

Christ the King
November 24, 2019
9:30 A.M.



WELCOME TO GRACE

Prelude

Word of Welcome

stand as you are able

Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, healer
of our every ill, source of unending mercy.

C Amen

P Embraced in enduring grace and good hope, let
us turn again to God, confessing the truth
about ourselves.

silence for reflection and self-examination

P Merciful God,

**C we come before you, beloved but broken.
We have not always treated others as we
would want them to treat us. We have
not always called out injustice and abuse.
We have not always been kind to
ourselves. We have not always taken care
of the world we share with other living
creatures. Remind us of who we are,
beloved children bathed in your love.
Renew us by your Spirit to live as your
holy people, bringing healing to the
brokenness around us. Amen**

P At every moment you are held in existence by
the love of God, renewed by the Spirit within
and among you, and made alive again in
Christ. Receive this assurance in Jesus' name:

you are † forgiven and freed to live for the healing of the world.

C Amen

Gathering Hymn

'Crown Him with Many Crowns'

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Greeting

P Grace to you, and peace, from the One who is and who was and who is to come, and from Jesus Christ, our Lord and King.

C Jesus Christ was the first to conquer death, and he is the ruler of all earthly kings. He loves us and sets us free from our sins by his blood.

P To him be glory and dominion for ever and ever.

C Amen

please be seated

Opening Sentences (Psalm 95)

A Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

C Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving. Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.

A For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

C He holds the deepest part of the earth in his hands, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The ocean is the Lord's because he made it, and with his own hands he formed the dry land.

A Oh, come, let us worship and bow down. Let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker.

C For he is our God. And we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Prayer of the Day

P 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**

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**

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.

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Gospel Acclamation 'Alleluia' p. 142

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

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 22nd chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Holy Gospel

Luke 22:33-43

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.

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Children's Sermon

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

'O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us'

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Nicene Creed

p. 104

Prayers of Intercession

Petitions end:

A Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P Rejoicing in hope, we lift our prayers to you, most gracious Lord, trusting that you have received them in your care.

C Amen

Peace *The people greet one another saying: "Peace be with you".*

please be seated

Offering

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Offertory 'Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful' **182**

Offering Prayer

A God our creator,

C you give us all we are, all we have, all we bring, and all we need. Draw us together around your table with all your saints on earth and in your eternal home. Let us eat and drink your promise of new life, that we might be your promise to the world, spoken in Jesus' name. Amen

Great Thanksgiving p. 144

Lord's Prayer p. 145

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Distribution of Holy Communion

Come to the communion rail by the center aisle and return by the side aisle. You may kneel or stand. Wine is in the common cup and tray of individual cups. If you prefer grape juice, ask the server. Children are invited for a blessing. All are welcome who believe Christ is present in this meal for the forgiveness of sins.

Hymns at the Distribution

'Lamb of God'	p. 146
'Jesus, Remember Me' (<i>sing 4 times</i>)	616
'Beautiful Savior'	838
'Praise the Lord! O Heavens'	823

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Table Blessing

Post Communion Prayer

- A We thank you, God our host,
C for inviting us here to taste the future when you will feed all the hungry at your table. Keep this hope alive in us and in our communities, so that we might bring hope to a suffering world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

Blessing

- P Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.
C Amen

Sending Hymn

'All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!' **634**

Dismissal

- A Go in peace. Set your hope on Christ.
C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Prayer Huddle

Other Music:

Prelude: Come, Ye Thankful People, Come by George J. Elvey

Offertory: Praise the Lord by Cesar Franck

Postlude: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee by Ludwig van Beethoven

Worship Assistants: November 24

Greeters: Mason – Mary & Tom Jensen
East – Marty Grow

Assisting Minister: Laury Grow

Lector: Laury Grow

Communion: Marty Grow

Ushers: Robbie Johnson, Aaron Seidl, Jon Seidl

Accompanist: Becky Luett

Attendance 11/17/19: 9:30 – 73

Grilled Cheese Lunch: 11/14/19: 93

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Welcome to Grace

Whether you are a member or visiting for the first time, may God's grace surround you today. There is a guest book to sign in the gathering area. If you are looking for a church home, you are welcome here.

Please Note:

As Trinity transitions to their new location for their offices, access to the building is changing. The Grace office is usually available Tuesday, Wed and Thurs. from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm but it is always best to call ahead 733-9135 if you need access and don't have a key.

In Prayer this Week

For members on the Care List especially Donny Kassube.

For Healing Tom Jensen; Mardie Paalman, Cookie Regal's sister; Winston Augustus Smith, Cheryl Muggenthaler's nephew; Mary Langdon, Cheryl Muggenthaler's sister-in-law; Rev. Jennie Johnson Wrege; Valerie Sieg; Marvin Wrege; Margaret Congdon; Mike VerKuilen; Lloyd Learman; Charlotte Endorf; Marian Breitenfeldt; Bev; Jim Marks; Darlene, Linda Grebe's mom; Judy Cross; Tom Muggenthaler; Gene Krull; Ole Olson; Gerry Kerwell; Joyce; Ken and Edna; Paula; Ben Holz.

For those with cancer especially Ellie; Mark Catlin; Kenny Verdegan; Louie Dumke; Sam Strong.

“Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.” Romans 12:12



If you have a Prayer Chain request, please contact Mary Hubers (422-1090) or Susan Pringnitz (733-7591). Call the church office with requests for prayer to be put in the bulletin and/or to ask for a prayer to be relayed to the Prayer Chain.

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Announcements

Thank you for **signing the card** each week on the table in the Narthex that are mailed out to the homebound members.

Check out the **Grace Web Site**

www.gracelutheranappleton.org for updated information about our congregation. We also have a feature – Daily Devotions. Every day a new devotion is on our website. Check them out!

If you or a family member are **hospitalized**, please give Pastor Dan a call and let him know. We don't always get a call from the hospital to let the church know.

Snow shoveling is upon us once again (yuk). There is a sign up sheet on the table in the narthex. Can you help? I know we, as a congregation, don't always like to sign up for things, however it really helps for everyone to know it is taken care of. Thank you in advance for all the help.

The Grace Care Team want to remember our people on the **Care and Concerned List** again this year. Between now and **December 15**, please collect donations for our more fragile members of Grace, and the care team will assemble **gift bags** for each of them. We will be making up about **14 bags** this year. Please look for the big bin in the narthex right after Thanksgiving and fill it up by Dec. 15. Watch the December Newsletter for a list of ideas to be included.

Grace will be having a worship service

Thanksgiving Eve Wednesday November 27th 2019 at 6:30 pm. Please join us!

Envelopes – New envelopes will be available the middle of December for 2020. If you attend Grace and are not a member you may still receive envelopes so your donations can be recorded and you will receive a statement at the end of the year. The other option is to put your donation in one of the pew envelopes with your name on it and it will also be recorded. If you make your donations through auto pay at your bank just put your new envelope number where they ask for account number starting January 1, 2020. Statements for 2019 will be out by the end of January 2020. Please see Cheryl Muggenthaler if you have questions or request envelopes for 2020.

IMPORTANT: - Contributions for 2019 – Contributions you want recorded for 2019 must be received by December 29. Checks MUST have a December date to be counted for 2019.

Cooks and bakers needed! Grace is hosting the first **Advent lunch at Fox Valley Lutheran Homes** on Wednesday, December 4. We still need volunteers for two crockpots of soup, two trays of cookies or bars, and two loaves of bread. If you can provide one of these items, please let Sharon Meier know, 739-4291. Food is needed by 11:15 or earlier that day.

LUETT CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

Come and spend an hour or more, visiting with friends, enjoying Christmas goodies, and seeing all three floors of our Christmas 2019 Open House, on Saturday, December 14, from 1 to 5 P.M., at 113 Woodside Court, Neenah.

GRACE FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Nov 24 9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. Sunday School
6:00 p.m. Potter's House Worship

Monday, Nov 257:30 pm AA Meeting

Tuesday, Nov 268:30 am Quilters

Wednesday, Nov 27..... 9:00 am Bible Study
7:30 p.m. AA Meeting
6:30 pm Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Thursday, Nov 28

Friday, Nov 29 9:00 a.m. Bible Study

Saturday, Nov 309:00 a.m. Hmong Service

Sunday, Dec 1 9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 am Sunday School
6:00 p.m. Potter's House Worship

What
ARE You
Thankful?
for?