



Sunday, November 20, 2016

Worship 9:00 am

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Christ the King

ELW Holy Communion Setting Ten

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may stand as able and make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: In the name of God the Father of glory;
in the name of God the ✙ Son, our Redeemer;
in the name of God the holy and life-giving Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: The Sun of righteousness shall rise
with shining beams of healing.
Let us gather under the wings of God's mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

**C: we acknowledge that we are sinners
and we confess our sins—
those known to us that burden our hearts,
and those unknown to us but seen by you.
We know that before you nothing remains hidden,
and in you everything is revealed.
Free us from the slavery of sin;
liberate us from the bondage of guilt;
and work in us that which is pleasing in your sight;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

With a heart full of mercy and compassion,
God saves us and ✙ forgives us all our sins.
Christ, the dawn from on high, shines upon us
and by the light of the Holy Spirit
guides our feet into the way of peace.

C: Amen.

GATHERING SONG *Jesus Shall Reign*

ELW 434

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray. O God, our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:1-6

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 46

A: ¹God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

C: ²**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**

A: ³though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

C: ⁴**There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.**

A: ⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;
God shall help it at the break of day.

C: ⁶**The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth melts away.**

A: ⁷The LORD of hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

C: ⁸**Come now, regard the works | of the LORD,**

what desolations God has brought up- | on the earth;

A: ⁹behold the one who makes war to cease in | all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the | shields with fire.

C: ¹⁰**“Be still, then, and know that | I am God;**

I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted | in the earth.”

A: ¹¹The LORD of | hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

SECOND READING: Colossians 1:11-20

¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into 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 in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

GOSPEL: Luke 23:33-43

P: The holy gospel according to Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

³³When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴[[Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.”]] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah 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 there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? 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 have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

TIME FOR CHILDREN

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *Beautiful Savior*

ELW 838

APOSTLES' CREED

A: With the whole church we confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: With the people of God gathered here and throughout the world, we offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

For Christ's church on earth and for those who proclaim the good news of your reign, that all divisions cease,

A: let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

A: ...Almighty God, you have promised to hear those who call upon your name. We commend all our spoken and silent prayers to you, trusting in your abundant mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

The assembly is seated.

THANKOFFERING

Beverly Lien

As we give our Thankofferings today, we share in a tradition that goes back at least to the 1800s, when Christian women formed "mite" or "cent" societies to support the mission of the church. When others said there was not enough money to carry out the church's work, the women believed otherwise and acted together. In these societies, each woman collected offerings at home. On occasion, they would gather as we do today to worship and make their offerings with thanks and praise. When Women of the ELCA was formed 30 years ago, we committed to continue this tradition of giving in gratitude for blessings. Each year, in thousands of congregations, Thankofferings are given to support the life-changing ministries of Women of the ELCA. Together, we do more than we could ever do apart. In gratitude for all God has given to us, and with hope for all that is to come, let us now give our Thankoffering.

OFFERING

The assembly stands as able to sing the offertory.

OFFERTORY *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

ELW 184

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray. Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.

C: Amen.

DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Share in the inheritance of all the saints.

Come to the table prepared for you.

SHARING OF HOLY COMMUNION BY INTINCTION

Welcome to the Lord's Table! All baptized Christians who believe the words "This is my body given for you, shed for you, for the forgiveness of sins" are welcome to come forward to receive this gift of grace. Please wait for ushers to direct you to the front of the sanctuary. Communion by intinction means that when you come forward, bread will be placed in your hand. Then you will dip the bread in the cup and eat. The chalice with purple liquid is red wine and the chalice with yellow liquid is white grape juice. If you are unable to come forward and would like to receive communion, let the ushers know and we will bring communion to you. If you prefer not to receive communion but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest. May these gifts keep you in eternal life.

COMMUNION SONG

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COMMUNION HYMN *Around You, O Lord Jesus*

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COMMUNION HYMN

Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal

ELW 464

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray. We give you thanks, shepherding God, that you have gathered your scattered flock again this day, feeding us richly with the food of Paradise.

Accompany us as we serve you all the days of our lives, and gather us with the saints in the day of our death; through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Lord.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: God who loves us,
who gives us eternal consolation and good hope,
comfort your hearts
and strengthen them in every good work and word;
and the blessing of almighty God,
Father, ✚ Son, and Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you forever.
C: Amen.

SENDING SONG *Give to Our God Immortal Praise!* **ELW 848**

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Christ is with you.
C: Thanks be to God.

~Worship Leaders~

Pastor ~ Pastor Brenda Lovick
Assisting Minister ~ Gloria Fruit **Lector** ~ Linda Mathison
Acolytes ~ Emma Nottestad & Ilsa Lund
Greeter ~ Brian & Brittany Rosenthal
Nursery ~ Nataliya Amundson
Ushers ~ Arvid & Linda Mathison, Curt & Linda Hanson
Communion Set up/Take down ~ Gloria Fruit & Marge Stach
Communion Assistants ~ Karen Hayes & Ken Rockney
Offering Counters ~ Arvid Mathison & Gloria Fruit
Musician ~ Andrew Severson
Fellowship Coffee Hour ~ Holly & Maggie Loomis
Church Lock-up ~ Gloria Fruit

Attendance Report:

Sunday, November 13: 107
Sunday, November 6: 114
Sunday, October 30: 142
Sunday, October 23: 75

Treasurer's Report

Here are the financials from September. Expenses exceed Income by only \$68.60. General Offerings were \$1,557 more than for September 2015, but were \$2,050 under the budget goal for September.

~Prayers~

Please note: If you have a prayer request for the bulletin, please make note on your communion/welcome card. You may also notify the office before noon on Wednesday. Prayer requests will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise requested. **If you wish a person to remain on the prayer list longer than 3 weeks please make note weekly on your prayer card or contact the church office.** Thank you.

*Denotes new/changed request.

Thanksgiving to God for...

East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's mission and ministry, especially this week (see calendar)

-Prayers for the ministries of Jens Notstad.

God's guidance and direction for those with healing and health concerns...

-Melissa Anderson -Esther Walheim

God's protection & safety for people of the world.

-For global refugee crisis.

-For the peace among all the nations of the world.

God's protection and safety for those being deployed...

-Please remember all our veterans, and those on active duty: Joe Janness. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and their service to their country. (Please let office know if you have a family member on active duty that is not included in these prayers so they can be added.)

~Calendar of Events~

Sunday, November 20, 2016

- 8:00am (extra) Choir Practice
- 9:00am Worship
- 10:00am Coffee Hour hosted by Maggie & Holly Loomis
- 10:15am Sunday School/Confirmation

Monday, November 21, 2016

Pastor's Day Off

Tuesday, November 22, 2016

- 8:30am Staff Meeting
- 9:00am Newsletter Assembly
- 9:30am Prayers for our people
- 10:00am 1 & 2 Corinthians Bible Study
- 2-4pm Pastor's office hours
- 6:30pm Property Meeting
- 7:15pm Church Council Meeting

Wednesday, November 23, 2016

10:00am Pastor's SPLLC

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

(Julie will be out of the office until Wednesday, November 30th)

Thursday, November 24, 2016

Happy Thanksgiving!

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Sunday, November 27, 2016

First Sunday of Advent

8:00am Choir Practice

9:00am
10:00am

Worship
Coffee Hour hosted by Steadfast Circle

~Welcome Visitors!~

Visitors, welcome! We are glad to share Christian worship and fellowship with you. Please ask our ushers for a packet of info about East Koshkonong. To participate in worship, please follow the order of worship in the bulletin. Page numbers are in the front of the ELW (cranberry hymnal), and hymn numbers are in the back of the hymnal. You are always welcome at the table of Holy Communion where Christ is our host, inviting all of us to "come and eat." Please fill out a communion card, and hand it to an usher as you come forward for communion. Prayer requests, comments, or questions may be written on the back of the communion card. We hope to see you again

soon at EKLC.

~Announcements~

Alden Estates Gifts due Sunday, Dec. 4: Once again this year we are given an opportunity to provide gifts for residents at Alden Estates. Tags are available on a table in the narthex. If you have planned to give a Christmas gift for Alden Estates please have it to the church by December 4th. Thank you!

Audio Ministry Help needed recording worship services. Did you know each worship service is recorded and sent to our homebound members? This is an important ministry, and we need help! Many hands make light work. If you are interested and gifted in using recording technology, please talk to Karen Hayes or Pastor Brenda.

Quilt Raffle The Women of EKLC are selling tickets for a quilt to be raffled off at the Women's Christmas Brunch on Saturday, Dec. 3rd. Tickets will be sold today and next Sunday, Nov. 27th. Tickets are \$1 or 6 for \$5.

Sign up for Pastor Brenda to visit you! Pastor would like to visit you at home or at work if you would like a visit. In the narthex, you will find a clipboard sign up sheet for visits from Pastor Brenda. Please sign up and she will contact you to arrange a time to visit. Thank you!

Adult Bible Study 1 & 2 Corinthians is on Tuesdays at 10:00am with 1 & 2 Corinthians. If you're interested but missed a study session you are welcome to attend at anytime. Please join us!

~Sermon Notes~
