

Welcome to
WEST CLERMONT LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Worship 9:30am
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Christ the King Sunday

November 24, 2024

INTRODUCTION

Even after Israel had experienced the vagaries of kings, the people still longed for a true king to set things right. He would have the king's title of Anointed One (Messiah); he would be the "one like a human being" (Son of Man) given dominion in Daniel's vision. Jesus is given these titles, even though he is nothing like an earthly king. His authority comes from the truth to which he bears witness, and those who recognize the truth voluntarily listen to him. We look forward to the day he is given dominion, knowing his victory will be the nonviolent victory of love.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP BELL

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.**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WCLC MISSION STATEMENT: *As children of God, called to love God and one another, we proclaim the Word of God through study, prayer, worship, and discipleship. We serve those in need within our congregation, our community, and our world as an expression of God's love for us. LOVE, PROCLAIM, SERVE!*

GATHER HYMN: *"For The Beauty Of The Earth"* ELW 879

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our refuge, our delight, our beginning, and our end.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,

C: we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power. We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest. Unbind us and set us free. Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.

P: These words are trustworthy and true: Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever. For his sake, you are † forgiven and God remembers your sin no more. Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation.

C: Amen.

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ELW pg. 120

CANTICLE OF PRAISE “*This is the feast....*” ELW pg. 12

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

NOISY CAN OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC: “*God So Loved*” by We The Kingdom
CCLI #7169675 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iq5URsXbKXs>

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy...

ELW pg. 130

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

***LORD'S PRAYER**

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

**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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Behold, God is making all things new. Take your place in the new creation.

COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION: Faithful God, you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink in the body and blood of your Son. Now send us out to labor with you, in service to the world you have made, and among the people you have made your home, in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

First Reading: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

⁹ As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. ¹⁰ A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. ¹³ As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. ¹⁴ To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

R: *The Word of the Lord.*

C: Thanks be to God!

Psalm: 93 (Responsively)

¹ The LORD is king, robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and armed with strength. The LORD has made the world so sure that it cannot be moved.

² **Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; you are from everlasting.**

³ The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted up their voice; the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.

⁴ **Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea, mightier is the LORD who dwells on high.**

⁵ Your testimonies are very sure, and holiness befits your house,
O LORD, forever and forevermore.

Second Reading: Revelation 1:4b-8

^{4b} Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶ and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen.

⁸ “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

R: *The Word of the Lord.*

C: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW pg. 124

Gospel: John 18:33-37

P: The Holy Gospel according to John. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

³³ Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” ³⁴ Jesus answered, “Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?” ³⁵ Pilate replied, “I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?” ³⁶ Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.” ³⁷ Pilate asked him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this I was

born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.”

P: *The gospel of the Lord.*

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Pastor Mike Erickson

*****Sunday school youth and teachers are dismissed to class.*****

SERMON

Pastor Mike Erickson

HYMN OF THE DAY:

"Jesus Shall Reign"

ELW 434

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**We believe in one God, the Father,
the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin
Mary and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius
Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living
and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and**

**glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of
sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Merciful God, C: receive our prayer.

WE SHARE GOD'S PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us offer each other a sign of peace.

THANKOFFERING

As we make our Thankoffering today, we share in a tradition that goes back to the 1800s or even earlier. Then, when it seemed that there was not enough money to carry out the work of the church, the women would take action. Gathering in groups called "cent" or "mite" societies, each woman would set aside offerings at home throughout the year, in thanksgiving for blessings received. And on occasion, the women would come together as we do today, joining their offerings together to support ministry of many kinds.

When Women of the ELCA was formed over 30 years ago, we committed to continue this tradition of giving in gratitude for blessings. Each year, in thousands of congregations, Thankofferings are given to support the life-changing ministries of Women of the ELCA. Together, we do more than we could ever do apart.

God of grace, you have showered us with abundance and entrusted to us the ministries of Women of the ELCA. Help us to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world. Accept these gifts and our prayer that, nurtured by your Word, filled with your Spirit, and fed at your table, we may share with gladness all that you have shared with us, until all creation is satisfied. **C: Amen.**

R: Women please come forward to present your Thankoffering.

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup, you offered yourself in love for the world, and you nourish us with your life. Fill us with your abundance, that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger, trusting in your name.

C: Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

P: The Ancient One, enthroned, the Crucified One, now risen, the Indwelling One, poured out, ✠ bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING MUSIC: *"Lift High The Cross"* **ELW 660**

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Love. Proclaim. Serve.

C: Thanks be to God.

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Prayer List

Requested: Jeanette (Davisson) Cain, Don Erickson, Jake Noggle, Karen Guyer, Karen Kohls, Ardell Fortune, Julie Albertson, Danice Cummings, Larry Kohls, Terry Cummings, Sarah Updegraff-Murray, Eric Clubb, Bill and Cindy Thias.

Assisted Living, Nursing Homes & Shut-Ins: Betty Erickson, Bud Siebrecht, Karen Follett, Judy Nelson, Madonna Stumme, Doris Guyer.

In the Military: Jeff Kleppe, Nathan Guyer, Kennedy White.

Sunday, November 17, 2024

Loose: \$53.00

Regular: \$3,105.00

Total General Fund: \$3,778.36

Bldg: \$140.00 (Roof-\$90/Reg.-\$50)

Attendance: 65


Basement Rental: \$70.00


Noisy Can: \$550.36


Wed. 11/27	7pm	<i>Thanksgiving Eve Ecumenical Worship @ St. Paul United Methodist Church</i>
Thurs. 11/28	Office Closed	HAPPY THANKSGIVING
Fri. 11/29	Office Closed	
Sun. 12/1	9:30am	1st Sunday of Advent Sunday School Holy Communion
	10:30am	Fellowship
	4pm	Sunday Mtg.




 **Noisy Can Offering** for 4th Quarter will go to Cindy Thias who is battling cancer.

 **Direct Deposit Offering** is available for your weekly/monthly offering. Simply contact the office for account and routing information. It's fast and easy!

 **Country in the Hills, Christmas at the Barn.** Come rummage and gift shop @ the Heritage Farm Park in Clermont on Thurs., Dec. 5th from 4-6pm; Fri., Dec. 6th from 9am-5pm; & Sat., Dec. 7th from 9am-3pm. A *Santa Store* will be set up for the kids to shop for family. Elf helpers will be there to wrap your gift for free. Mom & Dad, Grandma & Grandpa, can join the fun rummaging through the many items for sale in the barn. Both new and used items.

 **SOTH Toy Drive Drop Off** is Dec. 12th & 13th from 9am-4pm @ St. Olaf Auditorium. Currently collecting new toys, gifts, or gift cards thru Dec. 11th. Monetary donations may be made & SOTH staff will purchase gifts. If your family would like to receive gifts, a referral is needed. For questions, call the SOTH office @ 563-783-2409.

 **Thanksgiving Eve Ecumenical Worship is @ St. Paul United Methodist Church** in Elgin on Wed., Nov. 27th @ 7:00pm.



Decorating the Church. Pr. Mike needs your help decorating the church for Christmas on Sat., Nov. 30th @ 10:30am. Helpers will be putting up and decorating our tree and the cross.



SOTH Christmas for Kids is Dec. 18th & 19th @ St. Olaf Auditorium. If your family would like to receive gifts, a referral is needed. For questions, call the SOTH office @ 563-783-2409. They are in need of volunteers for both events. Call same number to help.



Handel's Messiah. If you would like to participate in the 83rd performance of Handel's Messiah, the full practice schedule is on the bulletin board downstairs. Call Mallory Hanson for questions @ 563-379-2193. Performance on Dec. 15th.



The Northern Lights Women's Chorus will present its fall concert at 3pm, **TODAY** at Decorah Lutheran Church. The 49-member ensemble, will perform a variety of beautiful choral music with the theme "*Music is Life.*"



Christmas Giving Tree is up. We are sponsoring 2 families! Please take tags from the tree, purchase the item on the tag, wrap the item with the tag on it, and return it to the tree by Sunday, December 15th.



Hat & Mitten Tree is up. Collection of hats, gloves, mittens, scarfs and socks will go through the Christmas season to be donated to an area charity.



Office Closed on Thurs., Nov. 28th & Fri., Nov. 29th for the Thanksgiving Holiday.



NO QUILTING. Quilters will resume on Tuesday, January 7th. Happy Holidays!



Community Choir is being formed for the *Annual Vesper Service* on Sun., Dec. 8th @ 4:30pm at the Union Sunday School. They will be singing a couple of carols. If interested please contact June Swenson @ 563-419-7898.



Christmas in Clermont



Victorian Christmas at Montauk is Sat., Dec. 7th from 11am-3pm.

Come visit Santa & see the decorated house. Craft a Christmas ornament and enjoy some Christmas goodies.

Annual Vespers Service is Sun., Dec. 8th @ 4:30pm at the Union Sunday School.



Operation Christmas Child Youth Crew

WOW!!! The youth of our congregation packed 150 boxes for Operation Christmas Child. Let's not forget the adults who put a lot of work behind the scenes and everyone who donated items! What an awesome way to start the holiday season!

