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LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Thanksgiving Day

Our Mission:
As God's forgiven family,
we grow in faith through
Word and Sacrament to
share the Gospel of
Jesus Christ.

WELCOME!

WE ARE HAPPY YOU WERE LED TO WORSHIP WITH US! IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME IN A LUTHERAN CHURCH, WE WANT YOU TO FEEL COMFORTABLE AND "AT HOME" IN OUR WORSHIP SETTING.

The Lord speaks to us through His Word and Sacrament and we respond with joy in song and prayer. This rhythm reflects our rich worship heritage built on the teachings of the Bible placing Jesus Christ at the center of all we do.

Check out the back of this bulletin for information on Bible Classes, upcoming events, how to get involved and more!

Holy Communion: CTK practices "close" communion. This expression means that all who receive the Sacrament believe in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in, with and under the bread and wine, and embrace the teachings of the Lutheran faith according to the Scriptures. If you are not a member of an LCMS congregation, we ask that you please contact one of the pastors prior to receiving the Sacrament. You are welcome to approach the altar with folded arms to receive a blessing.

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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD

AS WE GATHER Our nation's day of Thanksgiving gives us the opportunity to consider what our attitude is towards God and all the blessings that He has given us. Too often we complain about what we don't have, or what we wish we had, rather than thanking God for what He has given us. May God use this service to transform our attitude to one of thankfulness and praise.

PRELUDE

✠ PREPARATION ✠

HYMN OF PROCESSION "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" *LSB* 892

**Come, ye thankful people, come; Raise the song of harvest home.
All be safely gathered in Ere the winter storms begin;
God, our maker, doth provide For our wants to be supplied.
Come to God's own temple, come; Raise the song of harvest home.**

**All the world is God's own field, Fruit unto His praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown, Unto joy or sorrow grown.
First the blade and then the ear, Then the full corn shall appear.
Lord of harvest, grant that we Wholesome grain and pure may be.**

**For the Lord, our God, shall come And shall take His harvest home,
From His field shall in that day All offenses purge away,
Give His angels charge at last In the fire the tares to cast,
But the fruitful ears to store In His garner evermore.**

**Even so, Lord, quickly come To Thy final harvest home;
Gather Thou Thy people in, Free from sorrow, free from sin,
There, forever purified, In Thy garner to abide:
Come with all Thine angels, come, Raise the glorious harvest home.**

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INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION *(based on Psalm 100)*

P: Know that the Lord is God. It is He Who made us, and we are His;

C: we are His people, the sheep of His pasture.

P: Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise;

C: give thanks to Him and praise His name.

P: For the Lord is good and His love endures forever;
C: His faithfulness continues through all generations.

P: Heavenly Father,

All: we confess that while You are faithful, we are not. We repent of our many sins and of our thankless living. Although You have made us Your flock, we like sheep have often strayed from You. We take for granted Your loving care and fail to give You thanks and praise for all that You have done and continue to do for us. Strengthen us, Lord, and grant us Your forgiveness.

P: God is indeed faithful and forgives us because of the suffering, death, and resurrection of His Son, Jesus Christ. In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, Whose mercies are new every morning and Whose goodness, though undeserved, still abundantly provides for all our wants of body and soul, grant us, we humbly pray, Your Holy Spirit that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness toward us, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

† SERVICE OF THE WORD †

In the lessons selected for today we see how God's people are encouraged to have an attitude of thanksgiving that remembers what He has done and continues to do for them.

OLD TESTAMENT Deuteronomy 8:11-18

¹¹ Be careful that you do not forget the LORD your God, failing to observe his commands, his laws and his decrees that I am giving you this day. ¹² Otherwise, when you eat and are satisfied, when you build fine houses and settle down, ¹³ and when your herds and flocks grow large and your silver and gold increase and all you have is multiplied, ¹⁴ then your heart will become proud and you will forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. ¹⁵ He led you through the vast and dreadful desert, that thirsty and waterless land, with its venomous snakes and scorpions. He brought you water out of hard rock. ¹⁶ He gave you manna to eat in the desert, something your fathers had never known, to humble and to test you so that in the end it might go well with you. ¹⁷ You may say to yourself, "My power and

the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me.”¹⁸ But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your forefathers, as it is today.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE Philippians 4:6-13

⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸ Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. ⁹ Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you. ¹⁰ I rejoice greatly in the Lord that at last you have renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you have been concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. ¹¹ I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. ¹² I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. ¹³ I can do everything through him who gives me strength.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 15:29-37; 26:26-29

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifteenth and twenty-sixth chapters.

C: Glory to You, O Lord. (spoken)

²⁹ And Jesus went on from there and passed along the Sea of Galilee. And he went up on the mountain, and sat down there. ³⁰ And great crowds came to him, bringing with them the lame, the maimed, the blind, the dumb, and many others, and they put them at his feet, and he healed them, ³¹ so that the throng wondered, when they saw the dumb speaking, the maimed whole, the lame walking, and the blind seeing; and they glorified the God of Israel. ³² Then Jesus called his disciples to him and said, “I have compassion on the crowd, because they have been with me now three days, and have nothing to eat; and I am unwilling to send them away hungry, lest they faint on the way.” ³³ And the disciples said to him, “Where are we to get bread enough in the desert to feed so great a crowd?” ³⁴ And Jesus said to them, “How many loaves have you?” They said, “Seven, and a few small fish.” ³⁵ And commanding the crowd to sit

down on the ground, ³⁶ he took the seven loaves and the fish, and having given thanks he broke them and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ³⁷ And they all ate and were satisfied; and they took up seven baskets full of the broken pieces left over.

²⁶ Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." ²⁷ And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; ²⁸ for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. ²⁹ I tell you I shall not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ. (spoken)

HYMN OF THE DAY "Sing to the Lord of Harvest" *LSB* 893

**1 Sing to the Lord of harvest,
Sing songs of love and praise;
With joyful hearts and voices
Your alleluias raise.
By Him the rolling seasons
In fruitful order move;
Sing to the Lord of harvest
A joyous song of love.**

**2 God makes the clouds rain goodness,
The deserts bloom and spring,
The hills leap up in gladness,
The valleys laugh and sing.
God fills them with His fullness,
All things with large increase;
He crowns the year with blessing,
With plenty and with peace.**

**3 Bring to this sacred altar
The gifts His goodness gave,
The golden sheaves of harvest,
The souls Christ died to save.
Your hearts lay down before Him
When at His feet you fall,
And with your lives adore Him
Who gave His life for all.**

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MESSAGE

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: Let us pray for all Christians and for all the people of our nation in thanksgiving to God for all His benefits. Lord God, we praise You for every good gift for our daily life, but especially for Your love, grace, and mercy in the life, death, and resurrection of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Increase the songs of praise and thanksgiving of all Your people throughout the world, that we may make known Your glory to all. Lord, in Your mercy,

C:hear our prayer.

P: We give thanks to You especially for this good land and this nation dedicated to the liberty, peace, safety, and freedom of all its citizens. Move the hearts of all in the authority of government to lead in the ways of justice and acknowledgement of Your mercies. Lord, in Your mercy,

C:hear our prayer.

P: For the fruits of Your creation, the just reward of labor, the help we give our neighbor and the world-wide task of sharing Your mercy, we give You thanks. Increase our joy and gratitude that we may live to Your glory in our world. Lord, in Your mercy,

C:hear our prayer.

P: Thank You, Lord, also for those things that challenge or even confound us, opportunities for more faith in Your deliverance and help. Bless, we pray, all who are in any need, especially.... For Your healing of all our infirmities we return to give You thanks. Lord, in Your mercy,

C:hear our prayer.

P: Lord, we thank You for the faithful witness of those no longer with us here on earth who rejoice in Your eternal presence and give You thanks and praise around Your throne. May we be inspired by their faithful witness and seek to serve You constantly all of our days. Lord, in Your mercy,

C:hear our prayer.

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, O Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C:Amen.

OFFERING + Duet "O Sing to the Lord" (Brazilian folk song)

O sing to the Lord, O sing God a new song.

O sing to the Lord, O sing God a new song.

O sing to the Lord, O sing God a new song.

O sing to our God, O sing to our God.

For God is the Lord and God has done wonders.

For God is the Lord and God has done wonders.

For God is the Lord and God has done wonders.

O sing to our God, O sing to our God.

*So dance for our God and blow all the trumpets.
So dance for our God and blow all the trumpets.
So dance for our God and blow all the trumpets.
And sing to our God, and sing to our God.*

OFFERTORY LSB 781 v. 1,2

**We give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.**

**May we Thy bounties thus
As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us,
To Thee our firstfruits give!**

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✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

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

THE 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.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

PEACE OF THE LORD

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

+Piano Solo “Let All Things Now Living”

“For the Fruits of His Creation” *LSB* 894

**For the fruits of His creation, Thanks be to God.
For His gifts to ev’ry nation, Thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping, Silent growth while we are sleeping,
Future needs in earth’s safekeeping, Thanks be to God.**

**In the just reward of labor, God’s will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor, God’s will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring For the hungry and despairing,
In the harvests we are sharing, God’s will is done.**

**For the harvests of the Spirit, Thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit, Thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us, For the truths that still confound us,
Most of all, that love has found us, Thanks be to God.**

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“Praise and Thanksgiving” *LSB* 789

**Praise and thanksgiving, Father, we offer
For all things living, Created good:
Harvest of sown fields, Fruits of the orchard,
Hay from the mown fields, Blossom and wood.**

**Bless, Lord, the labor We bring to serve You
That with our neighbor We may be fed.
Sowing or tilling, We would work with You,
Harvesting, milling For daily bread.**

**Father, providing Food for Your children,
By Your wise guiding Teach us to share
One with another, So that, rejoicing
With us, all others May know Your care.**

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

C: For His mercy endures forever.

*P: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this gift
of Your Son’s own body and blood. We thank You that in Your mercy You*

strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward You and in love toward one another. May Your Holy Spirit use this gift to enable us to live as Your thankful people; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

P: The LORD bless you and keep you.

*The LORD make His face shine upon you
and be gracious unto you.*

*The LORD lift up His countenance upon you
and ~~+~~ give you peace.*

C: Amen.

HYMN “We Praise You, O God” *LSB 785*

**We praise You, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before You, we kneel and adore You;
We bless Your holy name, glad praises we sing.**

**We worship You, God of our fathers, we bless You;
Through trial and tempest our guide You have been.
When perils o’ertake us, You will not forsake us,
And with Your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.**

**With voices united our praises we offer
And gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.
With You, Lord, beside us, Your strong arm will guide us.
To You, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!**

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SILENT PRAYER

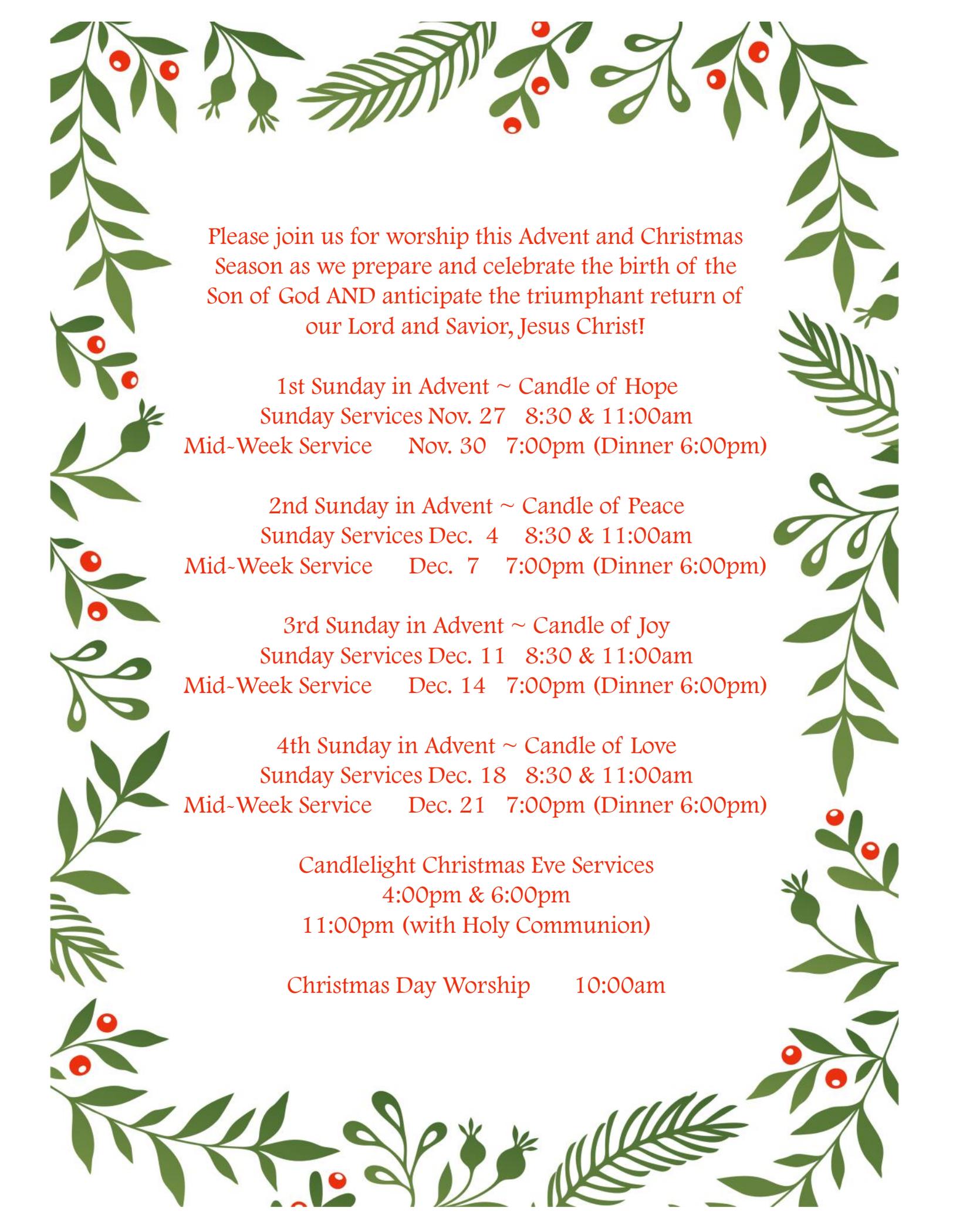
POSTLUDE

Those Who Serve

Proclaimer	Rev. Mark Goble
Liturgist and Celebrant	Rev. Clayton Sellers
Organ	Michella Novy
Duet	Edith Bengtson, Caroline Johnson
Accompanist	Edith Bengtson
Pianist	Edith Bengtson
Crucifer	Mark Novy
Elders	Glenn Maclin (L), Johnny Behnke, Justin Zagel
Ushers	Dan Seward, Jim Chapin, Bob Bortz, Jeff Higginbotham, Paul Howell, Gary Carlson
Live Streaming	Kevin Madden

We are filled with thanksgiving for the blessings which overflow each day we are privileged to serve Jesus Christ with and among you at Christ the King Lutheran Church. Thanks for all of you who love our Lord by loving each other and love those in our community and world who long for the Savior we know to share! God's richest blessings to you all!

Pastors Chuck and Mark



Please join us for worship this Advent and Christmas Season as we prepare and celebrate the birth of the Son of God AND anticipate the triumphant return of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

1st Sunday in Advent ~ Candle of Hope
Sunday Services Nov. 27 8:30 & 11:00am
Mid-Week Service Nov. 30 7:00pm (Dinner 6:00pm)

2nd Sunday in Advent ~ Candle of Peace
Sunday Services Dec. 4 8:30 & 11:00am
Mid-Week Service Dec. 7 7:00pm (Dinner 6:00pm)

3rd Sunday in Advent ~ Candle of Joy
Sunday Services Dec. 11 8:30 & 11:00am
Mid-Week Service Dec. 14 7:00pm (Dinner 6:00pm)

4th Sunday in Advent ~ Candle of Love
Sunday Services Dec. 18 8:30 & 11:00am
Mid-Week Service Dec. 21 7:00pm (Dinner 6:00pm)

Candlelight Christmas Eve Services
4:00pm & 6:00pm
11:00pm (with Holy Communion)

Christmas Day Worship 10:00am