Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Worship Guide

Service of Holy Communion



"Jesus: The Lamb of God"

October 17, 2021

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WELCOME FROM PASTOR JACK

CHILDREN'S SERMON

+HYMN Blessing and Honor

- Blessing and honor and glory and pow'r, wisdom and riches and strength evermore, offer to him who our battle has won, whose are the kingdom, the crown, and the throne; whose are the kingdom, the crown, and the throne!
- 4 Give we the glory and praise to the Lamb! Take we the robe and the harp and the psalm; sing we the song of the Lamb who was slain, dying in weakness and rising to reign; dying in weakness and rising to reign!

SALUTATION

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.

+ PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P: Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C: Amen.

SHARING OF THE ASSIGNED SCRIPTURE READINGS

Hebrews 5:1-10

Using imagery from scripture and from Jewish worship practices, Jesus is presented as the great high priest who was obedient to God's saving plan. Through his suffering and death he has become the source of eternal salvation.

¹Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; ³and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. ⁴And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son,

today I have begotten you";

⁶as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever,

according to the order of Melchizedek."

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Mark 10:35-45

On the way to Jerusalem the disciples ask Jesus to grant them seats of honor. Jesus responds by announcing that he and his followers will "rule" through self-giving service.

³⁵James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." ³⁶And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" ³⁷And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." ³⁸But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" ³⁹They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

⁴¹When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴²So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

SERMON "Jesus: The Lamb of God" Part 3 of a four-part sermon series "The Lordship of Christ"

CHOIR ANTHEM "Exaltation"

HYMN OF THE DAY In the Cross of Christ I Glory

- In the cross of Christ I glory, tow'ring o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.
- 2 When the woes of life o'ertake me, hopes deceive, and fears annoy, never shall the cross forsake me; lo, it glows with peace and joy.

+THE PRAYERS

- P: Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God's creation. *A brief silence.*
- P: Holy One, for the gift of the church handed down through the ages and for all who carry on the servant ministry of Jesus, we praise you. Send your Holy Spirit upon all who are discerning calls to ministry in its many forms and equip them with your gifts. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Creating One, for the lush and abundant habitat you provide for all your creatures, we praise you. Provide healing for the earth so that waterfowl, reptiles, wild horses, dolphins, and all living things flourish as you intend. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Suffering One, for all who work toward peace and who lead nations with a servant's heart, we praise you. Bring justice for all who suffer violence, persecution, discrimination, hunger, poverty, and homelessness, and create places of refuge for all people. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

- P: Merciful One, for all who do the work of healing in mind, body, and spirit, we praise you. Surround and comfort all who struggle with depression, anxiety, cancer, diabetes, dementia, or any illness (*especially*), that all may be healed. Hear us, O God.
- C: Your mercy is great.
- P: Sustaining One, for all who volunteer for the vitality of this congregation, we praise you. Strengthen and encourage greeters, ushers, office volunteers, bakers, counters, committee and group leaders, teachers, students, evangelists, singers, builders, nurturers, and all who serve with generous hearts. Hear us, O God.
- C: Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P: Risen One, we thank you for those who have shaped your church and shared your gospel. Through the witness of your saints (*especially Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch*), continue to inspire us with hope until we all are gathered at your eternal feast. Hear us, O God.
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- P: Confident that you hear us, O God, we boldly place our prayers into your hands; through Jesus Christ, our truth and life.
- C: Amen.

EXCHANGE OF PEACE:

- P: The peace of the Lord be with you always
- C: And also with you

(Please wave to your nearest worship neighbors) OFFERING PRAYER

P: God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

(Offering baskets will not be passed around. At the conclusion of the service, please place your offering in designated baskets in the rear of the sanctuary.)

THE 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION "In the night in which he was betrayed..."

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

+ POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Lord of life,

in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

+ BENEDICTION

P: People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, + one God, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

+ SENDING HYMN My Faith Looks Up to Thee

- My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away, oh, let me from this day be wholly thine!
- 2 May thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire; as thou hast died for me, oh, may my love to thee pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

+THE DISMISSAL

- P: Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Weekly Announcements

Lector: Marga Conn Music Director: Chad Flynn Video: Don Gulliksen

The Congregation Meeting is Coming Soon! Mark your calendars for Sunday, November 7, immediately following the worship service. At this meeting we will adopt the proposed 2022 spending plan (budget) and elect or re-elect members to serve on our congregation Council. For more information contact Joan Cosgrove at <u>kikkired@verizon.net</u> or call 973-691-1705.

Our Women's Sunday is slated for November 7. Members of our women's group (WELCA) will lead the liturgy, and one of Ruth Ann Greiner's inspirational plays will be presented. You won't want to miss this! For more information contact Marga Conn at <u>tantemarga@outlook.com</u> or call 475-330-4128.

Our Annual Coat Drive in Underway. Please donate new or gently used coats to support recipients at Morristown's Market Street Mission. No wind breakers please! Just winter coats. For more information contact Erin Osterhout at 973-615-1026 or <u>eosterhout@optonline.net</u>

Coffee Hour help needed. Many say we have the best post-worship coffee hours in Morris County! But your help is needed. Please consider donating refreshments, coffee, milk, sugar to help feed the multitude. Thank you!

We are pleased to introduce new video monitors to our sanctuary experience. The work is not yet complete...soon we will enjoy visual aides to enliven our experience and highlight Bible verses. Keep on the lookout for ways we'll utilize these monitors.

Sunday school has officially resumed for the academic year. For more information, please contact Erin Osterhout at 973-615-1026 or <u>eosterhout@optonline.net</u> As in the past, children will start each Sunday with a children's message from Pastor Jack in the sanctuary, then they will proceed to their classrooms for activities/instruction.

Volunteers are needed to count the offering after church on Sunday mornings. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer please contact Joan Cosgrove at (973-691-1705) or speak to her in church. No experience necessary!

Lectors (readers on Sunday mornings) are needed and appreciated. Read the assigned Scripture for the day! Sign up sheets are located in the rear of the sanctuary, or ask Pastor Jack for details: jackspartan79@gmail.com

Food Collections. Please note: Please donate only NON-PERISHABLE food items. Do not drop off milk, bread, or various dairy products as these items may spoil prior to public distribution.

Did you know...approximately two hundred viewers "tune in" each week through our internet streaming of the worship experience. We are reaching viewers as far as Texas, Florida, the Carolinas, Tennessee, Maine and now China! Thanks to modern technology we are living out Jesus' great commission to proclaim God's Word near and far (see Matthew 28). All liturgical wording for our worship services comes from the national office of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) and is the standard recommended Lutheran liturgy for all Lutheran congregations across the United States.

Lunch & Learn Adult Bible Study will be offered again on October 20th. This popular series meets on the first and third Wednesdays of each month in the choir room. Join us at noon...bring a bag lunch. Physical distancing and facial coverings will be mandatory. For those unable or uncomfortable attending in person, the Bible study will be live streamed through the ZOOM format. Please contact Pastor Jack (jackspartan79@gmail.com) about the ZOOM link.

Clothing Donations: Please DO NOT drop off clothing at our church vestibule or lobby area. Instead, please place all donated articles in the RED BIN in the rear parking lot of the church. Shoes, handbags, stuffed toys, and linens are accepted as well! For more information, contact Ellen Crane at 973-625-1353.

Want to give electronically? 40% of our offerings now come in via electronic giving sources. To learn more, simply go to our web page at <u>www.rockawaylutheran.org</u> and click on the "donate" button. . . then follow the simple instructions. Still not sure? Please contact Donna Gulliksen at: <u>Donna.Gulliksen@gmail.com</u> or call her at 973-697-1895. Regular offerings (with date and frequency of your choice) as well as one-time gifts can be established electronically. All transactions are confidential.

Upcoming Events

Wed., Oct. 20	Lunch & Learn Bible Study – noon
Thurs., Oct. 21	RISE UP Community Meeting – 7:00pm
Tues., Oct. 26	Church Council – 7:00pm
Sun., Oct. 31	Reformation Sunday
Sun., Nov. 7	Women's Sunday & Annual Mtg.
Sat., Dec. 4	Annual Community Christmas Bazaar & Santa Visit

New Sermon Series for October:

"The Lordship of Christ"

Exploring the New Testament Book of Hebrews



The New Testament Book of Hebrews first circulated publicly around 70 A.D. The early manuscripts of the Gospels of Mark and Matthew were shared at about the same time. Here, in Hebrews, the lordship of Christ is emphasized, and Christians can rest assured that they are in the saving graces of Jesus.

10/3 -	Part 1 - "Jesus: The Co-Creator of the Universe"
10/10 -	Part 2 - "Jesus: The Lord of Mercy and Grace"
10/17-	Part 3 - "Jesus: The Lamb of God"
10/24-	Part 4 - "Jesus: The Eternal Savior"

Discover what these passages mean for everyday Christian life!

Market Street Mission's Annual Coat Giveaway

If you would like to donate a coat , hat, gloves or scarf for men, women, or children in need --please bring it to our Sunday School classroom. Donations accepted 9/26 through 10/17. The giveaway will take place on Saturday 11/6 in Morristown.



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