Sunday Worship November 17, 2024

"Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray."

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WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP CELEBRATION!

Thanks for coming to be with us at Zion Lutheran Church. If you are visiting with us for the first time, will you please fill out a visitor card, available in the pew rack in front of you, and drop it in the offering plate. Whether this is your first visit or you worship here regularly, we are delighted that you chose to share with us. We worship together on Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 10:00 a.m. If you have a "prayer request" or a "praise report", please let the pastor know. God bless you on your journey of faith.

INTRODUCTION

November begins with All Saints Day and ends in or near Advent, when we anticipate Christ's coming again. It is fitting, then, that the readings today tell of the final resurrection and the end time. In the turmoil of hope, fear, and disbelief that these predictions provoke in us, Hebrews sounds a note of confident trust. Christ makes a way for us where there is no way, and we walk it confidently, our hearts and bodies washed in baptismal water, trusting the one who has promised forgiveness. The more we see the last day approaching, the more important it is to meet together to provoke one another to love.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (Prelude) Arr. Portman

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, **+** one God, our refuge, our delight, our beginning and our end.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy.
- C: we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power.

We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest.

Unbind us and set us free.

Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our

C: neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.

P: These words are trustworthy and true: Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever.. For His sake, you are + forgiven and God remembers your sin no more. Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation.

C: Amen.

HYMN Red hymnal #624

Jesus, Still Lead On

GREETING / PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray . . .

C: Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

KYRIE Red hymnal #120

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE Red hymnal #121

C: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. Glory to God in the highest, and

peace to God's people on earth. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

CHANCEL CHOIR Director Bill Jones Thanksgiving Medley
Composers: Cindy Berry & Brant Adams

THE WORD

FIRST READING: Daniel 12:1-3

R: ¹At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ²Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 16

R: ¹Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in You; I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

C: ²All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.

R: ³But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

C: ⁴I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names upon my lips.

R: ⁵O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is You who uphold my lot.

C: ⁶My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.

R: ⁷I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

C: ⁸I have set the LORD always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

R: ⁹My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

C: ¹⁰For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.

R: ¹¹You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25

¹¹Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. ¹²But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "He sat down at the right hand of God," 13 and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." ¹⁴For by a single offering He has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. [15 And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, 16 This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds," ¹⁷He also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." ¹⁸Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.] ¹⁹Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by the new and living way that He opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who has promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

R: The Word of the Lord C: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Red Hymnal #124

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,

HOLY GOSPEL

P: The Gospel according to **Mark 13:1-8**

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: ¹As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" ²Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." ³When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴Tell us, when will

this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished? ⁵Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. ⁷When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON Pastor Jaren Summers

HYMN Purple Hymnal #1023

God Alone Be Praised

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

APOSTLE'S CREED

P: Let us confess our faith.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe 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 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 again 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 (Response after each petition)

P: Lord in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer...

OFFERING—Invitation—God's Work Continues

OFFERTORY SONG #674 Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy:

bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen

and heard. Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound! Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!

EUCHARISTIC PRAYERS WITH WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

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 (All who confess Jesus as their Lord and Savior and believe in the real presence of Christ in the sacrament are invited to receive Holy Communion.)

BLESSING

P: The Ancient One, enthroned, the Crucified One, now risen, the Indwelling One, poured out, + bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

HYMN Red hymnal #723

Canticle of the Turning

DISMISSAL

P: What is the mission of Zion Lutheran Church?

C: The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is:

"Serving Christ through serving others."

P: Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (Fanfare) Arr. Portman

The altar flowers are given to the honor and glory of God by Denise & Doug Jacobs in celebration of their birthdays.

Prayer concerns for Zion's prayer chain may be submitted using a 'Prayer Request' card from the pew rack.

In Helpful Service

Pastor Jaren Summers

Communion Assist Linda Holt Reader Katie Kessler

Greeters Co Holley & Beverly Bashore

Usher Katie Sonnanstine

ATTENDANCE 11/9 & 10: 96 Sunday School: Adult: 15

Unified Giving: \$2,170.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POINSETTIA ORDERS - Order Deadline is TODAY. They are \$8.50 per plant. Order forms are available on the table in the narthex. Please attach payment. No late orders will be accepted due to availability issues with the supplier.

THANKSGIVING DINNER & ANNUAL MEETING is **TONIGHT at 5:00** pm. The church will provide the turkey, gravy, rolls, water, coffee & cider. There is a sign-up sheet posted in the fellowship hallway. We need to know how many are attending and what food you will be contributing. We need 8 people to sign up to make 5 pounds of whipped potatoes and 8 people to sign up to make enough dressing for 10 people. We also need other vegetables and fruit or dessert. Please bring your own table service. The Congregational Meeting will begin at 6:30.

RANDALL RESIDENCE OUTREACH IS CANCELLED TONIGHT because of the Thanksgiving Dinner and meeting.

2025 CALENDAR SALES benefiting the 2027 (and beyond) Youth Gathering are on sale now! The last day to order them is **TOMORROW** - Monday November **18th.** Please order and put payment in the envelope on the work room table. If you want a calendar, please order and **pre-pay the \$10.** Make checks payable to Zion Lutheran Church.

MISSION OF THE MONTH: ADOPT-A-FAMILY

A Christmas tree, decorated with paper ornaments, will appear in the lounge area just outside the sanctuary. You are invited to take one or more ornaments from the tree, purchase the item(s) written on the ornament(s) and return them to the tree by the designated date of **December 1st.** The gifts for children should **not** be wrapped as the parents enjoy doing that for their children.

Our family is a single mother with two boys, ages 5 & 13.

Contact Deb Keppel with questions.