

November

IN NOMINE JESU CHRISTI

*Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voices,
Who Wondrous things has done, In whom His world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms Has blest us on our way
With countless gifts of love And still is ours today.*

Martin Luther in his explanation of the Second Commandment gives us this: *“We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks,”*

We all of use say, *“I love God. And I thank Him with all my heart.”* Yet, gratitude, thanksgiving is often a very ephemeral and passing virtue in us. We know that all good and all the wonderful things of this world are God's creation and for our benefit and for that we are to be grateful. In fact, as even the ancient pagan Cicero understands, *“gratitude is the mother of virtues, the most capital of all duties.”* And we may use the words grateful and good as synonymous terms. God is good. He gives all good things. We are grateful for all His good in our lives.

The question is, how do we exercise the duty and necessity of gratitude in our relationship with God? God would have us to remember His great love to us in Christ Jesus our Lord. Our gratitude is anchored firmly in the grace and mercy of God who sent our Savior Jesus. In Him, we have eternal life, the forgiveness of sins. For such an inheritance we are bound to give thanks.

Very sadly, we so very often exercise our gratitude very sparingly. When our lives are full of apparent blessings we are happy to say, *“Thanks be to God.”* When our lives are full of stress and disappointment, our gratitude is muted. We even question God's love and grace and mercy in Christ. We fail to remember our foremost needs all covered in the blood of Jesus. In that forgetfulness, then, we fail to *“Pray, praise, and give thanks.”* We even absent ourselves from the saving Word of Christ and His body and blood, as if forgiveness and eternal life are not important.

There is a very good way for use to remember God's goodness, His mercy and grace in Christ, and every good and precious gift we receive day by day. Hear His Word of love. *“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, Rejoice . . . The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made know to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”*

In other words, et the Holy Spirit's constant presence direct your steps to where you receive the gifts of God, the Divine Services of CTK. You will receive the strength and power to give God all the praise, to pray as you ought, and to truly thank God for all His mercy in Christ Jesus your Lord. Happy Thanksgiving! Pastor Loewe

Dearest Friends of Christ the King,

In the Divine Service of Jesus Christ to His Christ the King people we receive the incalculable benefits of forgiveness, eternal life, and strength for "Today." This Service takes place every week in the Services of Christ the King. We have very grand and important facets of the Gospel to consider as we finish the current Church Year and enter into the "festival" half of our new Church Year with Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany. This Year of the Lord 2022-2023 our Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany considerations will feature sermons and messages from the Old Testament and from the Epistle lessons of the day, please make sure to come and hear the Gospel of your freedom in Christ every week. Everyone needs the Gospel, so please make sure to bring your family, friends, children and grandchildren. You will be blessed!

Sundays in Advent, Christmas, Epiphany through Transfiguration
 Sermon Texts & Titles
 December 1, 2024 - March 2, 2025

December 1 1 st Sunday in Advent <i>Your Redemption is Drawing Near</i> Luke 21:25-36	December 4 Mid-Week Advent <i>Wonderful Counselor</i>	December 8 2 nd Sunday in Advent <i>The Salvation of God</i> Luke 3:1-20	December 11 Mid-Week Advent <i>Mighty God</i>
December 15 3 rd Sunday in Advent <i>Good News for the Poor</i> Luke 7:18-35	December 18 Mid-Week Advent <i>Everlasting Father</i>	December 22 4 th Sunday in Advent <i>Blessed is She who Believed</i> Luke 1:39-45	
	December 29 1 st Sunday after Christmas <i>Mine Eyes Have Seen Thy Salvation</i> Luke 2:22-40	December 31 7 pm New Years Eve <i>Endings and Beginnings</i> Isaiah 51:4-6	January 5 2 nd Sunday after Christmas <i>Where to Look for Jesus</i> Luke 2:40-52
January 6 7 pm The Epiphany of Our Lord <i>Gold and Frankincense and Myrrh</i> Matthew 2:1-12	January 12 The Baptism of Our Lord <i>Baptized with the Holy Spirit and with Fire</i> Luke 3:15-22	January 19 2 nd Sunday after Epiphany <i>The Wedding Feast at Cana</i> John 2:1-11	January 26 3 rd Sunday after Epiphany <i>Scripture Fulfilled in Your Hearing</i> Luke 4:16-30
February 2 4 th Sunday after Epiphany <i>The Purification of Mary and the Presentation of our Lord</i> <i>Faith and Faithfulness</i> 1 Samuel 1:21-28	February 9 5 th Sunday after Epiphany <i>Jesus Nets a Sinner</i> Luke 5:1-11	February 16 6 th Sunday after Epiphany <i>Blessings and Woes</i> Luke 6:17-26	February 23 7 th Sunday after Epiphany <i>The Measure You Use</i> Luke 6:27-38

March 2
 The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Crosses Taken Up
 Luke 9:28-36

The Lutheran Hour is aired each Sunday at 7 a.m. on WPOS-FM (102.3) or you can visit RealAudio on the Internet at www.lhm.org. During November we invite you to tune in to hear the following topics:

November 3

"Working the System"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

God's Law--a "system" that keeps the world from flying apart while it also shows us we need the Savior Who came to live, suffer, and rise for us. (Genesis 33:8)

November 10

"My Name Is Now Yours"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Daniel Paavola

God comes to renew us with His forgiving love, rename us in Baptism, and remain with us through His Word. (Genesis 35:10-11)

November 17

"Album-Worthy"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

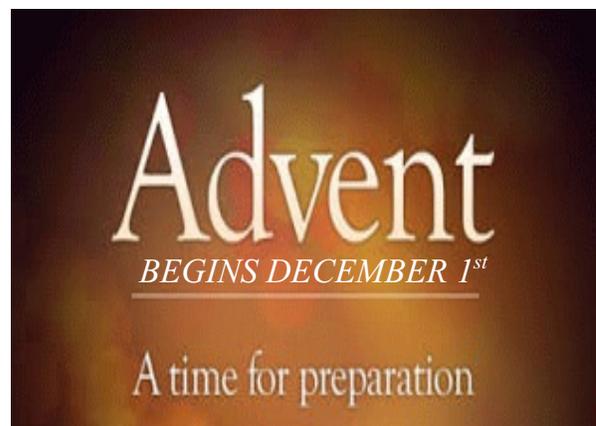
If everything you've ever thought or done was captured in a photo, how many of them would you save for all to see? Hear how God redeems all our snapshots--even those that don't seem "album-worthy." (Genesis 35:3)

November 24

"Jesus Sees What's in the Heart"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Hector Hoppe

Jesus sees what's in our hearts. What's in His heart? God saw that we needed a Savior. (Mark 12:41-44)



SERVICES

November 3

ALL SAINTS DAY

MUSIC SOS
 I-TEC Dave Mulligan
 DEACONS Dave Mulligan & Tom Miazgowicz
 ALTAR CARE Dottie & Misty Mulligan

November 10

MUSIC Reverend Ron Diener
 I-TEC Dave Mulligan
 DEACONS Keith Fischer & Jay Reaume
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November 24

Christ the King Sunday

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November 27

Thanksgiving Eve

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Birthdays

Anniversaries

- 2 Carla Prenkert
- 5 Jennifer Prenkert
- 5 Ed Meggitt
- 7 Margaret Dumkow
- 10 Ann Littrell
- 12 Bob & Pat Haupt
- 13 Melody Garay
- 14 Kathy Parisien
- 15 Mark W. Prenkert
- 17 Audra VanBrandt
- 17 Emily Stepp
- 20 James & Kay Donbrock
- 26 Adrianna VanBrandt
- 27 Matt & Audra VanBrandt
- 27 Cherie Johnson
- 28 Cynthia Higgins



