremble on our way
 In fear and tribulation.
 Your saints are waiting patiently;
 Come soon, Redeemer; make us free
 From ev'ry evil. Amen.

M: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.



CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: 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.

LORD, HAVE MERCY (*Kyrie*)



M: 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: A - men.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord:



C: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the



sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the



sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of

God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on - ly are holy;

you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,

are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Let us pray.

Lord God Almighty, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that we may always look forward to the end of this present evil age and to the day of your righteous judgment. Keep us steadfast in true and living faith and present us at last holy and blameless before you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

BE SEATED



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: Daniel 7: 9-10

⁹ “As I looked,

thrones were placed,

and the Ancient of Days took his seat;
his clothing was white as snow,

and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames;
its wheels were burning fire.

¹⁰ A stream of fire issued

and came out from before him;
a thousand thousands served him,
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him;
the court sat in judgment,
and the books were opened.

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 90 – The congregation will sing Hymn **#441** “O God, Our Help in Ages Past.”

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O God, Our Help in Ages Past



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, Our
 2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne Your
 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood Or
 4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight Are
 5 Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, Soon



hope for years to come, Our shel - ter from the
 saints have dwelt se - cure; Suf - fi - cient is your
 earth re - ceived its frame, From ev - er - last - ing
 like an eve - ning gone, Short as the watch that
 bears us all a - way; We fly, for - got - ten,



storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home,
 arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
 you are God, To end - less years the same.
 ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.
 as a dream Dies at the op' n - ing day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
 Our hope for years to come,
 Still be our guard while troubles last
 And our eternal home!

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, abr., alt.

Tune: ST. ANNE (CM) William Croft, 1678–1727, alt.

SECOND LESSON: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

5 Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. ² For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³ While people are saying, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. ⁴ But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. ⁵ For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. ⁶ So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. ⁷ For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. ⁸ But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹ For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰ who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. ¹¹ Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

VERSE OF THE DAY (sung by the soloist)

Alleluia. Watch, therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. Alleluia. (Matthew 24:42)

STAND

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



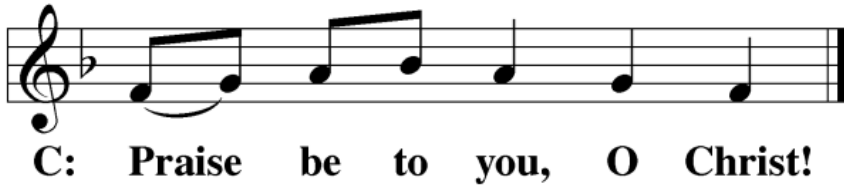
GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 25:31-46

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.”



NICENE CREED

**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.**

BE SEATED

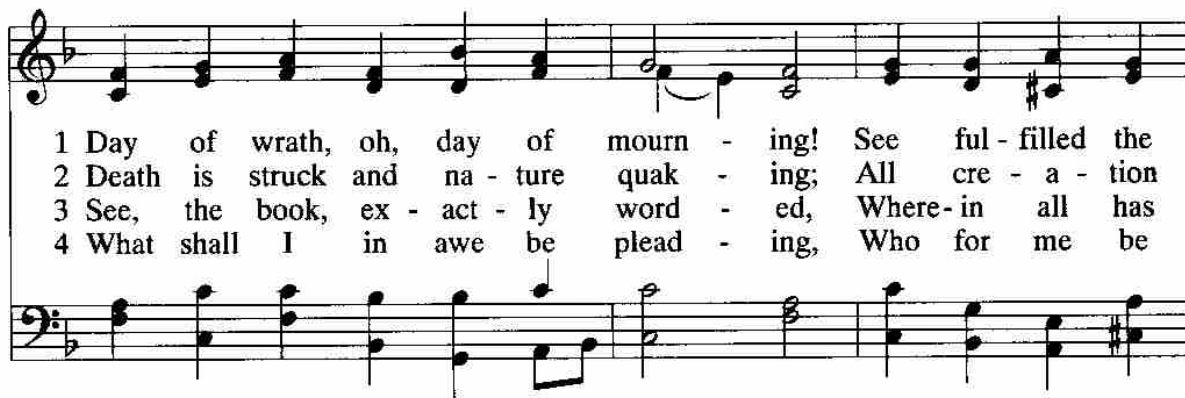
HYMN OF THE DAY: #209 “Day of Wrath, Oh, Day of Mourning”

Text: attr. Thomas de Celano, c. 1190–c. 1260, abr., st. 1-6; Mark A. Jeske, b. 1952, st. 7; tr. William J. Irons, 1812–83, st. 1-6, alt.; St. 7 © 1993 Mark A. Jeske. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

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Day of Wrath, Oh, Day of Mourning

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1 Day of wrath, oh, day of mourn - ing! See ful - filled the
2 Death is struck and na - ture quak - ing; All cre - a - tion
3 See, the book, ex - act - ly word - ed, Where - in all has
4 What shall I in awe be plead - ing, Who for me be



proph - ets' warn - ing; Heav'n and earth in ash - es burn - ing.
is a - wak - ing, To its judge an an - swer mak - ing.
been re - cord - ed — Thus shall judg - ment be a - ward - ed.
in - ter - ced - ing When your mer - cy I am need - ing?

5 King of majesty tremendous,
Who does free salvation send us,
Fount of pity, then befriend us.

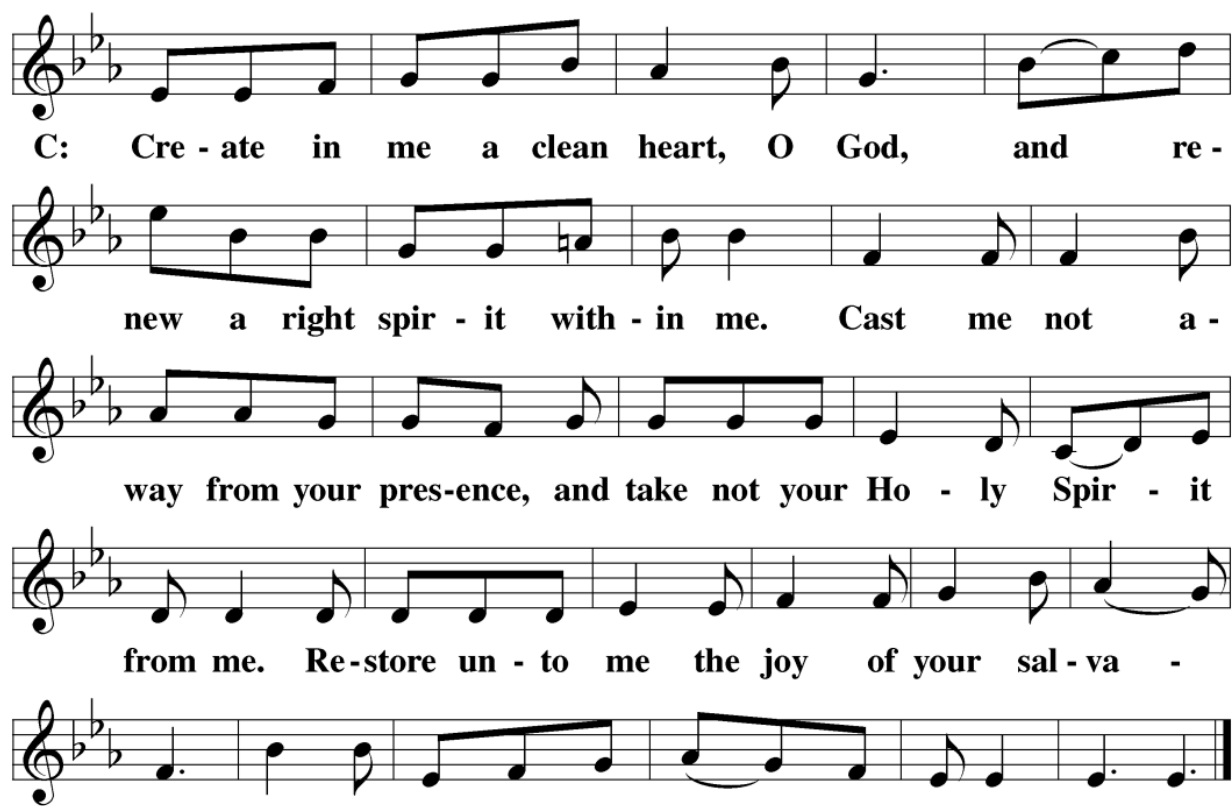
6 Think, good Jesus — my salvation
Caused your wondrous incarnation,
Made you suffer my damnation!

7 On the cross your dying spared me;
Just and righteous you declared me;
I await the joy prepared me.

SERMON

STAND

PSALM 51 RESPONSE (page 20)



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from your pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re-store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF END TIME: LAST JUDGMENT

M: Out of the depths we cry to you, O Lord; O Lord, hear our voices.

C: Let your ears be attentive to our cries for mercy.

M: Heavenly Father, we confess with sorrow that we have sinned and deserve only your anger and punishment.

C: If you kept a record of our sins, we would surely be lost.

M: We confess with joy that your unfailing love has redeemed us.

C: Our hope is in you and in your full redemption.

M: Around us we see the birth pangs of the last days: war, famine, earthquakes, false prophets, spiritual apathy.

C: Use these signs to remind us that we do not know the day or hour when Christ will come again.

M: Keep us faithful to your Word; send your Spirit to strengthen our faith so that we are always prepared for your Son's return as judge.

C: Make us faithful in sharing your Word, and cause many more to put their hope in you before the end comes.

M: Build our fellowship of love as brothers and sisters in faith.

C: Help us support one another when trials and troubles come our way.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: Heavenly Father, we eagerly wait for Jesus to come again and make all things new. May he find us, whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life, faithfully enduring to the end, through the power of your Holy Spirit.

C: Come, Lord Jesus. May your grace be with us.

C:Amen.

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LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

Please use this time for personal preparation or meditation before the Lord's Supper. A form to assist you can be found on page 156 in the front part of the hymnal.



THE SACRAMENT (Page 21)

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

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



C: It is good and right so to do.

M: 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:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*Sanctus*)

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:

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

na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -

na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: 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 the new testament in my (+) blood, which is poured out for you for the

forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

M: The peace (+) of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*Agnus Dei*)

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;

have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,

you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;

grant us your peace. A - men.

The Agnus Dei is written in C major and 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are: 'O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us your peace. A - men.' The music features a variety of note values including half notes, quarter notes, and eighth notes, with some phrases being repeated.

BE SEATED

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION ANTHEM: “And Will the Judge Descend”

1 And will the Judge descend?
And must the dead arise?
And not a single soul escape
His all-discerning eyes?

2 And from his righteous lips
Shall this dread sentence sound;
And through the numerous guilty throng,
Spread black despair around?

3 "Depart from me, accursed,
"To everlasting flame,
For rebel angels first prepared,
Where mercy never came."

4 How will my heart endure
The terrors of that day:
When earth and heaven, before his face,
Astonished shrink away?

5 But ere that trumpet shakes
The mansions of the dead;
Hark, from the gospel's cheering sound,
What joyful tidings spread!

6 Ye sinners, seek his grace,
Whose wrath ye cannot bear;
Fly to the shelter of his cross,
And find salvation there.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

#524 "O Fount of God, for All Your Love"

#215 "Jerusalem, My Happy Home"

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O Fount of Good, for All Your Love



1 O Fount of good, for all your love Our
 2 But you have need - y broth - ers here, Par -
 3 In their sad ac - cents of dis - tress Your
 4 Then help us, Lord, your yoke to wear And
 5 Your face with rev - 'rence and with love We



true thanks should be paid. What can we ren - der,
 tak - ers of your grace, Whose names you will your -
 plead - ing voice is heard; You may in them be
 glad - ly do your will, Each oth - er's dai - ly
 in the poor will view, And, while we min - is -



Lord, to you, When you own all that's made?
 self con - fess Be - fore the Fa - ther's face.
 clothed and fed And vis - it - ed and cheered.
 bur - dens share, The law of love ful - fill.
 ter to them, We do it as to you.

Text: Philip Doddridge, 1702–51; altered by Edward Osler, 1798–1863, alt.

Tune: ST. FLAVIAN (CM) *The Whole Booke of Psalmes*, London, 1562, alt.

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Jerusalem, My Happy Home



1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home, When
 2 When shall these eyes thy heav'n - built walls And
 3 Oh, when, thou cit - y of my God, Shall
 4 A - pos - tles, mar - tyrs, proph - ets, there A -
 5 O Christ, do thou my soul pre - pare For



shall I come to thee? When shall my sor - rows
 pearl - y gates be - hold, Thy bul - warks with sal -
 I thy courts as - cend? Where ev - er - more the
 round my Sav - ior stand, And soon my friends in
 that bright home of love That I may see thee



have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?
 va - tion strong And streets of shin - ing gold?
 an - gels sing, The Sab - bath has no end.
 Christ be - low Will join the glo - rious band.
 and a - dore With all thy saints a - bove.

Text: F. B. P., 16th century, abr., alt.

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THANKSGIVING (page 24)

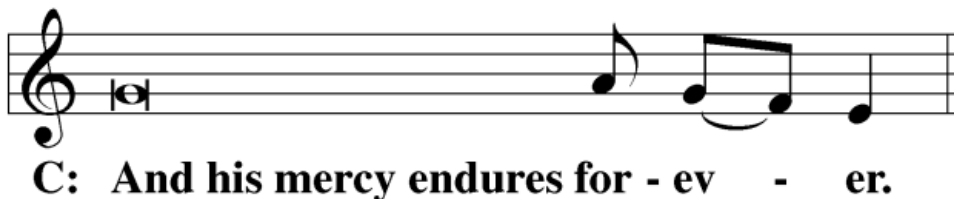
STAND

SONG OF SIMEON (*Nunc dimittis*)



C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing
to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-
pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the
Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

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



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

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: A - men.

M: 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: A - men. A - men. A - men.

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Communion Assistants: Ron Bude and Mark Castellese

Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi; Soloist: Jim Cutler

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service

-10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

Wednesday – 10:00 AM Online Bible Class

Thursday – 7:00 PM Adult Information Class

Sunday - 9:30 AM Divine Service

-10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

Serving next week: Altar Guild – Arlette Stobbe; Ushering – Team 4

Altar Flowers were donated by the Richard Cording family to the glory of God and in loving memory of Logan Thomas Cording.

IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE: We ask that you disperse in the sanctuary (practice social distancing). For Holy Communion we will have smaller communion tables so that you are able to spread out along the communion rail. Offerings will be gathered at the entrance to the sanctuary. Pastor and

communion assistants will practice handwashing and/or other safe practices; in addition, the officiants will wear masks for the distribution. Because of the increase in COVID-19 cases, all are asked to wear a face covering while in the church. Ushers will assist by ushering you from the pew following the service. Please do not gather in the narthex. The church building will receive a thorough cleaning and disinfecting every week. If you are unable to attend yet, Pastor Schaefer will be glad to make arrangements with you for private Communion. We are posting the entire service on our website after each service.

Pastor vacation – Pastor Schaefer is on vacation November 13-21. If a pastoral emergency should occur, please contact Rev. Tom Schroeder, Good Shepherd, Novi (248)348-2613. Pastor Doug Hartley will be officiating at the November 15 Divine Service.

STEEPLE BELL PROJECT The Trustees have decided to complete the purchase of a new digital bell controller system to restore our steeple bells to working order. The total cost of the project is about \$5800; so far we have received about \$1400 in designated gifts. If you would care to support this project with a *special gift*, please designate an amount on your offering envelope. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary gifts. For the last twenty years or so the Michigan District has held a food drive for the students of our Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. It has been very successful and hundreds of our future pastors and families have been fed both physically and spiritually by your love and generosity. Many of our younger area pastors were recipients of food and gift cards which made things much easier on their families. I have seen many tears of joy flowing from the eyes of students and their wives.

This year we have a problem. With Covid-19 restrictions in place, it is impossible to plan and carry out our usual food drive. We still have students who need food and other supplies. Some of the part-time jobs that Seminary students take are presently unavailable. We still want to show our love and care for these students and their families. Therefore our congregation will have a **special door offering today November 8 and also November 15** to support these families. Please make checks payable to St. Peter's; the treasurer will then issue a check for the entire amount to

Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Food Bank. Please consider making a generous donation that Sunday.

PASTORAL CARE & MERCY – Please remember with prayers, cards and visits those whose needs have been reported.

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