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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 sign the guestbook near the front door and introduce yourself to the pastor after the service. We pray that the hearing and receiving of the Word of God in our midst will be filled with joy and thanksgiving!

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 are found in the cover of the hymnals. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer. **Please turn off and put away all electronic devices during the service.**

+SERVING TODAY+

Elder: Scott Tobalsky

Ushers: Kelvin Nelson & Artyom Varvil

Greeter: Liz Joslyn

Organist: Henry Buehrens

Altar Guild: Dorothy McConville & Amy Vallis

Fellowship: Paul & Mary Rusch

Altar Flowers: Today's altar flowers are provided by John & Elyse Adams.

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Confession and Absolution

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Introit

Ps. 80:1, 3, 14, 17; antiphon: Is. 62:11b; 30:30, 29



“Behold, your sal- | vation comes.”

The LORD will cause His majestic voice | to be heard,*
and you shall have glad- | ness of heart.

Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, You who lead Joseph | like a flock!*

You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, | shine forth.
Restore us, | O God;*

let Your face shine, that we | may be saved!

Turn again, O | God of hosts!*

Look down from | heaven, and see.

But let Your hand be on the man of Your | right hand,*
the son of man whom You have made strong | for Yourself!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Say to the daughter of | Zion,*

“Behold, your sal- | vation comes.”

The LORD will cause His majestic voice | to be heard,*
and you shall have glad- | ness of heart.

Kyrie

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Benedictus

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

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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.

Sit

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.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

Luke 21:26–27

Alle- / luia.

*The powers of / heaven**

will be / shaken.

Then they will see the Son of Man coming / in a cloud
with power and great glory. Alle- / luia.*

Holy Gospel

Luke 21:25–36

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.”

Apostles' Creed

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Sit

Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending

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Sermon

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Prayer of the Church

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+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+

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Benediction

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Once He Came in Blessing

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+VDM A+

Verbum **D**omini **M**anet in **A**eternum
The **W**ord of the **L**ord endures forever

+PRAYER LIST+

- ✘ Those who serve in our armed forces: Lena Roemke, Rianon Asbury, Exavier Padro, & veterans.
- ✘ The Capriotti Family
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Rylie Snodgrass, John Funk (friend of Steve and Sarah Billings), Michelle Knoll, Roger & Sara Lyngen, Linda Polcin, Anita Brothers, the Nevius Family, Nicole Padro (daughter of the Brayas), Jan Sandberg (mother of Jim Sandberg), Sarah Hagerman, Ken Gundlach (uncle of Sarah Billings), Brandon Smith (son-in-law of Jeff & Amy Vallis), Wayne & Jeannie Pannette (brother-in-law and sister of Marilyn Dissen), and Linda Davis (sister of Steve Billings).

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 7th+

- ✘ **ADVENT MIDWEEK SERVICES** continue this Wednesday, December 10th. We will have Advent Matins at 9:00 am, as an alternative to those who are not able to come in the evening. At 5:45 pm we will have an Italian potluck dinner; sign-up on the bulletin board. At 6:30 pm we will have Advent Evening Prayer.
- ✘ **WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY:** This week we continue discussing the book of Zephaniah.
- ✘ **CRAFT NIGHT:** Please join us this Friday, December 12th, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Bring your current craft or art project and enjoy an evening of fellowship. We have some craft supplies available for kids. Feel free to bring a friend.
- ✘ **ELECTRONIC GIVING:** This is the perfect time to consider switching to automatic contributions if you have not done so yet. It is easy and convenient and costs the church nothing, whereas the expense of paper envelopes increases every year and most likely also the cost to you for checks. Contributions can be weekly, semi-monthly, bi-weekly, or monthly and can be adjusted at any time. See Lesa if you have any questions or would like her to set it up for you. You can also enroll yourself by clicking on the Vanco graphic on our website, messiahkenosha.org.
- ✘ **POINSETTIAS:** Please use the sheet on the bulletin board to sign up to provide a poinsettia to beautify our sanctuary during the Advent and Christmas seasons. Please submit payment by next Sunday, December 14th.

✱ **CHRISTMAS GIVING:** Twelve youths at the Shalom Center are in need of gifts this Christmas. Tags with wish lists for each youth are posted in the fellowship hall. If you would like to shop for someone in need, please take the tag with the wish list and leave your name and phone number on the matching tag. Wrapped gifts should be returned to church by Sunday, December 21st. See Kris Kochman or Amy Vallis with any questions.

+CONTRIBUTIONS+

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| Lord's Work contributions budget YTD as of 12/5: | \$251,311 |
| Lord's Work contributions received YTD as of 12/5: | \$193,591 |
| Difference: | -\$57,720 |
| Restricted contributions YTD as of 12/5: | \$36,885 |

ATTENDANCE 11/30: 50

BIRTHDAYS

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| 12/8 | Peyton Allen |
| | Mark Varvil |
| 12/9 | Mike McConville |
| 12/13 | John Adams |