

# St. Johns Lutheran Church

See the Son of Man



coming in a cloud

with power and great glory,  
Your redemption is drawing near

## AS WE GATHER

In today's Readings, we hear warnings about the coming day of the Lord. Such warnings can fill us with fear and questions. But we are also encouraged by God's faithfulness and steadfastness. He protects us from the assaults of Satan. He establishes us and keeps us. He directs our hearts toward love. "May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ" (2 Thessalonians 3:5). God grant us such hearts!

## RINGING OF THE BELLS

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### WELCOME GUESTS

We're glad you are here! Make it a point to introduce yourself to the pastor. Please take time to fill out an attendance card and drop it in the basket during the offering. Our service today includes the celebration of God's presence, as He comes in the true body and blood of Christ in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. **Any who are not yet instructed or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, are asked to refrain** from receiving the sacrament until they have spoken with the pastor. Please consider liking us on Facebook (St. Johns Lutheran Church – St. Louis City) and checking out our website (<https://stjohnslutheranstlouis.org/>).

#### PREPARATION

**HYMN** Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying      *LSB 516*

**"Wake, awake, for night is flying,"**

**The watchmen on the heights are crying;**

**"Awake, Jerusalem, arise!"**

**Midnight hears the welcome voices**

**And at the thrilling cry rejoices;**

**"Oh, where are ye, ye virgins wise?"**

**The Bridegroom comes, awake!**

**Your lamps with gladness take!**

**Allelujah!**  
**With bridal care**  
**Yourselves prepare**  
**To meet the Bridegroom, who is near."**

**Zion hears the watchmen singing,**  
**And all her heart with joy is springing;**  
**She wakes, she rises from her gloom.**  
**For her Lord comes down all-glorious,**  
**The strong in grace, in truth victorious;**  
**Her star is ris'n, her light is come.**  
**Now come, Thou Blessed One,**  
**Lord Jesus, God's own Son,**  
**Hail! Hosanna!**  
**We enter all**  
**The wedding hall**  
**To eat the Supper at Thy call.**

**Now let all the heav'ns adore Thee,**  
**Let saints and angels sing before Thee**  
**With harp and cymbals' clearest tone.**  
**Of one pearl each shining portal,**  
**Where, joining with the choir immortal,**  
**We gather round Thy radiant throne.**  
**No eye has seen the light,**  
**No ear has heard the might**  
**Of Thy glory;**  
**Therefore will we**  
**Eternally**  
**Sing hymns of praise and joy to Thee!**

### **INVOCATION**

**In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.**  
**Amen.**

### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

**Our help is in the name of the Lord,**  
**who made heaven and earth.**

**If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?**  
**But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition.

Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **WORD**

**KYRIE**            LSB 204

**Lord, have mercy;**

**Christ, have mercy;**

**Lord, have mercy**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS... Glory to God in the Highest**        **LSB 204**

**To God on high be glory**

**And peace to all the earth;**

**Good-will from God in heaven**

**Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!**

**We praise and bless You, Father;**

**Your holy name, we sing-**

**Our thanks for Your great glory,**

**Lord God, our heavenly King.**

**To You, O sole begotten,**

**The Father's Son, we pray;**

**O Lamb of God, our Savior,**

**You take our sins away.**

**Have mercy on us , Jesus;**

**Receive our heart-felt cry,**

**Where You in pow'r are seated  
At God's right hand on high.**

**For you a-lone are holy;  
You only are the Lord,  
For-ever and for-ever,  
Be worshiped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit  
Alone are Lord Most High,  
In God the Father's glory.  
"Amen!" our glad re-ply.**

### **SALUTATION**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

O Lord, almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may live and abide forever in Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### **MEMORIZED WORD**

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. Romans 8:18

### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**      *Malachi 4:1-6*

<sup>1</sup> "For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. <sup>2</sup>But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. <sup>3</sup>And 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. <sup>4</sup>"Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and just decrees that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

<sup>5</sup>“Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes. <sup>6</sup>And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL**     *Revelation 7:14b; Psalm 84:5*

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

**Blessèd are those whose strength is \* in You,  
in whose heart are the highways to \* Zion.**

**EPISTLE**     *2 Thessalonians 3: 1–5*

<sup>1</sup>Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, <sup>2</sup>and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith. <sup>3</sup>But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one. <sup>4</sup>And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we command. <sup>5</sup>May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**ALLELUIA and VERSE**     *LSB 205*

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**HOLY GOSPEL**     *Luke 21:5–28*

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-first chapter.

**Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>5</sup>While some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, [Jesus] said, <sup>6</sup>“As for these things that you see, the

days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.”<sup>7</sup> And they asked him, “Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?”<sup>8</sup> And he said, “See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is at hand!’ Do not go after them.”<sup>9</sup> And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once.”<sup>10</sup> Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom.”<sup>11</sup> There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven.”<sup>12</sup> But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name’s sake.”<sup>13</sup> This will be your opportunity to bear witness.”<sup>14</sup> Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, <sup>15</sup>for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict.”<sup>16</sup> You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death.”<sup>17</sup> You will be hated by all for my name’s sake.”<sup>18</sup> But not a hair of your head will perish.”<sup>19</sup> By your endurance you will gain your lives.”<sup>20</sup> “But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near.”<sup>21</sup> Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, <sup>22</sup>for these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all that is written.”<sup>23</sup> Alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! For there will be great distress upon the earth and wrath against this people.”<sup>24</sup> They will fall by the edge of the sword and be led captive among all nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.”<sup>25</sup> “And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, <sup>26</sup>people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken.”<sup>27</sup> And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.”<sup>28</sup> Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** “The Day Is Surely Drawing Near” *LSB* 508

**The day is surely drawing near  
When Jesus, God's anointed,  
In all His power shall appear  
As judge whom God appointed.  
Then fright shall banish idle mirth,  
And flames on flames shall ravage earth  
As Scripture long has warned us.**

**The final trumpet then shall sound  
And all the earth be shaken,  
And all who rest beneath the ground  
Shall from their sleep awaken.  
But all who live will in that hour,  
By God's almighty, boundless pow'r,  
Be changed at His commanding.**

**The books are opened then to all,  
A record truly telling  
What each has done, both great and small,  
When he on earth was dwelling,  
And ev'ry heart be clearly seen,  
And all be known as they have been  
In thoughts and words and actions.**

**Then woe to those who scorned the Lord  
And sought but carnal pleasures,  
Who here despised His precious Word  
And loved their earthly treasures!  
With shame and trembling they will stand  
And at the judge's stern command  
To Satan be delivered.**

**My Savior paid the debt I owe  
And for my sin was smitten;  
Within the Book of Life I know  
My name has now been written.**



**I will not doubt, for I am free,  
And Satan cannot threaten me;  
There is no condemnation!**

**May Christ our intercessor be  
And through His blood and merit  
Read from His book that we are free  
With all who life inherit.  
Then we shall see Him face to face,  
With all His saints in that blest place  
Which He has purchased for us.**

**O Jesus Christ, do not delay,  
But hasten our salvation;  
We often tremble on our way  
In fear and tribulation.  
O hear and grant our fervent plea;  
Come, mighty judge, and make us free  
From death and ev'ry evil.**

## **SERMON**

### **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 of the world to come. Amen.**

## **OFFERING**

## **USHER INSTALLATION**

### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. O Jesus Christ, do not delay,

**but hasten our salvation.**

Lord, we have filled our lives with so much busyness and chaos. Help us to remove from our lives those things that are not beneficial and to lead quiet, peaceful lives that honor You.

O Jesus Christ, do not delay,

**but hasten our salvation.**

Lord, we are frequently tempted toward laziness and slothfulness.

Strengthen us to not be idle or lazy, but to work diligently for the good of our neighbors. O Jesus Christ, do not delay,

**but hasten our salvation.**

Lord, we pray for all of those who are single, whether by choice or circumstance. Be with them, Lord, and surround them with friends and community so that they might know the joys of fellowship and be kept from the agony of loneliness. O Jesus Christ, do not delay,

**but hasten our salvation.**

Lord, we pray that Your Word might speed ahead so that all people hear the Good News of Your salvation. Embolden us to share that Good News with others. O Jesus Christ, do not delay,

**but hasten our salvation.**

Lord, look with favor upon all who are sick, injured, and recovering, [*especially . . .*]. Have mercy upon them and restore them to health according to Your wisdom.

O Jesus Christ, do not delay,

**but hasten our salvation.**

Lord Jesus, we commend all these people and situations into Your hands, for You have promised to hear our prayers and intercede for us, and You

live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **SACRAMENT**

### **PREFACE**                      LSB 208

The Lord be with you.

**And also 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 Him thanks and praise.**

### **PROPER PREFACE**

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

### **SANCTUS**                      LSB 208

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;**

**Heaven and earth with full acclaim**

**shout the glory of Your Name.**

**Sing Hosanna in the highest,**

**Sing hosanna to the Lord;**

**Truly blest is He who comes**

**In the name of the Lord!**

### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

## **LORD’S PRAYER**

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.**

## **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

**AGNUS DEI** (Lamb of God) *LSB 210*

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table	<i>LSB 618</i>
Abide, O Dearest Jesus	<i>LSB 919</i>

**NUNC DIMITTIS** (Song of Simeon) *LSB 211*

**O Lord, now let Your servant  
Depart in heav’nly peace,  
For I have seen the glory**

**Of Your redeeming grace;  
A light to lead the Gentiles  
Unto Your holy hill,  
The glory of Your people,  
Your chosen Israel.**

**All glory to the Father,  
All glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit,  
Forever Three in One;  
For as in the beginning,  
Is now, shall ever be,  
God's triune name resounding  
Through all eternity.**

### **POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this Meal. Keep our eyes fixed on You and the steadfastness of Your Son, whose body and blood has forgiven our sins; 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.**

### **BENEDICTION**

The Lord bless us and keep us.

The Lord make His face shine on us and be gracious to us.

The Lord look upon us with favor and ☩ give us peace.

**Amen.**

**HYMN**                      Herald, Sound the Note of Judgement      *LSB 511*

**Herald, sound the note of judgement,  
Warning us of right and wrong,  
Turning us from sin and sadness  
Till once more we sing the song.**

*Refrain:*

**Sound the trumpet!**

**Tell the message:**

**Christ, the Savior king, is come!**

**Herald, sound the note of gladness;**

**Tell the news that Christ is here;**

**Make a pathway through the desert**

**For the one who brings God near. *Refrain***

**Herald, sound the note of pardon**

**Those repenting are forgiv'n;**

**God receives His wayward children,**

**And to them new life is giv'n. *Refrain***

**Herald, sound the note of triumph;**

**Christ has come to share our life,**

**Bringing God's own love and power,**

**Granting vict'ry in our strife. *Refrain***

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# Announcements

## Saved to Share Called to Care

### Our Response to God's Love Last Week

Attendance Sunday: 54

Nepalese: 29

Offering: \$2,235.00

**VOTER'S MEETING** There will be a Voter's Meeting today, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am after Bible Class.

**YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY** for young adults between the ages of 18-30. The Bible Study will run from 5:30pm-7:30pm, and will include a pizza dinner (provided by St. Johns). Our next date will be in December, date is TBD. If interested, please send an email to [stjohnslcstl@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnslcstl@gmail.com) to be added to the GroupMe.

**CHRISTMAS TREES FOR ADVENT** If you have a used Christmas tree you could donate for this year, please leave it with the office or call so that we can pick it up. Thank you.

**THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE** Our Thanksgiving Food Drive up and running. Please bring your non-perishable food items and leave them on the table in the front of church.

**A SONG FOR CHRISTMAS** Christ Memorial Productions is pleased to present A Song for Christmas on Friday December 2 and Saturday December 3 at 7:30 pm, and Sunday December 4 at 2:30 pm. Performances will take place at Christ Memorial Lutheran, 5252 S. Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, Missouri 63126.

A Song for Christmas is a FREE concert featuring live performances of a selection of wonderful Christmas songs, including such classics as O Holy Night, I'll be Home for Christmas and Silent Night. The concert will be presented by talented vocalists, many who have performed with CMP in the past, and a live orchestra. The concert will be directed by Kevin Jones. Seating will be general admission, tickets will not be issued. Call 314-223-3163 or email [Tickets@CMPShows.org](mailto:Tickets@CMPShows.org) with questions or to arrange for seating for groups of 10 or more.

## Prayers

**Special Prayer Petitions** – **Joan** for successful hip surgery on Tuesday; **Family of John Loum** who passed away; **Melba Fanger** for a quick recovery; **Maureen Rehmer** for healing of her hip; **Carmen Hobson** for patience in waiting for the news for heart surgery; **Bobbie** who is back in the nursing home, but suffering; **Confirmation Class** for the Lord to mature their faith; **Our Vicars** as they continue to take classes at the Seminary; **Our Field-Workers** Tristan (and family) and Isaac; **Marshang** as she takes her oath of citizenship.

**Shut Ins** – Bobbie Kepford, Jerry Schmaltz, Steve Bain, Eileen Wehrheim, Carmen Hobson, Melba Fanger

### *Opportunities to Love and Serve Christ this Week*

*November 13-November 20*

Sunday	<b>9:00am Worship w/ Communion (Usher Installation)</b> 10:30am Bible Study/Nepali Worship <b>11:30am Voter's Meeting / 12:30pm African Worship</b>
Monday	<b>8am-12pm Office Open / 8am-3pm Counseling in Nursery</b> 3pm-6pm Compass
Tuesday	8am-12pm Office Open 3pm-6pm Compass 6pm Seminary Students
Wednesday	8am-12pm Office Open 3pm-6pm Compass 3:45pm Compass Chapel 6:00pm Choir
Thursday	8am-12pm Office Open 2pm Ridgewood Apartments Bible Study <b>3pm-6pm Compass / 6:30pm Adult Confirmation</b>
Friday	8am-12pm Office Open 8am Bible Study 8am-3pm Counseling in Nursery 1pm Nepali Mother's Prayer Service 2pm-6pm Compass
Saturday	8:30am Food Pantry 9am Confirmation <b>2pm Vicar Meeting</b> 2:00pm-8:00pm Bohannon Baby Shower
Next Sunday sept-nov)	<b>9:00am Worship w/ Communion (Baptism Birthdays</b> 10:30am Bible Study/Nepali Worship 12:30pm African Worship