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In our Prayers: Patty Carroll (cancer); Jim Offt, Steve Wright, Karen Lawing, LaVonne Karsten, Dennis Arndt, Harold & Beverly Rehberg (health)

This Week (11/23/2025), Lord Willing:

Sun 11/23 9:00 Bible Class/ Sunday School
10:00 Worship* (**Voter's Meeting following Worship**)
Wed 11/26 **No Midweek Confirmation Classes**
Thurs 11/27 **10:00 Thanksgiving Day Worship Service* (Sr. Choir Sings)**
Sun 11/30 9:00 Bible Study/Sunday School
10:00 Worship* +
11:15 Sr. Choir Rehearsal

* Facebook Live (FM 90.5 locally – Sundays only) + Holy Communion

Opening Hymn **Come, Thou Almighty King** **LSB 905**

Invocation/Confession/Absolution

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Confession/Absolution

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness... O almighty God, merciful Father, **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and 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. **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis **LSB 187**

Glory be to God on high: **and on earth peace, goodwill toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.**

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray... Lord Jesus Christ, You reign among us by the preaching of Your cross. Forgive Your people their offenses that we, being governed by Your bountiful goodness, may enter at last into Your eternal paradise; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading (see back of bulletin)

Malachi 3:13–18

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle (see back of bulletin)

Colossians 1:13–20

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

Luke 23:27–43

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-third chapter.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

(see back of bulletin)

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn The Day Is Surely Drawing Near LSB 508 *sts. 1-2, 5-8*
sts. 1-2, 5-7

Sermon "What's In It For Me?" Malachi 3:13-18

Offering

Prayers

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs... O Lord, grant that we may rejoice in Christ, who displays His kingly reign first from the cross and on whom we wait for the revelation of all that is to come, that we may enter into our eternal rest by the merits of Christ alone. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, bless this congregation and Your whole Church with faithful pastors and church workers who speak without embarrassment or apology the Gospel of Christ crucified and risen. Grant that we, as hearers of this Gospel, may respond with thanksgiving. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, by Christ's atoning death we are spared as sons and estimated as treasured possessions of the Father. Bless all Christian homes, that as the children of Your kingdom we would grow in the fear of the Lord and the esteem

of Your name, serve You faithfully, and walk in Your charge undismayed by the prosperity of the wicked, until all is revealed at the Last Day. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, let the earth fear You and all the world's inhabitants stand in awe of Your Christ, for You alone with the Holy Spirit are King of kings and Lord of lords. Preserve those who fear and serve You in this fallen world. Maintain good government among us. Even so, come quickly Lord Jesus, for Your kingdom is not of this world and our citizenship is with You in heaven. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, grant healing and peace to all those afflicted in body and mind. Relieve the suffering, give peace to the dying and comfort those who grieve, [*especially* _____], that in their need You may be their strength and peace. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, preserve Your people from all temptation and amid all trial, lest they give into the power of evil or despair. Grant that Your people be bold and faithful witnesses to those around them. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Christ, our King, in Your blood the saints of all ages wash their robes and find entrance to paradise with You. Bring us also with them out of death and the grave and into resurrection and eternal life at the Last Day, when we will see You crowned with glory; for You are the Lamb who was slain and now lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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.

Benediction

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. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn O God, Our Help in Ages Past LSB 733

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