

Word of God Lutheran Church  
Grow • Build • Serve



Our Mission:  
With God's help we are called to be a  
multi-generational traditional church, grounded in  
the Bible and focused on service in the community  
and mission outreach.

**Christ the King Sunday**  
**November 26, 2023**

**ORDER OF SERVICE**  
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Advent • Christmas • Epiphany • Lent • Easter • **Pentecost**  
*Please refer to the green Lutheran Book of Worship Hymnal for service.*

**ENTRANCE RITE**

Announcements

Prelude

Call to worship chime

- \* Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness ..... LBW 77
- \* Entrance Hymn "**All Glory, Laud, and Honor**" .....LBW 108
- \* Greeting ..... LBW 78
- \* Hymn of Praise..... LBW 81
- \* The Lord be with you ..... LBW 82
- \* Prayer of the Day

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

- First Reading .....Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
- Psalm (*Read Responsively*) ..... Psalm 100
- Second Reading ..... Ephesians 1:15-23
- \* Alleluia Verse ..... LBW 83
- \* Gospel .....Matthew 25:31-46

Children's Sermon

Sermon

- \* Hymn of the Day "**Come, Thou Almighty King**" .....LBW 522
- \* Nicene Creed ..... LBW 84
- \* Prayers ..... LBW 85
- \* Share the Peace ..... LBW 86

**SHARING OF THE SACRAMENTAL MEAL**

Offering

- Offertory ..... LBW 86
- \* Offertory Prayer ..... LBW 87
- \* Great Thanksgiving ..... LBW 88
- \* Holy, Holy, Holy ..... LBW 89
- \* Words of Institution ..... LBW 89
- \* The Lord's Prayer (sing)..... LBW 91
- "Lamb of God" ..... LBW 92
- † Communion
- \* Blessing ..... LBW 92
- \* Canticle "Thank the Lord" ..... LBW 92
- \* Prayer, Benediction, and Dismissal ..... LBW 94
- \* Closing Hymn "**Crown Him with Many Crowns**" .....LBW 170

\* Sending

\* Please stand as able

† All who are baptized and believe that Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine are invited to receive communion and assurance of God's forgiveness. *Children who have not been instructed in the sacrament should fold their hands to receive a blessing.*

**NOTE:** Page numbers are in the front of the hymnal, followed by the Hymn numbers. *LBW* is the green *Lutheran Book of Worship*. *WOV* is the blue *With One Voice Hymnal*.

## **Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24**

<sup>11</sup> "For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. <sup>12</sup> As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. <sup>13</sup> And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. <sup>14</sup> I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup> I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. <sup>16</sup> I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice. . . . <sup>20</sup> "Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. <sup>21</sup> Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, <sup>22</sup> I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. <sup>23</sup> And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. <sup>24</sup> And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken."

## **Psalms 100**

100 Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

**<sup>2</sup> Serve the LORD with gladness!  
Come into his presence with singing!**

<sup>3</sup> Know that the LORD, he is God!  
It is he who made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

**<sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving,  
and his courts with praise!  
Give thanks to him; bless his name!**

<sup>5</sup> For the LORD is good;  
his steadfast love endures forever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.

## **Ephesians 1:15-23**

<sup>15</sup> For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, <sup>16</sup> I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, <sup>17</sup> that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, <sup>18</sup> having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, <sup>19</sup> and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might <sup>20</sup> that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup> far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. <sup>22</sup> And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, <sup>23</sup> which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

## **Matthew 25:31-46**

<sup>31</sup> "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. <sup>32</sup> Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. <sup>33</sup> And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. <sup>34</sup> Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. <sup>35</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, <sup>36</sup> I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' <sup>37</sup> Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? <sup>38</sup> And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? <sup>39</sup> And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' <sup>40</sup> And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.' <sup>41</sup> "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. <sup>42</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, <sup>43</sup> I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' <sup>44</sup> Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' <sup>45</sup> Then he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' <sup>46</sup> And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- If you are physically unable to come to the altar, **communion** will be brought to you at your seat. Please let your usher know so he /she can tell the Pastor where you are seated.
- Pastor Jason will wrap up the **New Testament Timeline Bible Study** classes on Tuesday, November 28 at 10 AM and Wednesday, November 29 at 7 PM.
- *Reminder*, **Service Committee with Ministry Leaders meeting** at 7 PM on Tuesday, December 12 in the fellowship hall. Please forward your team minutes to the church office if you have not already done so.
- **Service Committee nominations** are now open for **2** members. Please place your nominations in the white box located in the narthex.
- *Mark your calendars*, volunteers are needed to help assemble the **Real Life Center Christmas Dinner Bags** following service on Sunday, December 10. Many hands make light work!
- The **Fish STIX ministry** has been a bit short staffed and would love to welcome additional volunteers. For volunteering opportunities, please contact Andi Laaker at [wogfishstix@gmail.com](mailto:wogfishstix@gmail.com) or sign up on the bulletin tear-off.
- **Midweek Advent services** begin Wednesday, December 6, at 7:00 PM. A soup supper will be held before service at 6:00 PM in the fellowship hall.
- Please join us for the **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service** on Sunday, December 24 at 6:00 PM. WoG's **Nativity of Our Lord Service** is at 10:15 AM on Monday, December 25.
- Our next **RLC Warehouse** service opportunity is Wednesday, December 13, at 9:00 AM, and the **RLC Mobile Food Pantry** will be Thursday, December 14, at 9:00 AM. Please sign up on the bulletin tear-off or contact Sue Burnett at [suegburnett@att.net](mailto:suegburnett@att.net) for more information.
- The next **Midwest Food Bank** distribution will be Tuesday, December 12 (8 AM - 12 PM & 6 PM - 8 PM); Wednesday, December 13 (8 PM AM - 1:30 PM); and Thursday, December 14 (8 AM - 12 PM). Lunch is provided each day to all volunteers. Contact Joe Bowler at [ltcbowler@gmail.com](mailto:ltcbowler@gmail.com) or sign up on the bulletin tear-off.
- *Unless otherwise indicated, the **weekly announcement submission** deadline for the Sunday bulletin is the previous **Monday** at 11:00 AM. Please send all announcements to [woglutheran@gmail.com](mailto:woglutheran@gmail.com).*

### October 2023 Report

All donations will be applied to the General, Building, Scholarship, or Fish STIX funds.

Average Weekly Worship Attendance: 153

Monthly Giving: \$38,719

Monthly Benevolence: \$3,8712

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**Upcoming Events**  
**Please Mark Your Calendars!**

- Tuesday, November 28** - **Bible Study New Testament Timeline**, 10:00 AM  
- **Pathways 2 Bible Study**, 6:30 PM
- Wednesday, November 29** - **Bible Study New Testament Timeline**, 7:00 PM
- Thursday, November 30** - **Assemble Bulletins**, 1:00 PM
- Saturday, December 2** - **Children's Christmas Craft Party**, 11:00 AM  
- **Hanging of the Greens**, 2:00 PM
- Sunday, December 3** - *1st Sunday of Advent*  
- **Sunday School**, 9:00 AM  
- **Worship Service**, 10:15 AM  
- **Children's Choir**, 11:30 AM  
- **Choir Practice**, 11:30 AM  
- *Choir Room Reserved*, 7:00 PM
- Monday, December 4** - **Faithful Hands Ministry**, 10:00 AM
- Wednesday, December 6** - **Advent Soup Supper**, 6:00 PM  
- **Midweek Advent Service**, 7:00 PM
- Thursday, December 7** - **Assemble Bulletins**, 1:00 PM
- Sunday, December 10** - *2nd Sunday of Advent*  
- **Sunday School**, 9:00 AM  
- **Choir Practice**, 9:25 AM  
- **Worship Service**, 10:15 AM  
- **Children's Choir**, 11:30 AM  
- **Assemble RLC Christmas Bags**, 11:30 AM
- Monday, December 11** - **Property Team Meeting**, 7:00 PM
- Tuesday, December 12** - **Midwest Food Bank Distribution**, 8:00 AM  
- **SC / ML Meeting**, 7:00 PM
- Wednesday, December 13** - **Midwest Food Bank Distribution**, 8:00 AM  
- **RLC Senior Bag Program**, 9:00 AM  
- **Advent Soup Supper**, 6:00 PM  
- **Midweek Advent Service**, 7:00 PM
- Thursday, December 14** - **Midwest Food Bank Distribution**, 8:00 AM  
- **RLC Mobile Food Bank**, 9:00 AM  
- **Assemble Bulletins**, 1:00 PM

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