WORSHIP DETAILS

Service of the Word, pg. 38 Hymns: 9, 2, 25, 1 Psalm 25

First Lesson: Jeremiah 33:14-16

¹⁴ "'The days are coming,' declares the LORD, 'when I will fulfill the good promise I made to the people of Israel and Judah.

¹⁵ "'In those days and at that time
I will make a righteous Branch sprout from David's line; he will do what is just and right in the land.
¹⁶ In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety.
This is the name by which it will be called: The LORD Our Righteous Savior.'

Second Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

⁹ How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you? ¹⁰ Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you again and supply what is lacking in your faith.

¹¹ Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus clear the way for us to come to you. ¹² May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you. ¹³ May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.

Gospel Lesson: Luke 21:25-36

²⁵ "There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea. ²⁶ People will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world, for the heavenly bodies will be shaken. ²⁷ At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸ When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

²⁹ He told them this parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees. ³⁰ When they sprout leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is near. ³¹ Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that the kingdom of God is near.

³² "Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. ³³ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

³⁴ "Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you suddenly like a trap. ³⁵ For it will come on all those who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶ Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man."



ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU: Thank you to Pastor Wayne Shevey for sharing God's word with us this weekend!

ALTAR FLOWERS: This weekend's altar flowers are given by Terry & Cheryl Konell and Brandy & Julie Drum, in remembrance of Sandra Desotell's one year anniversary in heaven.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE: If you have not already done so, please check your church mailboxes for a stewardship update letter from the Church Council.

NO ADULT BIBLE CLASS/SUNDAY SCHOOL: There will be no Adult Bible Class or Sunday School this Sunday, November 28th for the Thanksgiving weekend. Classes will resume on Sunday, December 5th.

PASTOR CALL RETURNED: Pastor Stelter has returned the call to St. Paul's. We received this letter from him: Dear brothers and sisters for whom our Savior gave his life, I have decided to return the call to serve as your pastor at St. Paul's. It was not a decision made easily. From what I can see, it appears that the Lord has given you a wonderful harvest field in which to work. I would have counted it a privilege to work by your side. At the same time, there were issues here in our congregation at present that pulled me very strongly. I am thankful to have had the opportunity to consider your call. I wish you all God's blessings as you wait for God's timing and the shepherd of his choosing to assist with the important work that you are doing in Franklin. In Christ, Pastor John Stelter

We will be setting a new Call Meeting date after the Christmas season. The Synod has set a policy that there is a calling hiatus from December 17-January 7. Since we are entering a very busy time of the year for all congregations and pastors, it would be difficult for a pastor to make a decision during this time. I (Pastor Adams) support this decision. Once a new date is set, we will communicate that to the congregation. Thanks for your support through this process.

CHRISTMAS CHURCH DECORATING: Do you love to decorate for the holidays? If so, we are looking for you! We'd like to find a small group of people that would like to decorate the church for Christmas! Decorating would take place on Sunday December 5th at 12:00 PM. If you are willing to help, please sign up on the narthex counter!

HOLIDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE: During the upcoming holiday season there are many opportunities for worship! Please join us!

Advent Service – Wednesday, December 8th at 6:30 PM (dinner at 5:00 PM)

Children's Christmas Service (K5-Grade 8) – Sunday, December 19th at 4:30 PM

Preschool & Junior Kindergarten Christmas Service – Thursday, December 23rd at 11:00 AM

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service – Friday, December 24th at 4:30 PM

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service – Friday, December 24th at 10:00 PM

Christmas Day Service – Saturday, December 25th at 10:00 AM

Worship Service – Sunday, December 26th at **9:00 AM** (one service only)

New Year's Eve Service – Friday, December 31st at 6:30 PM

Worship Service with Communion – Sunday, January 2nd at **9:00 AM** (one service only)

MARY MARTHA COOKIE SALE: A signup sheet is located in the narthex at church for anyone in the congregation who is interested in making Christmas cookies for the annual Mary & Martha cookie sale. Please consider baking a batch of cookies (100 cookies if possible) for this sale. Please have your cookies labeled "Mary & Martha cookie sale" and dropped off at church by 9:00 AM Saturday December 11. Anyone from St Paul's is welcome to come and help pack the cookie boxes on Saturday December 11 at 9 AM. The sale will take place after each service on Sunday and Monday, December 12 and 13. The proceeds from this sale benefit the ongoing work of the Mary and Martha Society and their support of missions.

MIDWEEK ADVENT WORSHIP SERVICE & MEAL: On Wednesday, December 8th we will be having our only Midweek Advent worship service at 6:30 PM. The Board of Elders will also be serving a meal prior to the service beginning at 5:00pm. If you would like to attend the meal, please use the sign-up sheet on the narthex counter or sign up online <u>here</u>. Please sign up by Monday, November 29th.

PRESCHOOL POWER HOUR: Preschool Power Hour is back -- open to infants through age 4, along with their caregivers. Join us for songs, stories and lots of fun! We meet in the church narthex from 10:30-11:30 a.m. each Thursday that school is in session! There are flyers on the narthex counter with more information. Everyone is welcome, so tell your friends!

JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL: What's been happening so far in Sunday School? Think ukulele and handbell music time, camp song singing and actions, crafts, a fun magic trick with spiritual message, a class game and toys, snacks and of course the most important part, God's Word to feed our souls. You'll never be too sure what we'll being doing next, but we hope you can join us every Sunday at 9 in between the church services in the Sunday School Room. Ages 3 to 6th grade are welcome; AND what a great way to also invite a friend who doesn't go to St. Paul's so they can hear about how Jesus loves them too! There's something for everyone! Any questions, please feel free to contact Kristal Young at 414-325-6976 or kristal@kristalcleargraphics.com.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY: God's people want to tell others about the peace, joy and forgiveness they have in Jesus. But many Christians are unsure how to do this. This Bible Study called, "Let's Go!," is designed to encourage and equip Christians to become more comfortable and confident witnesses. In order to do that, we need to understand the culture that we live in today. "Let's Go" is designed to encourage and equip Christians to connect unchurched people in their lives to the gospel of Jesus Christ. Join us as we learn some simple, practical ways to reach out to the lost souls God has brought into our lives. We meet each Sunday at 9:15am in the bible classroom.

SENIOR CHOIR: Members of St. Paul's, Scripture encourages us to "sing to the Lord a new song." After a prolonged break, the Senior Choir is beginning rehearsals for the 2021-2022 season and you are invited to join us as we raise our voices in praise to God. We will be rehearsing in a socially distanced manner and our rehearsals will be limited to 45 minutes. Please note that due to demands on my schedule, the choir will be rehearsing on the 1st, 3rd, and occasional 5th Tuesday of each month from 6:30 - 7:15 pm. Please note this is different than in the past. I encourage you to come and check us out. If you have any questions, feel free to contact David Brightsman (414.559.9059 or david.brightsman@wlc.edu).

LUTHERAN CHORALE: After a year and a half hiatus due to the pandemic, the Lutheran Chorale will once again be presenting a concert, "Light from Light: A Prelude to Christmas Hymn Festival". This concert will be presented at Trinity Lutheran Church in Waukesha on Sunday, November 28th at 2:00 PM. It will also be live-streamed at <u>www.lutheranchorale.org</u>.

CHRISTMAS AT WISCO: This Christmas season, the fine arts department at Wisconsin Lutheran High School will be providing three opportunities to attend sacred and secular music concerts.

Winter Band Concert • Sunday, December 5, at 3:00 p.m.—featuring Concert Band. Tap your toes to secular Christmas tunes as well as familiar sacred pieces. Admission is free.

Sacred Christmas Choral Concert • **Sunday, December 12, at 7:00 p.m.**—featuring A Cappella, Freshman Choirs, Inspiration, and numerous instrumentalists. Admission is free, and a freewill offering will be taken during the concert.

Winter Chamber Ensembles Concert • Saturday, December 18, at 7:00 p.m.—featuring small ensembles such as Wisco Kids, Inspiration Vocal Jazz, Jazz Ensemble, Jubilation Handbells, brass, woodwind, percussion, and more! Enjoy the secular and sacred Christmas tunes of the season. Admission is free.

ALTAR GUILD

Nov 24-30 – TEAM #1 – Beverly Garves, Sherry Kosovich, Vanessa McKee Dec 1-7 – TEAM #2 – Jane Koplein, Joan Shevey, Rebecca Kragh

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE

Nov 28: Set-up – Pete & Sherry Kosovich, Clean-up – Beverly Garves Dec 5: Set-up – Don & Marge Gebert, Clean-up – Beverly Garves

THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 28	
Worship Service	8:00 AM
Worship Service	10:30 AM
Monday, November 29	
Worship Service	6:30 PM
Tuesday, November 30	
Public School Confirmation Class	6:00 PM
Sunday, December 5	
Worship Service with Communion	8:00 AM
Adult Bible Study/Sunday School	
Worship Service with Communion	10:30 AM
Church Christmas Decorating	

Statistics – Last Week

Attendance: 8:00 AM – 52, Communed – 49 10:30 AM – 154, Communed – 66 6:30 PM – 23, Communed – 21 Total Attendance – 229 Total Communed – 136