



## Divine Worship Service

November 24, 2024

*Last Sunday of the Church Year*

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**“Heaven and earth will pass away,  
but my words will never pass away”**

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**Welcome!**

We are happy that you are with us to hear the Word of God.

**Preparing for Church This Sunday:**

Scripture uses the words 'asleep' and 'awake' in a couple of unique ways. First, let us consider the word 'asleep'. One of the ways Scripture describes one who is asleep is one who is an unbeliever - asleep in their faith. Another way is used in connection to death. One who falls asleep is one who has died. For the believer, this is a powerful concept. We who die in the faith are merely sleeping until Christ returns.

The word 'awake' is mostly used to describe the believer - alert and paying attention to Jesus. When Jesus says to stay awake, He is telling us to keep the faith until the end. This takes endurance, patience, and focus. We are to remain alert because no one knows when Christ will return.



## Welcome - Ringing of the Bell

### *CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION*

#### Opening Hymn 515 Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

### *SERVICE OF THE WORD*

#### Introit

*Psalm 39:4–5a, 7–8, 12a; antiphon: 2 Peter 3:13b NIV*

We are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth,  
the home of righteousness.

O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure of my days;  
let me know how fleeting I am!

Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths,  
and my lifetime is as nothing before you.

And now, O Lord, for what do I wait?  
My hope is in you.

Deliver me from all my transgressions.

Do not make me the scorn of the fool!

Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry;  
hold not your peace at my tears!

**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.**

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the home of righteousness.

## Kyrie

LSB 204

**C** Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

## Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204

**C** 1 To God on high be glory  
And peace to all the earth;  
Goodwill from God in heaven  
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!  
We praise and bless You, Father;  
Your holy name, we sing—  
Our thanks for Your great glory,  
Lord God, our heav'nly King.

2 To You, O sole-begotten,  
The Father's Son, we pray;  
O Lamb of God, our Savior,  
You take our sins away.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus;  
Receive our heartfelt cry,  
Where You in pow'r are seated  
At God's right hand on high—

3 For You alone are holy;  
You only are the Lord.  
Forever and forever,  
Be worshiped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit  
Alone are Lord Most High,  
In God the Father's glory.  
"Amen!" our glad reply.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Old Testament Reading

Daniel 7:9–10, 13–14

<sup>9</sup>As I looked,  
thrones were placed,  
and the Ancient of days took his seat;  
his clothing was white as snow,  
and the hair of his head like pure wool;  
his throne was fiery flames;  
its wheels were burning fire.  
<sup>10</sup>A stream of fire issued  
and came out from before him;  
a thousand thousands served him,  
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him;  
the court sat in judgment,  
and the books were opened. . . .  
<sup>13</sup>I saw in the night visions,  
and behold, with the clouds of heaven  
there came one like a son of man,  
and he came to the Ancient of Days  
and was presented before him.  
<sup>14</sup>And to him was given dominion  
and glory and a kingdom,  
that all peoples, nations, and languages  
should serve him;  
his dominion is an everlasting dominion,  
which shall not pass away,  
and his kingdom one  
that shall not be destroyed.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm

Psalm 93; antiphon: v. 2

<sup>1</sup>The LORD reigns; he is robed in majesty;  
the LORD is robed; he has put on strength as his belt.  
Yes, the world is established;  
it shall never be moved.

**<sup>2</sup>Your throne is established from of old;  
you are from everlasting.**

<sup>3</sup>The floods have lifted up, O LORD,  
the floods have lifted up their voice;  
the floods lift up their roaring.

**<sup>4</sup>Mightier than the thunders of many waters,  
mightier than the waves of the sea,  
the LORD on high is mighty!**

<sup>5</sup>Your decrees are very trustworthy;  
holiness befits your house,  
O LORD, forevermore.

## Second Reading

*Revelation 1:4b–8*

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, <sup>5</sup>and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood <sup>6</sup>and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. <sup>7</sup>Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

<sup>8</sup>"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Just a Little Talk With Jesus - Maker's Dozen

### Alleluia and Verse

**C** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**C** These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

**C** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

### Holy Gospel

*Mark 13:24–37*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>24</sup>[Jesus said:] "In those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, <sup>25</sup>and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. <sup>26</sup>And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. <sup>27</sup>And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

<sup>28</sup>"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. <sup>29</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. <sup>30</sup>Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. <sup>31</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>32</sup>"But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>33</sup>Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. <sup>34</sup>It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. <sup>35</sup>Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when

the cock crows, or in the morning—<sup>36</sup>lest he come suddenly and find you asleep.  
<sup>37</sup>And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **Apostles' Creed – Back Cover of Hymnal**

### **Children's Message**

**Sermon Hymn 516 Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying – to be sung during the Sermon**

**Sermon**      *"Stay Awake"*

*Mark 13:24-37*

### **Offering**

**Offertory - We Give Thee But Thine Own**

**We give Thee but Thine own,  
Whate'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone,  
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.**

### **Prayer of the Church**

**P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** ... one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

### **Lord's Prayer**

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

### **Collect**

**A** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

### **Benedicamus**

*LSB 212*

**A** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### **Benediction**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** **Amen.**

### **Closing Hymn 816 From All That Dwell Below the Skies**

Go in Peace and Serve the Lord ... **Thanks be to God!**

## *SERVING US TODAY*

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### *Sermon Notes - 11-24-24*

Where in the sermon did you hear the **Law** – bringing up the sinful nature of mankind and our need for a Savior?

Where in the sermon did you hear the **Gospel** – what God has done to free us from the troubles of the Law?

Where in the sermon did you hear the **Application** of God's Word for us – what actions should we take in response to God's grace toward us?