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Populus Zion

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Divine Service III

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VISITORS WELCOME! A special welcome to any visitors and guests who are with us today. Please introduce yourself to the pastor after the service, and we pray that the hearing and receiving of the Word of God in our midst will be filled with joy and thanksgiving!

ATTENDANCE REGISTER: During the offering we ask that you sign the attendance register located at the center aisle of each pew.
Please hand the filled in sheet to the usher as you exit at the end of the service. Let the usher know if you don't have a pad in your pew.

HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated every Sunday and on Feast Days. Visiting communicant members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to commune today. All other visitors are asked to speak with the pastor before coming to the altar. If there is time before the service, introduce yourself to the pastor or an elder. Other visitors are invited to use this time for prayer. If you desire information about attending communion, you are encouraged to visit with the pastor after the service today.

PRAYERS OF PREPARATION may be found in the opening cover of the hymnals in each pew. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer.

+SERVING TODAY+

Preacher/Celebrant: Pastor Roemke

Elder: Jim Vescova

Ushers: Jerry Tobalsky & Scott Tobalsky

Greeters: Liz Schultz & Vicky Nelson

Organist: Evone Hagerman

Altar Guild: Tamara Weathersby & Kate Tobalsky

Altar Flowers: Today's altar flowers are provided by Paul & Mary Rusch in memory of Ed Matthaidess.

Cookies: Today's cookies and juice are provided by the Grenyo Family.

Sung three times.

Ky-ri - e, Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son.

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray.

P Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

c A - men.

Sit

Malachi 4:1–6

14“For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. 15But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. 16And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts.

⁴⁴Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and just decrees that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

⁵“Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. ⁶And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.”

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Ps. 50:2–3a, 5



Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God | shines forth.*

Our God comes; he does not keep | silence;

“Gather to me my | faithful ones,*

who made a covenant with me by | sacrifice!"

Epistle

Romans 15:4–13

⁴For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. ⁵May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, ⁶that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁷Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

⁸For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written.

“Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles,
and sing to your name.”

¹⁰And again it is said,

“Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people.”

¹¹And again,

“Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,
and let all the peoples extol him.”

¹²And again Isaiah says,

“The root of Jesse will come,
even he who arises to rule the Gentiles;
in him will the Gentiles hope.”

¹³May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

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C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 21:25–36

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



G Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

²⁵[Jesus said:] “There will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, ²⁶people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken.

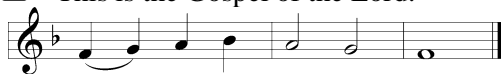
²⁷And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

²⁹And he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree, and all the trees.

³⁰As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴“But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. ³⁵For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

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Sit

Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending

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Prayer of the Church

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Hark the Glad Sound *LSB 349*

+PRAYER LIST+

- ✠ Those who serve in our nation's armed forces: DuWayne Griepentrog, Exor Padro, Rev. Lynn Christensen, Andy Warren, Evan Smith, Austin Nehls, and for veterans.
- ✠ Shut-ins: Lillian Sciortino, Myrtle Meier, Ernie Kapellusch, Richard Cleereman, Wally and Gloria Pipkorn.
- ✠ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Karin Zuehls (Jeff's aunt), Richard Schneider (Kathleen Judson's father), Carol Vescova, Carol Hernandez, Jason Stephans, Mike Ricchio (nephew of Kathy Shafer), Gerald (Sandra Babel's brother), Betty Nemeth (Mary Jo Jiter's sister), Gloria Pipkorn (recovering from a fall), and Paul Rusch (recovering from surgery).

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 4, 2016+

- ✠ **ADVENT EVENING PRAYER MIDWEEK SERVICES** continue this Wednesday at 6:30 pm. We will have a potluck meal before the service starting at 5:30. Each week has a different theme. This week's theme is Mexican. Please sign up on the sheets in the hallway.
- ✠ **JOINT YOUTH EVENT:** The congregations in the Racine and Kenosha circuits are taking turns hosting fun youth events about once

per month. These events are open to 5th through 12th graders from all congregations. Messiah will be hosting an event this Friday, December 9th from 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm. We will be eating snacks, drinking soda, and watching a movie. If you would like more details, please see Pastor Grenyo.

- ✘ **CHUCK BROTHERS MEMORIAL SERVICE** will be held here at Messiah on Saturday, December 10th. Visitation will begin at 10:00 am and the service at noon. A luncheon will follow the service.
- ✘ **ST. NICHOLAS FESTIVAL:** This year's St. Nicholas Festival has been canceled due to schedule conflicts.
- ✘ **VOTERS' MEETING:** Our annual voters' meeting to approve next year's budget will be held Sunday, December 11th immediately following the service. Please attend if you can.
- ✘ **CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR THE NEEDY:** Messiah members have a great tradition of providing Christmas gifts for families in need. Please consider choosing a gift tag from the board in the Fellowship Hall. Wrapped gifts should be returned to church by Dec. 15. Questions? Contact Kris Kochman.
- ✘ **AMAZON SMILE:** If you are planning to do any Christmas shopping on Amazon this year, be sure to sign up for Amazon Smile and a percentage of all your purchases will go to Messiah. Complete instructions can be found at the bottom of our email newsletters. Please see Lesa if you need help getting started or have questions about Amazon Smile.
- ✘ **THANK YOU** for your kindness, prayers, and support during and after Ron's passing. A special thank you to Pastor Roemke, Messiah Choir, and the Altar Guild. From Loretta Hulke and family.
- ✘ **LWML** is collecting both adult and children's pain meds for the Attic Ministries Workshop. A basket for collection is provided in the narthex. (Bottles may not be opened.)

+CONTRIBUTIONS+

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$3,584
Lord's Work Received 11/27-12/3:	\$5,024
Difference Received vs. Needed:	+1,440
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	+13,691

ATTENDANCE 11/27: 164

Communed: 142

BIRTHDAYS

12/6 Matthew Grenyo
 12/8 Mark Varvil
 12/9 Mike McConville

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

12/8 Abby Hiebert-Schultz
 12/9 Wally Pipkorn