

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Divine Service III LSB pages 184-202

L = Liturgist * = Stand C = Congregation

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN OF INVOCATIONAlleluia! Sing to Jesus*

LSB 821 (1, 3, 4)

1. **Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; His the scepter, His the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion Thunder like a mighty flood;
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation Has redeemed us by His blood."**
2. **Alleluia! Bread of heaven, Here on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! Here the sinful Flee to You from day to day.
Intercessor, Friend of sinners, Earth's Redeemer, hear our plea
Where the songs of all the sinless Sweep across the crystal sea.**
3. **Alleluia! King eternal, Lord omnipotent we own;
Alleluia! Born of Mary, Earth Your footstool, heav'n Your throne.
As within the veil You entered, Robed in flesh, our great High Priest,
Here on earth both priest and victim In the eucharistic feast.**

10:30 Peace Choristers and Ringers and Singers of Green Park

Only Jesus

Russel Nagy

VETERANS' DAY RECOGNITION

Veterans rise as their anthem is played, and remain standing as each military branch joins them.

"Anchors Away"

Navy (& Coast Guard)

"Caissons Go Rolling Along"

Army (& National Guard)

"Sky Blue Yonder"

Air Force (& C.A.P.)

"From the Halls of Montezuma"

Marines

***INVOCATION AND GENERAL CONFESSION**

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

C: **✠ Amen.**

BAPTISM (5:00)

L: God the Son, who did come down from heaven for us and for our salvation,

C: **Cleanse us by Your blood.**

L: God the Holy Spirit, promised Paraclete,

C: **Dwell in our lives with Your most holy fruits.**

L: Lord God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit:

C: **I, a troubled and penitent sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of the suffering and death of Your Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being. Forgive me all my sins and grant me the power of Your Holy Spirit that I may amend my sinful life. Amen.**

***THE ABSOLUTION**C: **✠ Amen.**

***THE GLORIA PATRI** (Taken from LSB, page 186)

C: ♪ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

***THE KYRIE**

C: ♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

***THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

L: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with thy spirit.

L: Let us pray.

C: ♪ Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING for the 23rd Sunday after Pentecost is from Amos 5:18-24, page 768:

¹⁸Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! Why would you have the day of the LORD? It is darkness, and not light, ¹⁹as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him, or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall, and a serpent bit him. ²⁰Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? ²¹I hate, I despise your feasts, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. ²²Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the peace offerings of your fattened animals, I will not look upon them. ²³Take away from me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen. ²⁴But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: ♪ Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE READING is from I Thessalonians 4:13-18, page 987:

¹³But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁵For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁶For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. ¹⁸Therefore encourage one another with these words.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

***THE ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

C: ♪ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

***THE HOLY GOSPEL** - The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter, verses 1-13, page 830:

C: ♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ²Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, ⁴but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. ⁶But at midnight there was a cry, ‘Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ ⁷Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. ⁸And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ ⁹But the wise answered, saying, ‘Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.’ ¹⁰And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. ¹¹Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ ¹²But he answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ ¹³Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: ♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

(8, 9:20, 10:30)

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

(8:00 & 10:30) CHILDREN'S SONG (Sung as the children come forward)

Jesus loves children, Jesus loves me,
Jesus loves you, with love tenderly
Jesus loves all, no matter how small,
That's why I love Jesus, better than all.

Tell all your young friends, Jesus loves them,
Tell them the story, tell it again.
Bring them to Jesus, where they will hear
That Jesus loves children, precious and dear.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (8:00 & 10:30)

Christina Stackle

SERMON HYMN

Rejoice, Rejoice Believers

LSB 515

1. Rejoice, rejoice, believers, And let your lights appear;
The evening is advancing, And darker night is near.
The Bridegroom is arising, And soon is drawing nigh;
Up, pray and watch and wrestle; At midnight comes the cry.
2. The watchers on the mountain Proclaim the Bridegroom near;
Go forth as He approaches With alleluias clear.
The marriage feast is waiting; The gates wide open stand.
Arise, O heirs of glory; The Bridegroom is at hand.
3. Our hope and expectation, O Jesus, now appear;
Arise, O Sun so longed for, O'er this benighted sphere.
With hearts and hands uplifted, We plead, O Lord, to see
The day of earth's redemption, That sets your people free!

THE SERMON

"Apathy and Readiness"

(Matthew 25:1-13)

THE OFFERING - *During the offering all worshipers are asked to fill out the blue or ivory cards found in the pew rack. Please pass cards down to center aisle. They will be collected immediately after the offering.*

VOLUNTARY 10:30 Peace Choristers and Ringers and Singers from Green Park

Jesus Loves Me, Jesus Loves Me

arr. Michael Burkhardt

***THE OFFERTORY**

✠ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

***LORD'S PRAYER** (Found on the inside back cover of the hymnal)

***THE BENEDICTION**

L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: ✠ Amen, amen, amen.

***THE CLOSING HYMN**

Lord, While for All Mankind We Pray

TLH 578

1. **Lord, while for all mankind we pray Of ev'ry clime and coast,
Oh, hear us for our native land, The land we love the most!**

2. **Unite us in the sacred love Of knowledge, truth, and Thee;
And let our hills and valleys shout The songs of liberty.**

3. **Lord of the nations, thus to Thee Our country we commend.
Be Thou her Refuge and her Trust, Her everlasting Friend. Amen.**

*SILENT PRAYER/POSTLUDE + + + + + + + +

SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Pastor Jon C. Furgeson
Liturgist: Pastor Dennis A. Kastens
Organist: 5:00 & 9:20: Alice Kastens; 8:00 & 10:30: Kendra Ruesler
Choir Dir.: Alexia Arensmeier, Debbie Prange
KFUO AM 850 Broadcaster/Engineer: Bob Uthoff/Dennis Gerfen

NEWS AND NOTES:

23rd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 12, 2017

TODAY'S EDUCATION HOUR: 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Adult Bible Class (Lower Commons): Luther Video Series

Bible Study for 18 - 25 Year Olds (Former Sanctuary Overflow Room)

Women's Bible Class (Office Conf. Rm.): led by Janice McCreary

Youth Bible Class: led by Christina Stackle, DCE

8th Gr: Rick Goodman & Mike Renner 7th Gr: Greg Wirtel & Louise Oster

PLEASE SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES

ALTAR FLOWERS are in honor of our Veterans, from Peace Music Ministry; and from the grandchildren of Sharon Bellistri in celebration of her birthday.

BAPTISM (5:00) Maxwell James Hanner, son of Christopher S. & Meredith E. née Kroepel Hanner. Sponsors: Zachary J. Haven and Meghan K. née Kroepel Zewiski.

A SALUTE TO OUR VETERANS This afternoon at 3:00 p.m., the Orchestra of Peace, Bells of Peace and Guest Baritone will present a *Salute to Our Veterans Concert*. Invite your family and friends to attend this very special event which will honor those who have or are serving in our military.

VOTERS ASSEMBLY Monday, Nov. 13, 7 p.m. with election of 2018-2019 officers and approval of 2018 budget. Nominations posted.

BOY SCOUT PANCAKE BREAKFAST Sunday, Nov. 19, 7:30a.m. - 10:30a.m.

POINSETTIA PLANTS will decorate the chancel Dec. 9 – Jan. 1 for the Christmas season. Please order by TODAY. Contact Marlene Wussler with questions. Checks payable to: Peace Lutheran Church and earmarked "Poinsettia".

LADIES GUILD regular meeting is Nov. 16. We'll decide on fund disbursements.

CHRISTmas TREE & WREATH LOT again to open on the west parking lot the day after Thanksgiving.

TREE DELIVERY HELPERS NEEDED There has been a change in the delivery date of the Christmas trees from Sat., the 18th to **Sun., Nov. 19th at Noon**. We need helpers to unload...Many hands make for light work. Please contact Ralph Truemper if you will help.

BOAR'S HEAD CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL IS NOV. 30, DEC. 1, 2 & 3

IF YOU HAVE TICKETS YOU CANNOT USE please return them to the church office as soon as possible so they can be distributed to those on the waiting list.

REHEARSALS ARE CRUCIAL for everyone. The full dress rehearsal will be on Sun. Nov. 26, at 4:00 p.m. Please re-dedicate yourself to attending rehearsals even if you've "done it before". Your attendance is important! Please arrive promptly and have all items required for your costumes.

URGENT NEED FOR BOAR'S HEAD FESTIVAL We need a Make-up Person to do light make-up for the festival participants. Also, hostesses are needed for the Saturday and Sunday Receptions after the festival services. If interested, contact Merrily Goldsmith.

YOUTH NEWS: High School Small Groups meet **tonight**, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Jr. Youth to feed the homeless at Trinity, Soulard Nov. 18, 8:15-11:30 a.m. The Jr. Youth also to lead a worship service at Bethesda on Sun. Nov. 19, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Sign up to attend either event.

GREEN PARK TRIVIA NIGHT Sat., Nov. 18 in the Green Park gym. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Games begin at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25/person—tables of 8-10. If you have questions, please contact Rachel Wildman.

WREATH & GRAVE MAT DECORATING Grave mats on Sat., Nov. 18, 10:00a.m. Wreaths on Saturday, Nov. 25, 10:00a.m.

NON-PERISHABLE AND CANNED food items welcome next Sunday through Thanksgiving Day to benefit Sem. Pantry and Feed My People. (Thanksgiving Plate offering supports Feed My People, Peace Bread Box, and LFCS.)

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 12, 2017:

Today: 3:00 Veteran's Concert
6:30 Sr. Youth Small Groups
Mon: 3:30 GP Practice
5:00 Chimes of Peace Rehearsal
7:00 Voters Assembly
Tue: 9:00 Quilters
3:30 GP Practice
7:00 Eagle Board of Review
Wed: 9:00 TPL Assembly
11:00 South County Senior Citizens
11:15 Preschool Chapel
4:00 5/6/7/8 Gr. Conf. Class
7:00 Wednesday Bible Study
7:00 Bells of Peace Rehearsal
Thu: 6:00 Men's Bible Study
9:00 Mary/Martha
12:00 Ladies Guild
3:30 GP Practice
5:30 ESL Sports
6:30 ESL Classes
7:00 Chancel Choir
Fri: 6:30 Security Meeting
Sat: 10:00 Wreath Decorating
5:00 Worship Service w/Communion
Sun: 7:30 Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast
6:30 Sr. Youth Small Groups