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Christ the King — November 20, 2016

LBW—Lutheran Book of Worship WOV—With One Voice

* Please stand as you are able

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ringing of the Bell

PRELUDE (8:00 & 10:30) *Holy Spirit* -Living Spirit

(10:30) *How Firm a Foundation* -Bell Choir

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *(you may remain seated)*

P In the name of God the Father of glory; in the name of God the Son, our Redeemer; in the name of God the holy and life-giving Spirit.

C Amen.

P The Sun of righteousness shall rise with shining beams of healing. Let us gather under the wings of God's mercy. Gracious God,

P **we acknowledge that we are sinners and we confess our sins—those known to us that burden our hearts, and those unknown to us but seen by you. We know that before you nothing remains hidden, and in you everything is revealed. Free us from the slavery of sin; liberate us from the bondage of guilt; and work in us that which is pleasing in your sight; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P With a heart full of mercy and compassion, God saves us and forgives us all our sins. Christ, the dawn from on high, shines upon us and by the light of the Holy Spirit guides our feet into the way of peace.

C Amen

HYMN LBW # 407 *Come, You Thankful People, Come*

GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P 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.

(10:30) **Special Music:** *We Will Dance* -Living Spirit

FIRST LESSON: 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."

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 46 Verses: Living Spirit Refrain: congregation

SECOND LESSON: 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.

A The Word of the Lord
C **Thanks be to God.**

* **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (8:00) Seth Tonjes, verse (10:30) Ryan Kruse, verse
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

* **GOSPEL: Luke 23:33-43** (please stand as you are able)

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. ³⁴Then 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."

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."

³⁹One of the criminals who were

P The Gospel of our Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN’S SERMON

HYMN LBW # 409 *Praise and Thanksgiving*

SERMON *(written by Holly Mohring)* (8:00) Barb Hoffman (10:30) Laura Ellis-Kruse

HYMN *Give Thanks* (sing twice) *(you may remain seated)*

come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

TITHES & OFFERINGS (8:00) *We Will Dance* -Living Spirit
(10:30) *Ashokan Farewell* -Bell Choir

OFFERTORY *(you may remain seated)*

* **APOSTLES' CREED** *(please stand as you are able)*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will

THE PRAYERS *(you may remain seated)*

A With the people of God gathered here and throughout the world, we offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

A For Christ's church on earth and for those who proclaim the good news of your reign, that all divisions cease, let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

A For your creation in all its beauty, for water and land, plants and animals, and for those who advocate for the just use of the earth, that all creatures enjoy life abundant, let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

A For government leaders, for those who provide justice and safety, and for those in war-torn places, that all be guided by the peace of the Lord, let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

A For those traveling this week, for those gathered with family and friends, for protection from inclement weather, and for the body of Christ gathered here, let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

A In thanksgiving for all the saints who lived their lives giving thanks to God and are now at rest, that their witness strengthen our confidence in the resurrection to eternal life, let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P For the alienated, for the sick and suffering, for those living with HIV/AIDS, and for those in need of reconciliation (*especially*), that God provide them with skilled medical practitioners and counselors, let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

P Almighty God, you have promised to hear those who call upon your name. We commend all our spoken and silent prayers to you, trusting in your abundant mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

*** LORD'S PRAYER**

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C 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

HYMN *Lord, I Lift Your Name on High* (sing twice)

Serving Today

Pastor James L. Castello

Worship & Music Coordinator & Organist - Angela Tonjes

Bell Choir Director - Bill Panning

Reader - 8:00 Alexandra Reynolds 10:30 Joan Collier

Sound Board - 8:00 Maxine Eickhoff 10:30 Ryan Kohout

Acolytes - 8:00 Rudi Dachenhaus & Laci Dachenhaus

10:30 Preston Speaks & Elijah Wolf

Ushers - 8:00 Kelli Burkhardt, Terri Sedam, Melinda Dachenhaus, Michelle Slee

10:30 Beth Jenny, Rita Schweinhagen, Kathy Bostelman, Kim Dickmann

Altar Guild - Gayla Yaney & Ami Allison

Prayer Chain Co-ordinator - Carol Castello (419-592-0847) or cjcast@yahoo.com

Simon Robson's Benefit

Hog Roast and Gun Raffle, December 11, 2016, 11:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. at The Armory Arts & Events Center, 127 East Washington St., Napoleon. In November 2015 Simon was a passenger involved in a serious automobile accident that left him not only in a wheelchair, but starting over in life completely. His family and friends invite you to join them in showing Simon your support as he continues to heal to inspire others along the way. Contact Simon Robson for tickets for the gun raffle, \$20 each (419-377-1880). Hog Roast available for \$8 for adults; \$5 for children. There will also be 50/50 ticket drawings, with various table auctions. All proceeds will go to Simon Robson Charitable Fund.

Christmas Worship Schedule

Please mark your calendars so you don't miss any of these opportunities for worship!!

December 4 - Holy Communion at both 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. services

December 11 - ONE service at 9:00 a.m. CANTATA

December 18 - Worship at 8:00 a.m.; Children's Christmas Program at 10:30 a.m.

December 24 - Worship with Holy Communion at 5:00 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.

December 25 - ONE service at 10:00 a.m. with Holy Communion

Church Decorating

Your help would be appreciated as we gather on Saturday morning at 9 a.m. to decorate the church for Christmas! *(You will be finished before the game begins!!!)*

Salvation Army Bell-Ringing

Volunteers are needed to help fill a day for this traditional holiday effort. All the "red kettle" money raised at the Napoleon WalMart stays to fund all the efforts of Salvation Army in our local area. We are hoping to help on Friday, December 16, and there are two-hour shifts available from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. There is a sign-up schedule on the bulletin board by the church office. Let's do our part and help from the heart!



"You are not only responsible for what you say, but also for what you do not say."
-Martin Luther

Did you know...

By the end of his life, Martin Luther wrote 60,000 pages, yet he hoped that "all my books would disappear and the Holy Scriptures alone be read."