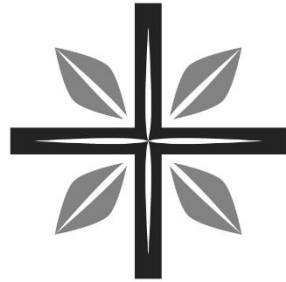




# St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church



## Welcome to our visitors!

- It is our hope and prayer that the message you hear today from God's Word will fill your heart with the peace that only God can offer and the joy we have in knowing that Jesus Christ is our Savior from sin.
- Large print service folders are available from an usher. Assisted listening devices, including both ear bud and loop receivers for digital hearing aids, are also available from an usher.
- Children's service folders and worship notes are available in the round tract rack in the entry area.
- Parents may take small children into the entry area, mother's room (at the back of the church), or nursery (lower level of church) as needed and follow the worship service on the TV monitor. Changing tables are available in the mother's room and in the room adjacent to the nursery.
- Restrooms are located at the far end of the entry area.
- As the offering is received, members and guests are asked to sign the Friendship Register. Please pass the register to your neighbor and then return it to the center aisle. Visitors are also asked to fill out a guest card and give it to an usher.
- Please join us for Bible class at 9:15 a.m.  
*The Last Word on End Times:* Fellowship Hall, lower level of church  
A staffed nursery is available during Bible class.

# Last Judgment

November 9 & 10, 2019

Promises of the End: To everyone who has, more will be given.

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## Prelude

### Opening Hymn

*Please stand to sing the final stanza*

### I Hear the Savior Calling

*Christian Worship 560*

**M:** The grace of our Lord ☩ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

## CONFESSION OF SINS

**M:** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

**C:** **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

**M:** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

**C:** **Amen.**

## PRAAYER AND PRAISE

**M:** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are  
they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -  
ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -  
ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -  
ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.  
Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 4/4. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes, with some phrases spanning across bar lines. The lyrics are aligned with the notes below the staff.

### Prayer of the Day

**M:** Let us pray.

Lord God Almighty, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that we may always look forward to the end of this present evil age and to the day of your righteous judgment. Keep us steadfast in true and living faith and present us at last holy and blameless before you; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

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## THE WORD

### First Lesson

**Ezekiel 9:1-11**

*Ezekiel sees the faithful bearing the mark of deliverance and being spared from judgment.*

Then I heard him call out in a loud voice, “Bring the guards of the city here, each with a weapon in his hand.” And I saw six men coming from the direction of the upper gate, which faces north, each with a deadly weapon in his hand. With them was a man clothed in linen who had a writing kit at his side. They came in and stood beside the bronze altar.

Now the glory of the God of Israel went up from above the cherubim, where it had been, and moved to the threshold of the temple. Then the LORD called to the man clothed in linen who had the writing kit at his side and said to him, “Go throughout the city of Jerusalem and put a mark on the foreheads of those who grieve and lament over all the detestable things that are done in it.”

As I listened, he said to the others, “Follow him through the city and kill, without showing pity or compassion. Slaughter old men, young men and maidens, women and children, but do not touch anyone who has the mark. Begin at my sanctuary.” So they began with the elders who were in front of the temple.

Then he said to them, “Defile the temple and fill the courts with the slain. Go!” So they went out and began killing throughout the city. While they were killing and I was left alone, I fell facedown, crying out, “Ah, Sovereign LORD! Are you going to destroy the entire remnant of Israel in this outpouring of your wrath on Jerusalem?”

He answered me, “The sin of the house of Israel and Judah is exceedingly great; the land is full of bloodshed and the city is full of injustice. They say, ‘The LORD has forsaken the land; the LORD does not see.’ So I will not look on them with pity or spare them, but I will bring down on their own heads what they have done.”

Then the man in linen with the writing kit at his side brought back word, saying, “I have done as you commanded.”

### Psalm of the Day

**Psalm 90 (see pg. 12)**

*God will judge all things in his time.*

### Second Lesson

**2 Thessalonians 1:5-10**

*God’s last judgment will be perfectly just.*

All this is evidence that God’s judgment is right, and as a result you will be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you are suffering. God is just: He will pay back trouble to those who trouble you and give relief to you who are troubled, and to us as well. This will happen when the Lord Jesus is

revealed from heaven in blazing fire with his powerful angels. He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the majesty of his power on the day he comes to be glorified in his holy people and to be marveled at among all those who have believed. This includes you, because you believed our testimony to you.

### Verse of the Day

**M:** Alleluia, alleluia. Watch therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.  
Alleluia.



*Please stand*

### Gospel

**Luke 19:11-27**

*Believers will hear "Well done, good and faithful servant" at the last judgment.*

While they were listening to this, he went on to tell them a parable, because he was near Jerusalem and the people thought that the kingdom of God was going to appear at once. He said: "A man of noble birth went to a distant country to have himself appointed king and then to return. So he called ten of his servants and gave them ten minas. 'Put this money to work,' he said, 'until I come back.'

"But his subjects hated him and sent a delegation after him to say, 'We don't want this man to be our king.'

"He was made king, however, and returned home. Then he sent for the servants to whom he had given the money, in order to find out what they had gained with it.

“The first one came and said, ‘Sir, your mina has earned ten more.’

“ ‘Well done, my good servant!’ his master replied. ‘Because you have been trustworthy in a very small matter, take charge of ten cities.’

“The second came and said, ‘Sir, your mina has earned five more.’

“His master answered, ‘You take charge of five cities.’

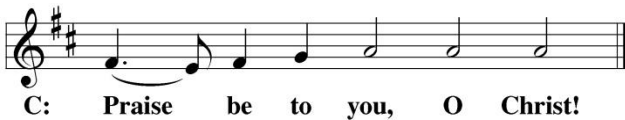
“Then another servant came and said, ‘Sir, here is your mina; I have kept it laid away in a piece of cloth. I was afraid of you, because you are a hard man. You take out what you did not put in and reap what you did not sow.’

“His master replied, ‘I will judge you by your own words, you wicked servant! You knew, did you, that I am a hard man, taking out what I did not put in, and reaping what I did not sow? Why then didn’t you put my money on deposit, so that when I came back, I could have collected it with interest?’

“Then he said to those standing by, ‘Take his mina away from him and give it to the one who has ten minas.’

“ ‘Sir,’ they said, ‘he already has ten!’

“He replied, ‘I tell you that to everyone who has, more will be given, but as for the one who has nothing, even what he has will be taken away. But those enemies of mine who did not want me to be king over them – bring them here and kill them in front of me.’”



*Be seated*

**Hymn of the Day**

**Forth in Your Name, O Lord, I Go**

*Christian Worship 456*

**Sermon**

**Haggai 1:1-11**

**Now is the Time**

In the second year of King Darius, on the first day of the sixth month, the word of the LORD came through the prophet Haggai to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest:

This is what the LORD Almighty says: “These people say, ‘The time has not yet come for the LORD’s house to be built.’”

Then the word of the LORD came through the prophet Haggai: “Is it a time for you yourselves to be living in your paneled houses, while this house remains a ruin?”

Now this is what the LORD Almighty says: “Give careful thought to your ways. You have planted much, but have harvested little. You eat, but never have enough. You drink, but never have your fill. You put on clothes, but are not warm. You earn wages, only to put them in a purse with holes in it.”

This is what the LORD Almighty says: “Give careful thought to your ways. Go up into the mountains and bring down timber and build the house, so that I may take pleasure in it and be honored,” says the LORD. “You expected much, but see, it turned out to be little. What you brought home, I blew away. Why?” declares the LORD Almighty. “Because of my house, which remains a ruin, while each of you is busy with his own house. Therefore, because of you the heavens have withheld their dew and the earth its crops. I called for a drought on the fields and the mountains, on the grain, the new wine, the oil and whatever the ground produces, on men and cattle, and on the labor of your hands.”

*Please stand*

### **Apostles’ Creed**

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.**

**From there 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.**

*Be seated*



# THANKSGIVING

## Offering

*The members of St. John's have joined together to do the Lord's work in our community and around the world, and our offerings are a joyful response of our faith. To submit your offering electronically, scan the QR code or visit [www.sjtosa.org/giving](http://www.sjtosa.org/giving). If you are a visitor today, you are welcome but not obligated to give an offering.*



*Please stand*

## Prayer of the Church

*The minister says the Prayer of the Church*

## Lord's Prayer

**C: Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**

*Be seated*

## Hymn

**The King Will Come at Age's End (see pg. 13)**  
*Christian Worship Supplement 731*

*Please stand*

**M:** Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and ☩ give you peace.



*Be seated*

**Closing Hymn**

**Delay Not! Delay Not!**  
*Christian Worship 337*

**Announcements**

**WELS Connection**

One Africa Team

**Postlude**

*If you do not wish to take your service folder home, please place it in the basket so it can be reused.*

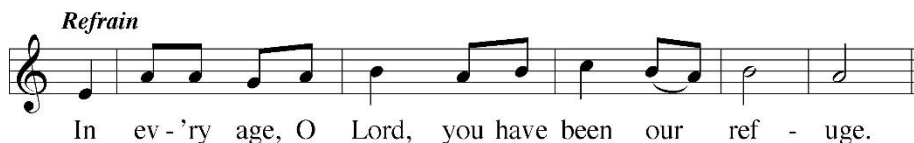
## Serving at Worship

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| <b>Preacher</b>           | Pastor Kyle Bitter  |
| <b>Presiding Minister</b> | Seminary Student Christian Willick (Saturday)<br>Pastor Joel Leyrer (Sunday)  |
| <b>Musician</b>           | Carmen Rupprecht, piano (Saturday)<br>Mandy Treder, organ (Sunday)  |
| <b>Greeters</b>           | Dave & Dana Leyrer, Peter & Sharon Trettin (8:00 a.m.)<br>Ron & Judy Felsing, Holly Curtis, Lorna Leyrer (10:30 a.m.) |
| <b>Head Ushers</b>        | Tom Wessel (Saturday)<br>Mark Meissner (8:00 a.m.)<br>Matt Bahr (10:30 a.m.)  |
| <b>AV Operators</b>       | Dan Schmal (8:00 a.m.)<br>Ben Haferman (10:30 a.m.)   |

## In Our Prayers

- The family and friends of longtime St. John's member Joy Chasty, who went to be with her Lord on Wednesday, October 30, at the age of 97. Her Christian Victory service was held at Mt. Olive in Appleton on Thursday, November 7.
- Kary Ailey, recovering from hand surgery at Froedtert on Friday.

## Psalm 90



Lord, you have been our dwelling place  
throughout all generations.

Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth and the world,  
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

For a thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by,  
or like a watch in the night. **Refrain**

You have set our iniquities before you,  
our secret sins in the light of your presence.

You turn mortals back to dust.  
You sweep them away in the sleep of death.

The length of our days is seventy years – or eighty, if we have the strength;  
yet their span is but trouble and sorrow.

Teach us to number our days aright,  
that we may gain a heart of wisdom. **Refrain**

Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love,  
that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen. **Refrain****

## 731

## The King Will Come at Age's End



1 The King will come at age - 's end,  
 2 The book of life will name its names,  
 3 All - glo - rious on his gleam - ing throne,  
 4 And nights of tears, though late and long,  
 5 A - men, a - men! Lord Je - sus, come!



The trum - pets trill, the heav - ens rend,  
 Each bought by cross - 's bit - ter pain,  
 The King will claim his saints, his own,  
 Will dis - ap - pear in splen - did dawn,  
 My Sav - ior fair, come bear me home.



Un - veil - ing new Je - ru - sa - lem.  
 Each inked in blood and sealed in flame.  
 And with them dwell and make a home.  
 And deeps of death will all be gone.  
 For you are King of kings a - lone!



Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia!  
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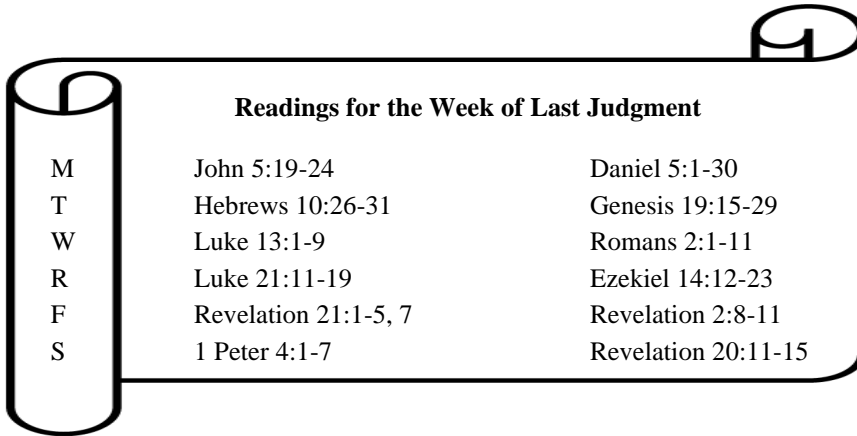
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| <b>Readings for the Week of Last Judgment</b> |                      |                     |
|---|----------------------|---------------------|
| M   | John 5:19-24         | Daniel 5:1-30       |
| T   | Hebrews 10:26-31     | Genesis 19:15-29    |
| W   | Luke 13:1-9          | Romans 2:1-11       |
| R   | Luke 21:11-19        | Ezekiel 14:12-23    |
| F   | Revelation 21:1-5, 7 | Revelation 2:8-11   |
| S   | 1 Peter 4:1-7        | Revelation 20:11-15 |

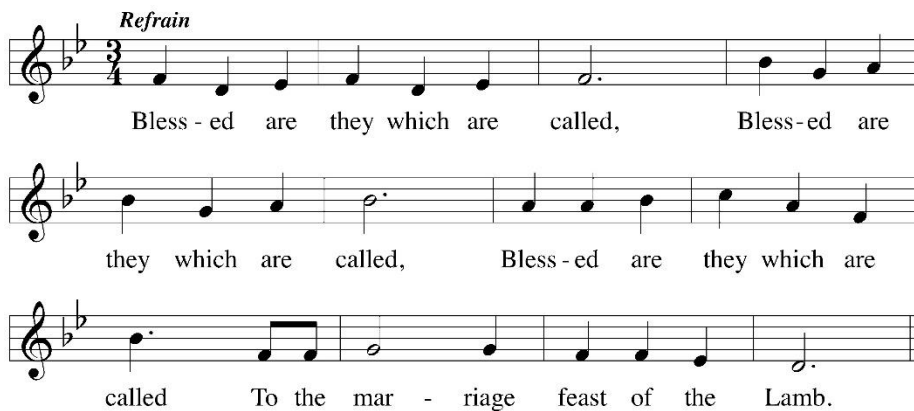
## Parents' Preview for November 17

The Parents' Preview highlights an aspect of next week's service: a liturgical song, a Psalm refrain, or a hymn stanza. Our hope and prayer is that parents will teach this portion of the service to their children at home during the week so that children can participate more fully in the worship service.

### **“Blessed Are They” Refrain**

*Christian Worship Supplement 730*

*Refrain*



Bless - ed are they which are called, Bless - ed are  
they which are called, Bless - ed are they which are  
called To the mar - riage feast of the Lamb.

